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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SOUTH AFRICA**

AND

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF
DENMARK**

ON

**RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY
EFFICIENCY**

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark, (hereinafter jointly referred to as the “Parties” and separately as a “Party”);

DESIRING to strengthen the friendly relations between the Parties;

EXPRESSING mutual interest in developing co-operation in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency;

UNDERSTANDING the importance of determining the spheres of co-operation in these fields as well as ways and mechanisms of implementation in the interests of both Parties, their economic wellbeing and strengthening positive tendencies in the world economy;

NOTING the Declaration of Intent concluded between the Parties on Co-operation in the fields of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency on 23 of January 2009;

BELIEVING that such co-operation shall promote further development and enhance the existing friendly relations between the Parties;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

PURPOSE

- (1) The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “this MOU”) is to facilitate-
 - (a) the development and implementation in the Republic of South Africa of projects with the participation of Danish entities, within the framework of the this MOU; and
 - (b) the co-operation and the provision of technical expertise on the focal fields identified by the Danish Government.

- (2) The projects identified will be designed to contribute to sustainable development in the Republic of South Africa and will warrant solid co-operation conducive to implementing these projects.

ARTICLE 2

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

- (1) The Competent Authorities responsible for coordinating all co-operation programmes entered into under this MOU shall be –
 - (a) in the case of the Republic of South Africa, the Department of Energy; and
 - (b) in the case of the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark, the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Building.
- (2) The Competent Authorities shall be responsible for the –
 - (a) identification of programmes and projects and implementing agencies for approval by the Parties;
 - (b) review of progress in the implementation of this MOU and report back to the Parties;
 - (c) evaluation of programmes or projects and reporting of the results and recommendations to the Parties; and
 - (d) consideration of any other aspects relevant to the promotion of bilateral co-operation in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency.

ARTICLE 3

SCOPE

- (1) The Parties shall promote co-operation and development of projects in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency through -
 - (a) the exchange of information pertaining to the Parties' overall renewable energy and energy efficiency policies, institutional agreements, regulatory framework, technology transfer, research and development and establishment of databanks;
 - (b) the exchange of information on government programmes of commercialization, distribution and market potential of renewable energy and energy efficiency;
 - (c) identifying and developing co-operative projects between the Parties as well as third parties in-
 - (i) energy efficiency in the end-use sector (industry and buildings);
 - (ii) wind energy, including wind resource mapping and integration of wind energy to the grid;
 - (iii) developing and implementations plan for renewable energy; and
 - (iv) any other renewable energy and energy efficiency projects agreed to by the Parties;
 - (d) the exchange of visits by policy-makers and technical experts responsible for the development and implementation of national renewable energy and energy efficiency policies;
 - (e) the promotion of specialised training in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency for experts from both countries;
 - (f) the promotion of joint-collaboration between renewable energy and energy efficiency related state owned companies, as well as endorsement and assistance in the establishment of partnerships within the various fields of the renewable energy and energy efficiency among the relevant companies of both countries for the harmonious transfer of knowledge;