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Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Ministry of Environment

Date: 1/10/2020

To: His Excellency the Minister of Water and Irrigation

Subject: The National Carrier Project

Greetings,

With reference to your letter No. 1259/39/5/1 dated 28/09/2020 regarding the National Carrier Project:

We kindly inform you that the aforementioned project requires the preparation of a comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study. It is essential that the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority (ASEZA) reviews the project to define the specific environmental requirements for the components that fall within its jurisdiction.

With utmost respect,

Minister of Environment and Acting Minister of Agriculture

Dr. Mohammad Al-Khashashneh  
(Signed and stamped)

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Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Ministry of Water and Irrigation

Date: 28/9/2020

To: His Excellency, Minister of Environment

Subject: Assigning the Consultant to Carry Out the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Study

Greetings,

With reference to our previous correspondence No. 1/5/29/999 dated 09/08/2020 concerning the assignment of the consultant to carry out the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) study:

Please find attached the project description for the Aqaba-Amman Desalination and National Water Carrier Project (referred to as the National Carrier Project – TA2017141), dated 15/09/2020. We kindly request that you provide us with the Ministry's environmental requirements for the project, given the limited time available to complete all necessary preparations ahead of the tendering procedures, which are expected to launch on 29/10/2020.

We would like to inform you that the ESIA study for the project is funded by the European Investment Bank (EIB), and will be conducted by WYG International B.V. as the lead international consultant, in partnership with Engicon as the local consultant.

With appreciation and respect,  
Minister of Water and Irrigation  
Eng. Raed Abu Saud  
(Signed and stamped)

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Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Ministry of Environment

Dated: 1/7/2021

To: Al-Mustashar Engineering Company

Greetings,

With reference to the letter of His Excellency, the Minister of Water and Irrigation, No. 1/5/39/870/1/٢ dated 21/06/2021 and the attached draft of the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the National Conveyor Project (Aqaba–Amman), submitted to the Ministry of Water and Irrigation:

We hereby approve the proposed Terms of Reference for the study, subject to coordination with the General Department of Antiquities in regard to the proposed project route and its proximity to archaeological areas. This approval is based on the recommendation of the Environmental Impact Assessment Committee.

With utmost respect,

Minister of Environment

Eng. Mohammad Al-Khashashneh

(Signed and stamped)