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To All: Registered Persons, Voluntary Associations, Higher Education Institutions and Municipalities

ECSA NOTIFICATION ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF ENGINEERING WORK (IDoEW)

The Engineering Profession Act, Act 46 of 2000, is one of the fundamental pieces of legislation upon which ECSA is founded. This legislative framework enjoins Council, among other things, to consult voluntary associations, any person, anybody or industry *"that may be affected by any laws regulating the built environment professions regarding the identification of the type of engineering work which may be performed by persons registered in any of the categories as referred to in section 18 of the same Act, including work which may fall within the scope of any other profession regulated by the professions' Acts referred to in the Council for the Built Environment Act, 2000"*

The IDoEW was gazetted in 2021 following the gazetting of the Identification of Work (IDoW) for all the Built Environment Professions by the Council for the Built Environment (CBE). The objective of the IDoEW is to demarcate work for registered professionals in various registration categories, including Professional Engineers, Professional Engineering Technologists, Professional Certificated Engineers, Professional Engineering Technicians, and Specified Category Practitioners. This ensures that the engineering sector will be serviced by professionally registered persons, who operate within the codes of conduct and practice, and are accountable for the solutions they provide for the benefit of the profession and the public at large.

The Engineering Council of South Africa commenced with stakeholder consultations on the IDoEW from July 2021 to 31 March 2023. The IDoEW consultation period was extended by an additional two years from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2025 aligning it with the professionalisation of the public sector framework published by the South African Government in October 2022. To date, 14 out of 17 stakeholders identified, have been

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consulted. These consultations are aimed at government departments and state-owned entities to provide essential support for compliance with the professionalisation of the public sector framework.

The Council has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Municipal Infrastructure Support Agent (MISA) and is in the process of concluding another one with the South African Local Government Association (SALGA) to achieve buy-in from all the municipalities.

ECSA has also held numerous engagements with the Competition Commission of South Africa to resolve outstanding matters. The two organisations have agreed that the IDoEW gazette remain on the Council's website until all the consultations have been concluded.

This notice serves as ECSA's official communication to the engineering fraternity that the Identification of Engineering Work will be operational and thus enforceable effective 01 April 2025. In this vein, all affected stakeholders, unregistered persons, entities, municipalities, and employers of engineering practitioners are urged to use the next twelve (12) months to develop and submit plans and timelines demonstrating how they will comply with the IDoEW. Please use <u>rpsdservices@ecsa.co.za</u> to send your plans. ECSA is available to provide all the necessary guidance and assistance where required.

ECSA is hereby calling upon the engineering fraternity to join hands together with ECSA, in this endeavour and ensure that professionalisation of the sector takes place within the broader parameters of the Cabinet approved Framework towards the professionalisation of the Public Sector and the ECSA's Identification of Engineering Work.

Regards

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