CONSTRUCTION WORK ON MHI SITES

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Introduction - Construction Life Cycle

| SACPCMP | SACAP | SACLAP | SACQSP | ECSA | SACPVP |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| PM/CMP/Pr CHSA/PrCHS M/CHSO | Architects | Landscape Architects | Quantity Surveyors | Engineers | Property Valuers |

- Stage 1 Project Initiation and Briefing
- Stage 2 Concept and Feasibility
- Stage 3 Design Development
- Stage 4 Tender Documentation and Procurement
- Stage 5 Construction Documentation and Management
- Stage 6 Project Close Out

Section 20 of the CBE Act (43 of 2000) – Identification of Work

Notification of Construction Work

- Annexure 1 Application for a permit
- Annexure 2 7 day notification

*MHI sites are not exempted from Annexure 2!!!

Construction Work

- Means any work* in connection with –
- (a) The construction, erection, alteration, renovation, repair, demolition or dismantling of or addition to a <u>building</u> or any similar <u>structure</u>
- (b) The construction, erection, alteration, renovation, repair, demolition or dismantling of any bridge, dam, canal, road, railway, runway, sewer or water reticulation system; or the moving of earth, clearing of land, the making of <u>excavation</u>, piling, or any similar civil engineering structure or type of work

Building – OHSA definition

(a) Any <u>structure</u> attached to the soil;

- (b) Any building or such <u>structure</u> or part thereof which is in the process of being erected;
- (c) Any prefabricated building or <u>structure</u> not attached to the soil;

Definition of Structure (a,b,c)

(a) Any building, steel or reinforced concrete structure (not being a building), railway line or siding, bridge, water-works, reservoir, pipe or **pipeline**, cable, sewer, sewage works, fixed vessels, road, drainage works, earthworks, dam, wall, mast, tower, tower crane, bulk mixing plant, pylon, surface and underground tanks, earth retaining structure or any structure designed to preserve or alter any natural feature, and any other similar structure

Definition of Structure (b,c)

(b) Any false work, scaffold or other structures designed or used to provide support or means of access during construction work; or

(c) Any fixed plant* in respect of construction work which includes installation, commissioning, decommissioning or dismantling and where any construction work involves the risk of falling

Excavation

 Means the making of any man-made cavity, trench, pit or depression formed by cutting, digging or scooping;

4 Important Documents

- 1. Client's Baseline Risk Assessment
- 2. Client's Health and Safety Specifications
- 3. Contractor Health and Safety Plan
- 4. Designer's Report on:

(a) H&S info (b) Geotechnical aspects (c) Loading Construction Regulations [CR] applicable on MHI sites

• CR 13(2)(g)

"A contractor who performs excavation work must ascertain, as far as reasonable practicable, the location and nature of <u>electricity</u>, <u>water</u>, <u>gas or other similar</u> <u>services</u> which may in any way be affected by the work to be performed, and must before the commencement of the excavation work that may affect any such service, <u>take the steps that are necessary</u> to render the circumstances safe for all persons involved "

Conclusion

SECTION 8 of OHSA

Wayleave Application

- Service connections (electricity, water, sewer, telecommunications cables)
- Trenching to repair existing or to install new infrastructure
- Construction of Buildings
- Driveway Entrances
- Road Construction

Note: Servitudes Area - Jurisdiction

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