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APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE NAMIBIA PETROLEUM CORPORATION OF NAMIBIA; NAMCOR

Windhoek, Namibia — 31 May 2024: The National Petroleum Corporation of Namibia; NAMCOR is pleased to announce the appointment of its new Board of Directors, effective 1 July 2024. This marks a new era for NAMCOR, characterised by strategic growth and reinforced commitment to excellence. The distinguished group of professionals brings a wealth of experience and expertise across various sectors. The newly appointed board members are:

Board Chairperson - Ms. Florentia Amuenje:

Florentia Amuenje is a seasoned Professional Coach and Human Resources Executive with a robust background in HR transformation, strategy development, and implementation. As the founder of TransfoCoaching and Consulting, she specializes in executive coaching, HR services, and business consultancy. Florentia holds an MBA from the University of Stellenbosch and frequently collaborates with senior executives to align strategies and drive organisational success. She has previously served as a board member of NTA, NAMDIA, and Debmarine and is currently on the board of Nedbank Namibia Holding LTD.

Deputy Board Chairperson - Ms. Tersia Gowases:

Ms. Tersia Gowases serves as the General Manager of Information Technology at the Social Security Commission. She holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Joensuu, Finland, which provided her with a strong foundation in advanced IT concepts and practices. Her international education has been complemented by extensive professional experience, allowing her to develop a nuanced understanding of IT management across different contexts and cultures. Ms. Gowases holds US Patent 14/940185, reflecting her innovative contributions to the field of information technology, and is reappointed to the NAMCOR board.

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Mr. Godfrey Ngaisiue

Mr. Godfrey Ngaisiue is an accomplished Geophysicist with over 20 years in the mining industry. Starting with the Ministry of Mines and Energy, he built a strong foundation in geological sciences and resource management. Since 2003, he has been with De Beers Marine, currently as the Minerals Resource Manager, advancing the company's exploration and extraction strategies. He holds an MSc in Exploration Geophysics from the University of Leeds, UK, and brings valuable insights into exploration geophysics, mineral resource evaluation, and geostatistics.

Mr. Oscar Capelao

Mr. Oscar Capelao is a Chartered Accountant and the Deputy Executive Director in the Ministry of Finance and Public Enterprises. His career includes senior roles at First National Bank (FNB) Namibia, such as Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer. He has a BCompt Degree from the University of South Africa and a Global MBA in Digital Business from Zigurat Innovation & Technology Business School. Mr. Capelao has served on the boards of NDTC, NHE, and the Namibia Stock Exchange.

Ms. Anna S. Libana

Ms. Anna S. Libana has over 15 years of experience in petroleum regulations, energy management, and pricing. She works at the National Energy Fund and has expertise in both upstream and downstream sectors of the petroleum industry. She holds a Master of International Business (MIB) from the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) and other qualifications in petroleum. Her strategic mindset and extensive experience significantly contribute to Namibia's energy sector.

Mr. Trophimus T. Hiwilepo

Mr. Trophimus T. Hiwilepo is a seasoned Business and IT professional with over 25 years of experience in the oil industry. He has worked at Norsk Hydro Namibia, the Angola oil and gas exploration office, and in Norway, bringing a wealth of international experience to his roles. Currently, he serves as a Non-Executive Director on the Boards of Nedbank Namibia and Seawork Food Processors. His extensive expertise spans Leadership, Management, Planning, Governance, Information Technology Services, Infrastructure, and Business Systems. Mr. Hiwilepo holds various qualifications, including a BSc from the University of Western Cape and a petroleum drilling qualification.

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The Acting Managing Director of NAMCOR, Mr. Ebson Uanguta, expressed his confidence and enthusiasm regarding the new appointments. He stated, "The depth of skill and experience that our new board members bring to NAMCOR is truly remarkable. I am confident that their collective expertise will not only guide NAMCOR in achieving its strategic objectives but also unlock the full potential of Namibia's energy sector. This new leadership marks a pivotal moment for our corporation as we strive to excel and innovate in the dynamic energy landscape. We look forward to their contributions as we navigate the challenges and opportunities ahead."

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