

## **NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

SACAA wishes to draw your attention to the following important notice published on 2 June 2017

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### **PROPOSED REGULATIONS TO EXCLUDE WASTE STREAMS FROM THE DEFINITION OF WASTE**

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The Minister of Environmental Affairs has, in terms of sections 69(1)(dd) and (ee), read with sections 1, 72 and 73 of NEM:WA, given notice of intention to make regulations to exclude waste streams from the definition of waste as set out in the schedule to this notice.

The purpose of the regulations is to:

- Prescribe the manner in which a person or a category of persons may apply to the Minister for the exclusion of waste from the definition of waste; and
- Exclude waste streams from the definition of waste.

Regulation 9 of the proposed regulations lists specific uses in respect of specific waste streams as excluded from the definition of waste, which waste streams include:

- Waste slag from ferrochrome metallurgy;
- Ash from combustion plants;
- Gypsum from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing; and
- Biomass (bark, offcuts, sawdust) from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing.

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of this publication (i.e. on or before 3 July 2017).

SACAA will be arranging a small workshop with interested parties to prepare a response from a SACAA point of view. This does not prevent each member organisation of also responding on their own accord.

In principle, this is a great initiative as far as ASH utilisation goes. The link is available on the SACAA website: [www.coalash.co.za](http://www.coalash.co.za)

Please share and send your comments to: [office@aspasa.co.za](mailto:office@aspasa.co.za)

Regards

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