



Reference: Recommendation Letter for OABS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RECOMMENDATION: CAPABILITY TO CONDUCT ALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AND SPECIFICALLY FOR LAND REFORM PROJECTS.

This letter serves to confirm that OABS Development (Pty)Ltd has been contracted by the Western Cape Department of Agriculture since 2010 (being evaluated and contracted in 12 month intervals) to execute the following project: FACILITATING DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL MARKET ACCESS FOR SMALLHOLDER ENTREPRENEURS.

The Western Cape Department of Agriculture under the Programme Agricultural Economic Services is responsible for the coordination of the Market Access Programme in the Province. Market access is one of the strategic priorities of the Western Cape Government and hence the Western Cape Department of Agriculture undertook it. The programme has a specific mandate and is renewed on a yearly basis. It is aimed at intervening by addressing market access barriers on the entire product value chain (up and downstream) as this is the key component of implementing equitable access and participation in accordance with the Sector Plan, Provincial Strategic Goals and the National Development Plan. The programme is mainly targeted at land reform beneficiaries.

This project is carried out in accordance with the terms of the contract and all the required deliverables were met and complied with. Furthermore, OABS demonstrated a high level of expertise and professionalism throughout the contract period.

Kind regards

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