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Date: 15 August 2024

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ATTENTION: MR F.H.L. RAYMOND

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Dear Sirs,

RE: FARM DOORKOP / SPCA

1. We refer to the above matter, in which we act for the Cape of Good Hope Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We have been instructed to respond to your letter of 13 August 2024.
2. Our client's Inspectors were granted permission to enter the property, Doornkop farm, and therefore lawfully entered, as per section 8(1)(a) of the Animal Protection Act "*the APA*". Had permission been refused, our client would have been entitled to obtain an order to enter the premises in terms of Section 8(1)(a) of the APA. In light of the permission it was given, this was not required.
3. Our client's Inspectors examined the cow in question. The animal was in such a terrible physical condition that it would have been cruel to allow the animal to continue suffering. It had to be put down and it was put down humanely; not "*executed*". Our client exercised its powers in terms of Section 5 of the APA to put the animal down, humanely, and met the requirements of Section 5, in all respects.

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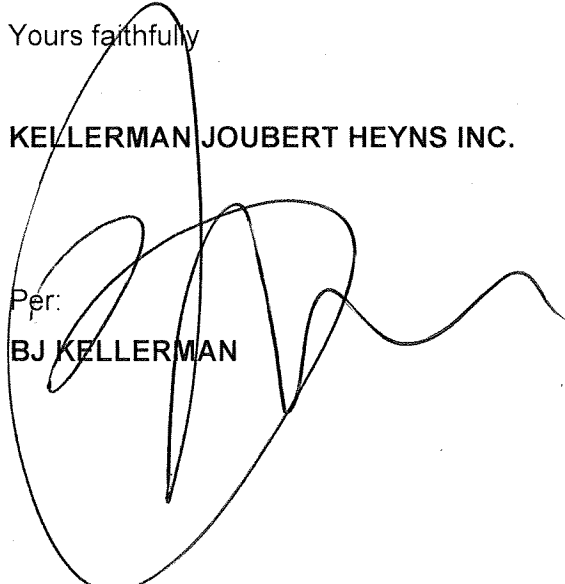
4. Your client was unable to provide any evidence of treatment being administered to the cow and also could not provide the details of any veterinarian treating the animal.
5. We deny that your letter constitutes due notice for purposes of the Small Claims Court Act, in that it fails to comply with the requirements of Section 29 of the Small Claims Court Act, read with Rule 8 of the Rules issued under the Act, and Form 4 of Annexure 1 to the Rules.
6. Our client denies any liability to your client and denies the allegations in your letter. Any legal action against our client will be opposed. All our client's rights are reserved, including the right to deal with the allegations in your letter in greater detail, in due course.

Yours faithfully

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