

Reference: Gregory Pretorius - WCNF152492

THE MINISTER

REPORT IN TERMS OF REGULATION 5(3) OF THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED UNDER THE MARINE LIVING RESOURCES ACT, 1998 (ACT No. 18 OF 1998): APPEAL IN TERMS OF SECTION 80 OF THE MARINE LIVING RESOURCES ACT, 1998 (ACT No. 18 OF 1998): GREGORY PRETORIUS

PURPOSE

To submit a report as provided for in terms of Regulation 5(3) of the Regulations promulgated under the Marine Living Resources Act, 1998 (Act No. 18 of 1998) ("the MLRA"), with regard to an appeal by Gregory Pretorius.

2. GROUNDS OF APPEAL

The Appellant's first ground of appeal relates to section 4 (Access to a Suitable Vessel). The Appellant argues that he demonstrated that he had access to a suitable vessel "Kylie" through a catch agreement and he should have scored 10 points out of maximum 25 points. The Appellant indicates that this would translate to 8% of the total 20% for this section. The Appellant submits that the Delegated Authority (DA) erred in scoring the Appellant 3% instead of 8% as it is explained in the final GPR scoring matrix or criteria. The Appellant further states that there is no relation to the contents of the final GPR and the DA's score. The Appellant submits his score for section for should be adjusted from 3% to 8%.

The Appellant's second ground of appeal relates to section 5 (fishing performance). The Appellant states that in his application form he indicated not applicable (N/A) for four (4) seasons: 2005; 2006; 2010 and 2011. The Appellant submits that in all the stipulated seasons he did utilise his right but did not have the required information at the time of application. The Appellant has managed to

source the details of the catches subsequent to the submission of the application

form. The Appellant submits that the information provided in this appeal and the

information on the original application would make the full 10 seasons required

for the Appellant to score maximum points for this section. The Appellant argues

that he complied with the requirements of section 5 as he utilised the right for 10

seasons and he should be awarded full points for section 5.

3. **DELIBERATIONS**

The Appellant was categorised as a Category A applicant, this category was for

individuals who held West Coast Rock Lobster (Nearshore) fishing rights during

2005 Long-Term Rights Allocation and Management Process

("LTRAMP2005"). The Appellant scored above the set minimum threshold of

64.8% for previous right holder applicants and accordingly was awarded a

fishing right.

The Appellant was correctly scored in section 4 based on the information he

provided at the time of application. The Appellant provided a catch agreement

and was accordingly scored 3 points

The Appellant attained a score of 66.67 on section 5.2 in relation to catch records

based on the information provided by the applicant at the time of application.

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DATE: 21 AUGUST 2018