

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION APPENDICES

I& AP DATABASE

IBAP DATABASE FOR THE 140MW RIETRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE LOCATED IN THE NORTHERN AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

COMPANY/ORGANISATION/DEPARTMENT	NAME	AFFILIATION
Affected Landowner	Sybrand & Hannelie Burger	Remaining Extent of Nootgedacht Farm 148
Landowner (Access Road)	PMV van Heerden	Langekui 136
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Ria Laynes	Portion 1 of the Farm Beerenvalley No. 150
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Abrie De Wet	Remainder of the Farm Beerenvalley No. 150
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Andreas & Lynette Muller	Portion 1 of the Farm Gunstfontein No. 151
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Andre Knoop	Remainder of the Farm Hartebeestfontein No 147
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	PHINDANA PROP 49 PTY LTD	Farm Sterboomhoek No 8
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Francois Conradie	Remainder of the Farm Boschmans Kloof No 9
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Francois Conradie	Portion 2 of the Farm Boschmans Kloof No 9
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Francois Conradie	Portion 4 of the Farm Taayboschkraal No 12
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	GVA Boerdery cc	Portion 1 of the Farm Boschmans Kloof No 9
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Abrie De Wet	Remainder of the Farm Botmanshoek No 10
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Billie Myburgh (MYBURGH FAMILIETRUST)	Portion 3 of the Farm Taayboschkraal No 12
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Billie Myburgh (MYBURGH FAMILIETRUST)	Portion 2 of the Farm Taayboschkraal No 12
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Abrie De Wet	Portion 1 of the Farm Botmanshoek No 10
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Dawid & Tossie Muller	Portion 1 of the Farm Schietfontein No 179
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Marthinus Botes	Portion 5 of the Farm Hamelkraal No. 16
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Elias Nel Basson	Remainder of the Farm Portugalsrivier No 218
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Albie Olivier Boldien (Pty) Ltd	Portion 1 of the Farm Portugalsrivier No 218
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	David Andries Muller	Remainder of the Farm Weigemoed No 268
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	Cornelius Jacobus Symington	Portion 5 of Tomtelbosfontein Farm 152 & Remaining Extent of de Vreede Farm 133
Adjacent/Neighbouring Landowner	John Rupert Family Trust	Portion 6 of the Farm Rietpoort No. 15, Portion 3 of the Farm Rietpoort No. 15 (referred to as Koolgate); Portion 2 of the Farm Rietpoort No. 15 (referred to as Koolgate); Remainder of Farm No. 6 (referred to as Tierhoek)
Powerline Landowner	Arend de Waal	Farm No. 280
Powerline Landowner	Arend de Waal	Portion 1 of the Farm Rheebockenfontein No 4
Powerline Landowner	Arend de Waal	Portion 2 of the Farm Rheebockenfontein No 4
Powerline Landowner	Charles Muller	Portion 2 of the Farm De Molen No 5
Powerline Landowner	Abraham & Bella Muller	Portion 1 of the Farm Hamel Kraal No 16
Powerline Landowner	Charles Muller	Portion 7 of the Farm Hamel Kraal No 16
Powerline Landowner	Frans Bothma	Farm Spitskop No 20
Powerline Landowner	Arend de Waal	Remainder of Farm No 219
Powerline Landowner	Andre Jordaan	Rogge Cloof Estate & Sutherland Space Port Manager
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Andre Knoop	Remaining Extent of Harbeestfontein Farm 147
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Anna Catharina Du Plessis & Ebe du Toit	Portion 2 on Farm 144 (Virke Kull); Portion 3 of Farm 2 (Wilgobosch Kloof); Remaining extent of Farm 143
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Thijs Heyns	Remaining extent of Farm 145 (Klippekraal)
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Piet van Heerden	Portion 1 of Farm 219
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Kobus le Roux	Portion 1 of Farm 219
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Arend de Waal	Nova Vita Boerdery (PTY)Ltd Farms Re219, Re280, Portion 1 of Rheebockenfontein Farm 4, and Portion 2 of Rheebockenfontein Farm
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Charles Muller	Portion 2 of Farm de Molen and Portion 7 of Hamelkraal (Farms 25 + 7/16)
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Abraham & Bella Muller	Portion 6 of Farm Hamelkraal 16 Farm 6/16 -
Main 132kV Powerline, MTS, 400kV Powerline	Frans Bothma	Farm RE Spitskop Portion 20
Competent Authority	Jay-Jay Mpelane	DFPE
Competent Authority	Lerato Mokoena	DFPE
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Municipality	Mr Chris Fortuin	Namakwa District Municipality (Municipal Manager)
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Municipality	S.W Vatala	Central Karoo District Municipality
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Municipality	Winnie Miles	Laingsburg Local Municipality (PA to Municipal Manager)
Municipality	Jaftha Booysen	Laingsburg Local Municipality: The Municipal Manager
Municipality	Wilhelm Theron	Laingsburg Local Municipality Ward 2 Councillor (Laingsburg)
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Other	D. Ngwenya	Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA)
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Other	Mr Renier Nel	MTN South Africa Tele Communications
Other	Ms Sweetness Maletse	National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)
Other	Ms Sharon Steyn	Northern Cape Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Other	Dr Warren Jaubert	South African Weather Services
Other	Ms Lynne Hannay	Shell South Africa Exploration (Pty) Ltd
Other	Dr Ramotholo Sefako	South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO) (Cape Town & Sutherland)
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Other	Mavela Pilazo	Southern African Large Telescope (SALT) and South African Astrological Observatory (SAAO) (Sutherland)
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Other	Ms Adriana Chickesh	Sustainable Energy Society of Southern Africa (SESSA)
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ADVERT & PROOF OF PLACEMENT

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP-r) REPORTS AND FINAL LAYOUTS FOR THE AUTHORISED 140MW SUTHERLAND (DFFE REF: 12/12/20/1782/2/AM5) AND 140MW RIETRUG (DFFE REF: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5) WIND ENERGY FACILITIES (WEFs) AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES, AND ASSOCIATED GRID CONNECTION (IPP PORTION OF 132KV ON-SITE SUBSTATION - DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458 & ESKOM PORTION OF ON-SITE SUBSTATION AND 132KV POWERLINE - DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1), INCLUDING THE 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, KORING MAIN TRANSMISSION SUBSTATION (MTS) AND 400KV POWERLINE (DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM1)

FINALISATION OF THE 140MW SUTHERLAND AND RIETRUG WEFs AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE EMP-rs AND LAYOUTS, NEAR SUTHERLAND, NORTHERN AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

Notice is hereby given, in terms of Regulation 37, published in Government Notice No.982 under Chapter 5, Part 4 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No. 107 of 1998 and subsequent amendments) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014, as amended), of the submission of the following:

Sutherland Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd and **Rietrug Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd** proposes to finalise the layouts and EMP-rs for the 140MW Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs, and the electrical grid infrastructure comprising of a 132kV overhead powerline, the Koring 400kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), 400kV powerline and associated infrastructure located in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces, within the Karoo Hoogland and Laingsburg Local Municipalities.

The proposed **Sutherland WEF** will have up to 34 wind turbines with a rotor diameter and hub height of up to 200m, and the wind turbines will be connected to another by means of medium voltage cables. An internal gravel road network will be constructed to facilitate movement between turbines on site. A hardstanding laydown area of a maximum of 10 000m² will be constructed. A temporary site office will be constructed on site for all contractors, and would be approximately 5000m² in size. The Sutherland WEF will also house the Acrux on-site substation comprising of an IPP portion (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458) and Eskom portion (switching station) of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/257/AM1), which will connect to the electrical grid infrastructure to support the Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs to the National Grid (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM1).

The proposed **Rietrug WEF** will have up to 37 wind turbines with a rotor diameter and hub height of up to 200m, and the wind turbines will be connected to another by means of medium voltage cables. An internal gravel road network will be constructed to facilitate movement between turbines on site. A hardstanding laydown area of a maximum of 10 000m² will be constructed. A temporary site office will be constructed on site for all contractors, and would be approximately 5000m² in size. The proposed Rietrug WEF will connect to the Acrux on-site substation located on the Sutherland WEF site.

Separate Environmental Authorisations (EAs) were received from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) for the 140MW Sutherland WEF, 140MW Rietrug WEF, the IPP portion and Eskom portion of the Acrux substation and powerline and electrical grid connection infrastructure that will connect these projects to the National Grid. The EMP-rs for the WEFs, Generic EMP-rs for the substations and powerlines and their final layouts have not been approved. The Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs have been selected as Preferred Bidder in round 5 of the Renewable Energy IPP Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) and construction is expected to commence in early 2023, within the confines of their respective EAs. The EMP-rs and Final Layouts for the Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs, including all grid connection infrastructure, are thus being finalised and approved by the DFFE, in accordance with conditions of the respective EAs.

Nala Environmental has been commissioned by the Applicants to undertake the fine-scale specialist walkthroughs and subsequent finalisation of the respective EMP-rs, in terms of the EAs and NEMA EIA Regulations. All potential stakeholders are hereby invited to register as Interested and/or Affected Parties (IGAPs) for the abovementioned projects. All registered IGAPs will be given the opportunity to participate and comment for the full duration of the Final Layout and EMP-r and public participation process for the WEFs and grid connection infrastructure. Registered IGAPs will receive all relevant project related information and/or notifications, including notifications regarding the availability of the Final Layouts and EMP-r Reports for public review and comment. To register as an IGAP and/or to submit any comment(s) on the proposed projects and process, please contact Nala Environmental at the contact details provide below:

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FINALE OMGEWINGSBESTUURSPROGRAM- (OBPr-) VERSLAE EN FINALE UITLEGTE VAN DIE GEMAGTIGDE 140 MW SUTHERLAND (DBVO-VERW.: 12/12/20/1782/2/AM5) EN 140 MW RIETRUG (DBVO-VERW.: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5) WINDKRAGGAANLEGTE (WEF's) EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR, NOORD- EN WES-KAAPPROVINSIE, EN VERWANTE ROOSTERKONNEKSIE (ONAFHANKLIKE KRAGPRODUSENT- (OKP-) GEDEELTE VAN 132 KV INTERNE SUBSTASIE – DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458 & ESKOM-GEDEELTE VAN INTERNE SUBSTASIE EN 132 KV KRAGLYN – DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1) MET INSLUITING VAN DIE 132 KV OORHOOFSE KRAGLYN, KORING HOOFTRANSMISSIESUBSTASIE (HTS) EN 400 KV KRAGLYN (DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2)

FINALISERING VAN DIE 140 MW SUTHERLAND EN RIETRUG WEF's EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR OBPr'e EN UITLEGTE NABY SUTHERLAND, NOORD- EN WES-KAAPPROVINSIE

Ingevolge Regulasie 37 wat in Staatskennisgewing R982 onder Hoofstuk 5, Deel 4 van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA, Wet 107 van 1998 en daaropvolgende wysigings) se Regulasies op Omgewingsimpakevaluering (OIE-regulasies) (2014, soos gewysig), geskied kennis hiermee van die indiening van die volgende:

Sutherland Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk. en **Rietrug Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk.** beoog om die uitlegte en OBPr'e vir die 140 MW Sutherland en Rietrug WEF's en die elektriese kragnetinfrastruktuur bestaande uit 'n 132 kV oorhoofse kraglyn, die Koring 400 kV Hooftransmissiesubstasie (HTS), 400 kV kraglyn en verwante infrastruktuur wat in die Noord- en Wes-Kaapprovinsie in die Karoo Hoogland en Laingsburg Plaaslike Munisipaliteit geleë is, te finaliseer.

Die beoogde **Sutherland WEF** sal hoogstens 34 windturbines met 'n rotordeursnee en naafhoogte van hoogstens 200 m hê, en die windturbines sal aan die hand van mediumspanningskabels met mekaar verbind wees. 'n Interne gruispadnetwerk sal gebou word om beweging tussen turbines op die terrein te vergemaklik. 'n Hardeblad stapelwerfgebied van hoogstens 10 000 m² sal opgerig word. 'n Tydelike terreinkantoor vir alle kontrakteurs sal op die terrein gebou en sowat 5 000 m² in omvang wees. Die Sutherland WEF sal ook die Acrux interne substasie huisves, wat bestaan uit 'n OKP-gedeelte (DBVO-verw.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458) en Eskom-gedeelte (skakelstasie) van die interne substasie en 'n 132 kV kraglyn (DBVO-verw.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/257/AM1) wat met die elektriese kragnetinfrastruktuur sal verbind om die Sutherland- en Rietrug WEF met die Nasionale Kragnet te verbind (DBVO-verw.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2).

Die beoogde **Rietrug WEF** sal hoogstens 37 windturbines met 'n rotordeursnee en naafhoogte van hoogstens 200 m hê, en die windturbines sal aan die hand van mediumspanningskabels met mekaar verbind wees. 'n Interne gruispadnetwerk sal gebou word om beweging tussen turbines op die terrein te vergemaklik. 'n Hardeblad stapelwerfgebied van hoogstens 10 000 m² sal opgerig word. 'n Tydelike terreinkantoor vir alle kontrakteurs sal op die terrein gebou en sowat 5 000 m² in omvang wees. Die beoogde Rietrug WEF sal met die Acrux interne substasie, wat op die Sutherland WEF-terrein geleë is, verbind.

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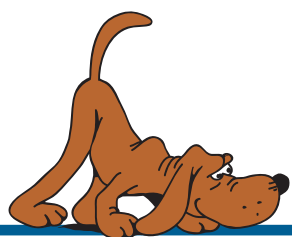


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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPr) REPORTS AND FINAL LAYOUTS FOR THE AUTHORISED 140MW SUTHERLAND (DFFE REF: 12/12/20/1782/2/AM5) AND 140MW RIETRUG (DFFE REF: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5) WIND ENERGY FACILITIES (WEFs) AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES, AND ASSOCIATED GRID CONNECTION (IPP PORTION OF 132KV ON-SITE SUBSTATION - DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458 & ESKOM PORTION OF ON-SITE SUBSTATION AND 132KV POWERLINE - DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1), INCLUDING THE 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, KORING MAIN TRANSMISSION SUBSTATION (MTS) AND 400KV POWERLINE (DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM1)

FINALISATION OF THE 140MW SUTHERLAND AND RIETRUG WEFs AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE EMPs AND LAYOUTS, NEAR SUTHERLAND, NORTHERN AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

Notice is hereby given, in terms of Regulation 37, published in Government Notice No.982 under Chapter 5, Part 4 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No. 107 of 1998 and subsequent amendments) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014, as amended), of the submission of the following:

Sutherland Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd and Rietrug Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd proposes to finalise the layouts and EMPs for the 140MW Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs, and the electrical grid infrastructure comprising of a 132kV overhead powerline, the Koring 400kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), 400kV powerline and associated infrastructure located in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces, within the Karoo Hoogland and Laingsburg Local Municipalities.

The proposed Sutherland WEF will have up to 34 wind turbines with a rotor diameter and hub height of up to 200m, and the wind turbines will be connected to another by means of medium voltage cables. An internal gravel road network will be constructed to facilitate movement between turbines on site. A hardstanding laydown area of a maximum of 10 000m² will be constructed. A temporary site office will be constructed on site for all contractors, and would be approximately 5000m² in size. The Sutherland WEF will also house the Acrux on-site substation comprising of an IPP portion (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458) and Eskom portion (switching station) of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/257/AM1), which will connect to the electrical grid infrastructure to support the Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs to the National Grid (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM1).

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Separate Environmental Authorisations (EAs) were received from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) for the 140MW Sutherland WEF, 140MW Rietrug WEF, the IPP portion and Eskom portion of the Acrux substation and powerline and electrical grid connection infrastructure that will connect these projects to the National Grid. The EMPs for the WEFs, Generic EMPs for the substations and powerlines and their final layouts have not been approved. The Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs have been selected as Preferred Bidder in round 5 of the Renewable Energy IPP Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) and construction is expected to commence in early 2023, within the confines of their respective EAs. The EMPs and Final Layouts for the Sutherland and Rietrug WEFs, including all grid connection infrastructure, are thus being finalised and approved by the DFFE, in accordance with conditions of the respective EAs.

Nala Environmental has been commissioned by the Applicants to undertake the fine-scale specialist walkthroughs and subsequent finalisation of the respective EMPs, in terms of the EAs and NEMA EIA Regulations. All potential stakeholders are hereby invited to register as Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) for the abovementioned projects. All registered I&APs will be given the opportunity to participate and comment for the full duration of the Final Layout and EMP and public participation process for the WEFs and grid connection infrastructure. Registered I&APs will receive all relevant project related information and/or notifications, including notifications regarding the availability of the Final Layouts and EMP Reports for public review and comment. To register as an I&AP and/or to submit any comment(s) on the proposed projects and process, please contact Nala Environmental at the contact details provide below:

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FINALE OMGEWINGSBESTUURSPROGRAM- (OBPr-) VERSLAE EN FINALE UITLEGTE VAN DIE GEMAGTIGDE 140 MW SUTHERLAND (DBVO-VERW.: 12/12/20/1782/2/AM5) EN 140 MW RIETRUG (DBVO-VERW.: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5) WINDKRAGANLEGTE (WEF's) EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR, NOORD- EN WES-KAAPPROVINSIE, EN VERWANTE ROOSTERKONNEKSIE (ONAFHANKLIKE KRAGPRODUSENT- (OKP-) GEDEELTE VAN 132 KV INTERNE SUBSTASIE - DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458 & ESKOM-GEDEELTE VAN INTERNE SUBSTASIE EN 132 KV KRAGLYN - DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1) MET INSLUITING VAN DIE 132 KV OORHOOFSE KRAGLYN, KORING HOOFTRANSMISSIESUBSTASIE (HTS) EN 400 KV KRAGLYN (DBVO-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM1)

FINALISERING VAN DIE 140 MW SUTHERLAND EN RIETRUG WEF's EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR OBPr'e EN UITLEGTE NABY SUTHERLAND, NOORD- EN WES-KAAPPROVINSIE

Ingevolge Regulasie 37 wat in Staatskennisgewing 9882 onder Hoofstuk 5, Deel 4 van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA, Wet 107 van 1998 en daaropvolgende wysigings) se Regulasies op Omgewingsimpakevaluering (OIE-regulasies) (2014, soos gewysig), geskied kennis hiermee van die indiening van die volgende:

Sutherland Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk. en Rietrug Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk. beoog om die uitlegte en OBPr'e vir die 140 MW Sutherland en Rietrug WEF's en die elektriese kragnetinfrastruktuur bestaande uit 'n 132 kV oorhoofse kraglyn, die Koring 400 kV Hooftransmissiesubstasie (HTS), 400 kV kraglyn en verwante infrastruktuur wat in die Noord- en Wes-Kaapprovinsie in die Karoo Hoogland en Laingsburg Plaaslike Munisipaliteit geleë is, te finaliseer.

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Fri, Oct 21, 2022 at 12:21 PM

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Dear Jay-Jay.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

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Good day,

I hope this email finds you well.

Kindly see attached the Request for Pre-Application Meeting for the Rietrug Wind Energy Facility and Associated Grid Infrastructure Northern and Western Cape Provinces.

Kindly note that this project has been selected as preferred bidder project in Bid Window 5 of REIPPPP and that due to financial close requirements will require urgent assistance for this project.

The Applicant intends to comply with all requirements set out by the Act and as per the Environmental Authorisation's and Amendments received for this project.

Kindly inform me as soon as the case officer has been allocated to this project so that the appropriate way forward can be confirmed. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information. Thank you.

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Dear Arlene Singh.

This serves to acknowledge the receipt of application for the pre-app meeting. Please be informed that, there is no need for pre-app meeting. You also **confirmed** on our telephonic conversation that **you don't need** pre-app meeting, but submitted these pre-app meeting request just for compliance purpose.

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Regards,

Jay

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02 December 2022

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME REPORT AND FINAL LAYOUT FOR THE AUTHORISED 140MW RIETRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY, ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (OFFE REF: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5) AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE (OFFE REF.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1, 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458 AND 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2) NORTHERN & WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

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The WEF will include (as authorised):

- Up to 34 wind turbines with a height of up to 200m and rotor diameter of up to 200m.
- The wind turbines will be connected to another by means of medium voltage cable.
- An internal gravel road network will be constructed to facilitate movement between turbines on site. These roads will include drainage and cabling.
- A hard standing laydown area of a maximum of 10 000 m² will be constructed; and
- A temporary site office will be constructed on site for all contractors, this would be approximately 5000m² in size.
- A 10km portion of the existing access road will be upgraded and widened to a width of 7 metres to facilitate abnormal loads to the Rietrug WEF site.

The properties associated with the Rietrug WEF include:

- Portion I of Beeren Valley Farm 150;



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- Remaining Extent of Beeren Valley Farm 150;
- Remaining Extent of Nooitgedacht Farm 148;

The EMPr associated with the 140MW Rietrug WEF has not been approved as per the EA and will be made available for public review and comment as part of the public participation process.

The infrastructure associated with the IPP Portion of the on-site substation (OFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458) is located on Remaining Extent of Nooitgedacht Farm 148 and includes:

- An IPP portion of the on-site substation (Acruz);
- Laydown area;
- Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Building;
- Fencing of the proposed on-site substation
- Battery Energy Storage Infrastructure (BESS)

The Generic EMPr associated with the IPP Portion of the on-site substation and the EMPr for the BESS and underground cabling have not been approved as per the EA and will be made available for public review and comment as part of the public participation process.

The infrastructure associated with the Switching Station Portion of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline is located on Remaining Extent of Nooitgedacht Farm 148 (OFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1) includes:

- Switching Station portion of the on-site substation;
- Fencing;
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- Connection to the Koring MTS third party substation; and
- Service road below the powerline.

The Generic EMPr's associated with the Eskom Portion of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline have not been approved as per the EA and will be made available for public review and comment as part of the public participation process.

The infrastructure associated with electrical grid infrastructure (within a 500m corridor) to support the Sutherland, Sutherland 2 and Rietrug WEFs in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces (OFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2) includes:

- Koring Main Transmission Substation (MTS) including O&M building and laydown area;
- Fencing of the proposed on-site substation;
- Overhead 132kV powerline from the Sutherland WEF on-site substation to the Koring MTS;
- Overhead 400kV powerline connecting to the proposed 400kV Koring MTS and an existing 400kV Eskom powerline
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The properties associated with the Electrical Grid Infrastructure to support the Sutherland WEF includes:

- Remaining extent of Hartebeeste Fontein Farm 147;
- Remaining Extent of Nooitgedacht Farm 148;
- Remaining Extent of Beeren Valley Farm 150;
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- Remaining extent of Farm 219;
- Remaining extent of Farm 280;
- Portion 1 of Rheebockenfontein Farm 4;
- Portion 2 of Rheebockenfontein Farm 4;
- Portion 2 of De Molen Farm 5;
- Portion 6 of Hamelkraal Farm 16;
- Portion 7 of Hamelkraal Farm 16; and
- Remainder of Spitzkop Farm 20

It must be noted that the EMPr (CSIR, 2019), and Addendum to the EMPr (Nala, July 2021) associated with DFFE Ref. 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2 has been approved and will be included within the Appendices and the Final Layout for completeness.

The Rietrug WEF has been awarded preferred bidder status in round 5 of the Renewable Energy IPP Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) and in order to meet financial close requirements, all requirements in the EA's need to be adhered to, which specifies that the applicant must submit a Final Layout plan's and EMPr's to DFFE for written approval prior to commencement of the activities for the WEF and grid connection infrastructure. The recommendations and mitigation measures recorded in the Environmental Impact Report dated September 2011 and Amendment dated August 2016, subsequent amendments for the WEF including the grid connection Basic Assessment reports dated December 2019 and January 2022 and final specialist walk-throughs must be incorporated as part of the Final EMPr's. Once approved, the EMPr's must be implemented and adhered to for WEF and all applicable grid connection infrastructure. As per the conditions of the Environmental Authorisation's for the WEFs and grid connection infrastructure the applicant must submit a Final Layout plan's for the entire wind energy facility and grid connection infrastructure for comment to Registered Interested and Affected Parties prior to submission to the Department for approval. The Layout should indicate the following:

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In this regard, Rietrug Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd. is preparing prepared the Final Environmental Management Programme report's and Final Layout for review and comment. In accordance with the EA's issued, the Rietrug WEF EMPr and Final Layout will be made available for a 30-day Public Participation Process. The relevant reports will be made available for download from the Nala Environmental website upon commencement of the 30-day review period. Copies of the documentation can be made available in any format as requested. Should you be unable to download the relevant documentation from the website when it becomes available, kindly advise Nala of a preferred method to have the documentation provided.

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Nala Environmental was appointed as the independent environmental consultant to undertake the finalisation of the EMPr's and Final Layout for the Rietrug WEF and associated grid infrastructure.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Arlene Singh', is positioned above the typed name.

Kind regards,

Arlene Singh
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08 December 2022

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- 1) **The EMPr for the 140MW Rietrug Wind Energy Facility and associated infrastructure (DFFE Ref.: 12/12/20/1782/1/AM5);**
- 2) **The Generic EMPr associated with the IPP portion of the Acrux on-site substation (DFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458);**



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- 3) The BESS and underground cabling associated with the IPP portion of the Acrux on-site substation(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458);.
- 4) The Generic EMPr associated with Eskom portion of the Acrux on-site substation(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1);
- 5) The Generic EMPr associated with the 132kV overhead powerline from the Eskom portion of the Acrux substation to the 132kV main grid line(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1).

It is to be noted that the EMPr associated with the 132kV overhead powerline, 400kV Koring MTS and 400kV powerline (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2) has been approved, but has been included in the appendices for completeness, this infrastructure has also been included within the Final Layout submitted for review and comment.

Our team welcomes your participation and looks forward to your involvement throughout this process. You are also welcome to share this information with others that you feel will have an interest in this process.

Kind regards,

Arlene Singh
Environmental Consultant
E-mail: publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za

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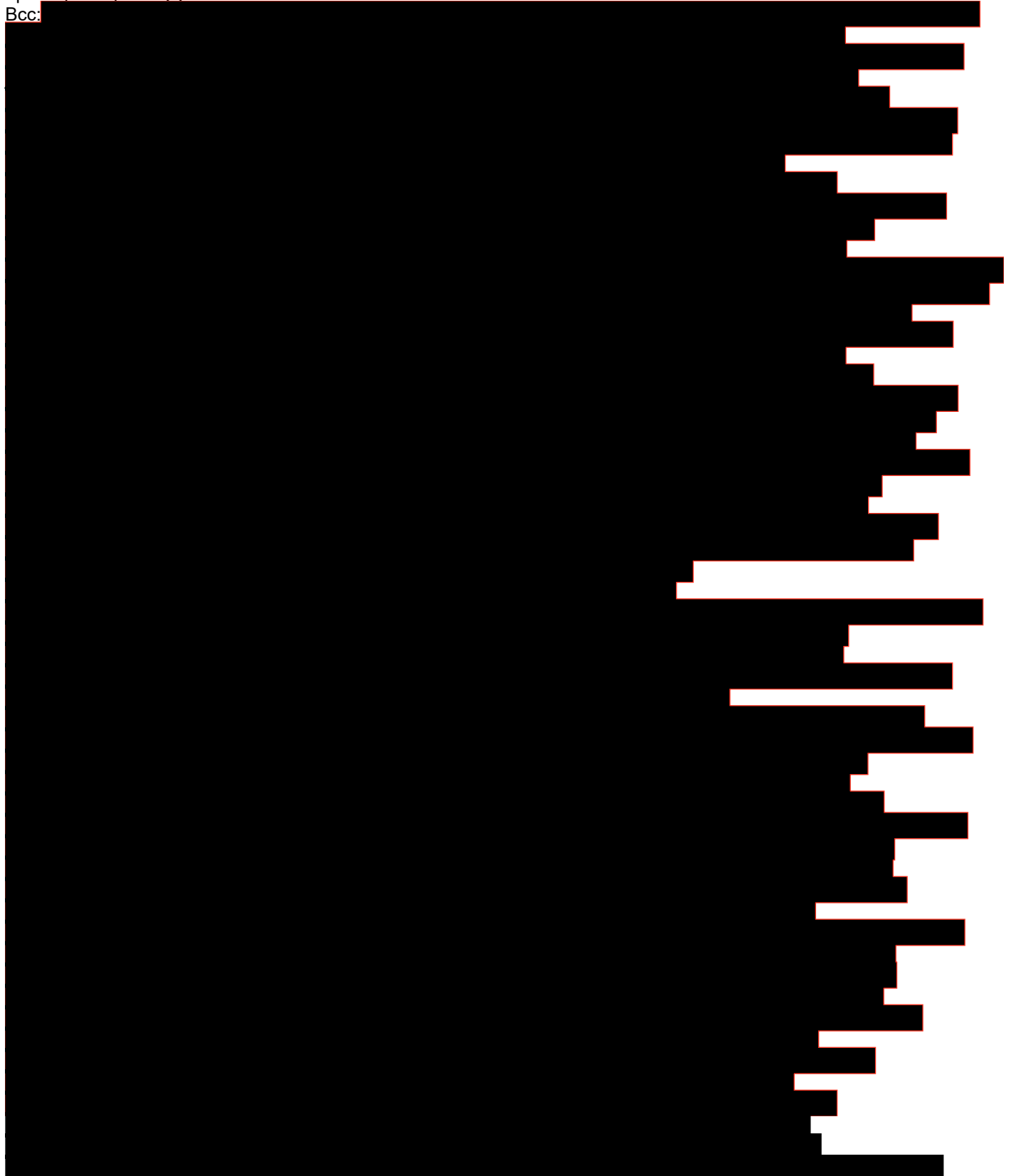
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Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Fri, Dec 2, 2022 at 2:53 PM

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>, Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>, Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

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- 3) The infrastructure associated with the Switching Station Portion of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1).
- 4) The infrastructure associated with electrical grid infrastructure (within a 500m corridor) to support the Sutherland, Sutherland 2 and Rietrug WEFs in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces (DFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2).

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Nala Environmental has been commissioned by the Applicant to undertake the ground truthing and subsequent finalisation of the EMPr's in terms of NEMA EIA Regulations. You are hereby invited to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) and to comment on the EMPr's that will be made available on the Nala Environmental website (<https://nalaenvironmental.co.za/>).

You and/or the organisation, which you represent, has been identified as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) to review and comment on the Final EMPr's and Layout (inclusive of WEF and Grid infrastructure) **A separate notification letter will be communicated that includes the dates of commencement of the 30-day review period and links to download the relevant documentation for review and comment.**

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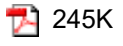
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Public Participation Process Notice: EMPr and Layout for the Authorised 140MW Rietrug Wind Energy Facility_Ref:12/12/20/1782/1/AM5 and Grid Connection Infrastructure (Northern and Western Cape Provinces)

Simamkele Ntsengwane [REDACTED] >
To: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Mon, Dec 5, 2022 at 10:19 AM

Good Morning Arlene,

Could you please kindly share the necessary KML files, i.e., development areas and grid connection route, etc., for this development.

Thank you.

Kind Regards

Simamkele Ntsengwane

From: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Sent: 02 December 2022 2:53 PM

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>; Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>; Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Public Participation Process Notice: EMPr and Layout for the Authorised 140MW Rietrug Wind Energy Facility_Ref:12/12/20/1782/1/AM5 and Grid Connection Infrastructure (Northern and Western Cape Provinces)

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Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

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Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Mon, Dec 5, 2022 at 11:42 AM

To: Simamkele Ntsengwane <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>, Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>, Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

Hi Simamkele,

No problem,

Kindly find attached the kmz file. Please note that the review period will commence this week. We will be sending out correspondence on the availability. I have included you on the I&AP database. Thank you.

Kind regards,



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Simamkele Ntsengwane <[REDACTED]>
To: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Mon, Dec 5, 2022 at 10:40 AM

Hi Arlene,

I would appreciate it if you could register me as an I&AP for the abovementioned project, to receive corresponded throughout the application process.

Name: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Thank you.

Kind Regards

Simamkele Ntsengwane

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Fri, Dec 2, 2022 at 2:53 PM

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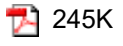
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Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>

Fri, Dec 2, 2022 at 3:23 PM

To: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>, Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>, Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

Good afternoon,

Please upload the EMPr to the relevant SAHRIS application and change the status of the case to SUBMITTED. Please inform me when this is completed and provide the Case ID number.

Kind regards,

Please note that I will be on leave from the 19th December 2022 and I will return on the 9th January 2023.

From: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Sent: 02 December 2022 14:53

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>; Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>; Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

Subject: Public Participation Process Notice: EMPr and Layout for the Authorised 140MW Rietrug Wind Energy Facility_Ref:12/12/20/1782/1/AM5 and Grid Connection Infrastructure (Northern and Western Cape Provinces)

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Adri La Meyer <Adri.LaMeyer@westerncape.gov.za>

Tue, Dec 6, 2022 at 3:40 PM

To: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>, Thea Jordan <Thea.Jordan@westerncape.gov.za>, Danie Swanepoel <Danie.Swanepoel@westerncape.gov.za>

Cc: Norman Chetsanga <norman@veersgroup.com>, Justin Jacobs <justin@veersgroup.com>, Arlene Singh <publicparticipation@nalaenvironmental.co.za>

Dear Arlene,

Thank you for your email of 02 December 2022.

It appears that the authorised 140MW Rietrug WEF falls entirely within the boundaries of the Northern Cape Province? If so, this Department has no jurisdiction in commenting on the Final EMPr and layout for the Rietrug WEF. In this instance, you may take this Department off your I&AP/organ of state list for the Rietrug WEF.

Please can you also confirm if the IPP portion of the on-site substation, BESS, and underground cabling; and the infrastructure associated with the switching station portion of the on-site substation and 132kV powerline are within the Northern Cape only?

With regards to the EGI to support the Sutherland, Sutherland 2 and Rietrug WEFs in the Northern and Western Cape Provinces, it appears that the Final EMPr and layout have been approved and no document is released for comments?

It must be noted that the EMPr (CSIR, 2019), and Addendum to the EMPr (Nala, July 2021) associated with DFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2 has been approved and will be included within the Appendices and the Final Layout for completeness.

A response at your earliest convenience is appreciated.

Kind regards,
Adri

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From: Arlene Singh <arlene@veersgroup.com>

Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 14:53

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I hope that you are well.

Yes, I can confirm that the 140MW Rietrug Wind Energy Facility is entirely within the Northern Cape Province, this includes the IPP and Eskom portion of the on-site substation, BESS, underground cabling and the a small section of of the 132kV powerline as authorised (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2457/AM1 and DFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2458). The infrastructure related to the Rietrug WEF that have traverses the Western Cape is the EGI (DFFE Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2077/AM2), that was approved as part of the Basic Assessment process (December 2019). A copy of the approved EMPr will be included for perusal and he EGI will be included in the layout to depict the WEF's connection to the National Grid.

Thank you for confirming, I will remove the Department's details related to the Rietrug WEF.

Kind regards,



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