

APPENDIX C5: COMMENTS & RESPONSES RECEIVED

- 5.1. Initial Notification**
- 5.2. Draft Amendment Phase**

From: [EIA Applications](#)
To: [Thando Boo](#)
Cc: [Ashleigh Blackwell](#); [Mpho Monyai](#); [Olivia Letlalo](#)
Subject: 2020-07-0039
Date: Monday, August 3, 2020 12:05:50 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[2020-07-0039.pdf](#)
[3944 Paulputs Pre Application v1-3 ABL 20200724.pdf](#)

Dear Thando.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

Type of Application: Pre-Application Meeting Request for 2 Part 2 amendment applications and 1 X application for EA;

Reference Number: 2020-07-0039;

Date Received: 31/07/2020;

Action Required: Decide on meeting request.

Kindly let Ephron know which date the meeting is to be held, if it will be set.

**EAP/Applicant: please use this reference number when submitting the application for EA/amendment application, as well as attached the approved PP Plan if the application requires a PP process.*

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Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries

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From: Ashleigh Blackwell <ashleighb@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2020 10:08
To: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@environment.gov.za>
Subject: Request for a Pre-Application Meeting for 2 Amendments and a Basic Assessment for the Paulputs WEF

For Attention:

Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations

Kindly see below and attached for your consideration.

WKN-WindCurrent ('WKN') under the SPV, Paulputs WEF (RF) (Pty) Ltd, received environmental

authorisation for the Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (WEF) on 11 December 2019, DEFF Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160.

Paulputs WEF is currently authorised for a maximum of 75 wind turbines with a total generation capacity of 300 MW, each with a maximum hub height of 140 m (rotor diameter height 180 m), one on-site substation (Option A) and an Overhead Power Line (grid connection) (Option C). Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (RE) (Pty) Ltd are proposing **to amend and split** the authorised Paulputs WEF into Paulputs North WEF and Paulputs South WEF.

Two EA amendment applications will be submitted to the DEFF (the Competent Authority). The Applicants (Paulputs North WEF (Pty) Ltd and Paulputs South WEF (Pty) Ltd) will request that the Department consider issuing three separate Environmental Authorisations for the amendments.

A Separate Basic Assessment process and Environmental Authorisation Application will be undertaken to authorise (1) a grid connection Option and (2) an on-site substation option for Paulputs South WEF. Paulputs South WEF (Pty) Ltd will request that the Department consider issuing two separate Environmental Authorisations for the Basic Assessment.

In this instance, and in accordance with any Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended (the Regulations), Arcus Consulting Services (Pty) Ltd, wishes to propose a virtual/online pre-application meeting with the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries, as the Competent Authority.

We look forward to further communication.

Kind Regards

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From: [Thando Boo](#)
To: [Ashleigh Blackwell](#)
Subject: RE: 2020-07-0039: Paulputs WEF Amendments and BAR PP Plan
Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 1:11:33 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

Dear Ashleigh

Please note that the Department has no mandate to approve the Public Participation Plan during alert level 2 of Covid-19. The direction that required submission of PPP during level 3 is no longer applicable in level 2. However, you are required to ensure that the EIA Regulations 2014 as amended are strictly followed and ensure that the disaster management directions which are still applicable are considered.

Kind regards

Thando Boo

Cell number: 066 156 0221

From: Ashleigh Blackwell [mailto:ashleighb@arcusconsulting.co.za]

Sent: Wednesday, 26 August 2020 12:26

To: Thando Boo

Subject: 2020-07-0039: Paulputs WEF Amendments and BAR PP Plan

Dear Thando,

Please find herewith attached the PP Plan for the 2020-07-0039: Paulputs WEF Amendments and BAR.

Please give me a call or send me an email should you wish to discuss anything further.

Have a great day,

Ashleigh Blackwell

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To: ["TBooi@environment.gov.za"](mailto:TBooi@environment.gov.za); ["SEkota@environment.gov.za"](mailto:SEkota@environment.gov.za); ["MYeni@environment.gov.za"](mailto:MYeni@environment.gov.za); ["MMonyai@environment.gov.za"](mailto:MMonyai@environment.gov.za); ["OLEtalo@environment.gov.za"](mailto:OLEtalo@environment.gov.za); ["StanleyT@environment.gov.za"](mailto:StanleyT@environment.gov.za); ["PMakitla@environment.gov.za"](mailto:PMakitla@environment.gov.za); [Dick, Jasper](#); [Mike Mangnall](#); [Rimbault, Lynsey](#); [Ashlin Bodasing](#); [Aneesah Alwie](#); [Mabin, Marshall](#)
Subject: 2020-07-0039: Paulputs WEF Amendments and BAR Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 12:28:00 PM
Attachments: [3944 Paulputs Pre-Application Meeting v2-0 ABL 20200826 combined.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Dear All Attendees,

Kindly find herewith attached a copy of the Pre-Application Meeting minutes, the attendance register and the meeting presentation that was discussed.

Action items have been included for consideration in the minutes.

Should you have any comments or questions, please contact myself, or email paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za

Kind regards,

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From: [Ashleigh Blackwell](#)
To: [Thando Boo](#)
Subject: REF: 2020-07-0039: PAULPUTS WEF AMENDMENTS AND BAR MOTIVATION AS PER REGULATION 11 OF THE NEMA EIA REGULATIONS (AS AMENDED)
Date: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:33:00 PM
Attachments: [20200824_WKNWC_Paulputs_Basic_Assessment.pdf](#)
[20200824_WKNWC_Paulputs_Part_2_Amendments.pdf](#)
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Good Afternoon Thando,

Thank you for your call this morning.

We have amended the following two letters as per our discussion. I trust you will find this in order.

Please let me know if anything is missing or unclear and we will gladly amend.

Kind Regards,

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Integrated Environmental Authorisations

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Pre-Application Meeting Reference Number: 2020-07-0039

02 September 2020

Attention: Case Officer: Thando Booï

**MOTIVATION AS PER REGULATION 11 OF THE NEMA EIA REGULATIONS (AS AMENDED)
TO COMBINE THE BASIC ASSESSMENT APPLICATION FOR THE PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY
FACILITY SOUTH SUBSTATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED GRID CONNECTION**

REQUEST TO ISSUE TWO SEPARATE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS AS PART OF
ONE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT AND APPLICATION.

WKN-WindCurrent ('WKN') under the SPV, Paulputs WEF (RF) (Pty) Ltd, received environmental authorisation for the Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (WEF) on 11 December 2019, DEFF Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160. Paulputs WEF is currently authorised for a maximum of 75 wind turbines with a total generation capacity of 300 MW, each with a maximum hub height of 140 m (rotor diameter height 180 m), one on-site substation (Option A) and an Overhead Power Line (grid connection) (Option C).

Two separate Part II Amendment Application is being undertaken to split the authorised Paulputs WEF into (1) Paulputs WEF North and (2) Paulputs WEF South - divided by the N14 National Highway. This letter addresses the Basic Assessment undertaken in respect of a 132 kV on-site substation and 132 kV Grid Connection for the Paulputs WEF South.

Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (Pty) Ltd ('Paulputs WEF South') are proposing the construction and operation of:

- Paulputs WEF South 132 kV, double circuit, loop-in/loop-out Grid Connection
- Paulputs WEF South 4 Ha on-site substation and battery storage.

Both the 132 kV grid connection and on-site substation were assessed as part of the approved Paulputs WEF (Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160), however the DEA:DEFF only considered the preferred alternative for the approval of the EA. The Applicant appeals to the DEA:DEFF to consider allowing for a combined Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application and Basic Assessment report to be submitted in terms of Regulation 11 (3) and Regulation 11 (4).

Regarding Regulation 11 (3 and 4) Motivation: The Applicant intends to undertake activities triggered in respect of the on-site substation, as well as activities triggered in respect of the grid connection, within the same development, of which both are located on the Paulputs WEF South site. The grid connection will terminate at the Paulputs Eskom Substation. The proposed development of the on-site substation and grid connection are interrelated - the development of one may not proceed without the other. Combining the on-site substation and grid connection into a single basic assessment report will be preferable to simplify the EA Application process.

Following the above motivation, the Applicant would require the receipt of separate EA's, as the Grid Connection EA is expected to be transferred to Eskom after construction of the overhead powerline.

Impacts (including cumulative impacts) in respect of the on-site substation and grid connection have already been assessed as part of the Approved Paulputs WEF. For the submission of this basic assessment application, the original assessments undertaken by independent specialists (August 2019) have been revisited and verified. Verification letters will be submitted, alongside the original assessments, with this basic assessment report.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the Department can expect the submission of one basic assessment EA application, for which two separate Environmental Authorisations is requested.

It would be duly appreciated if the above can be considered and allowed for by the DEA:DEFF. If there is any further information requested please do not hesitate to contact:

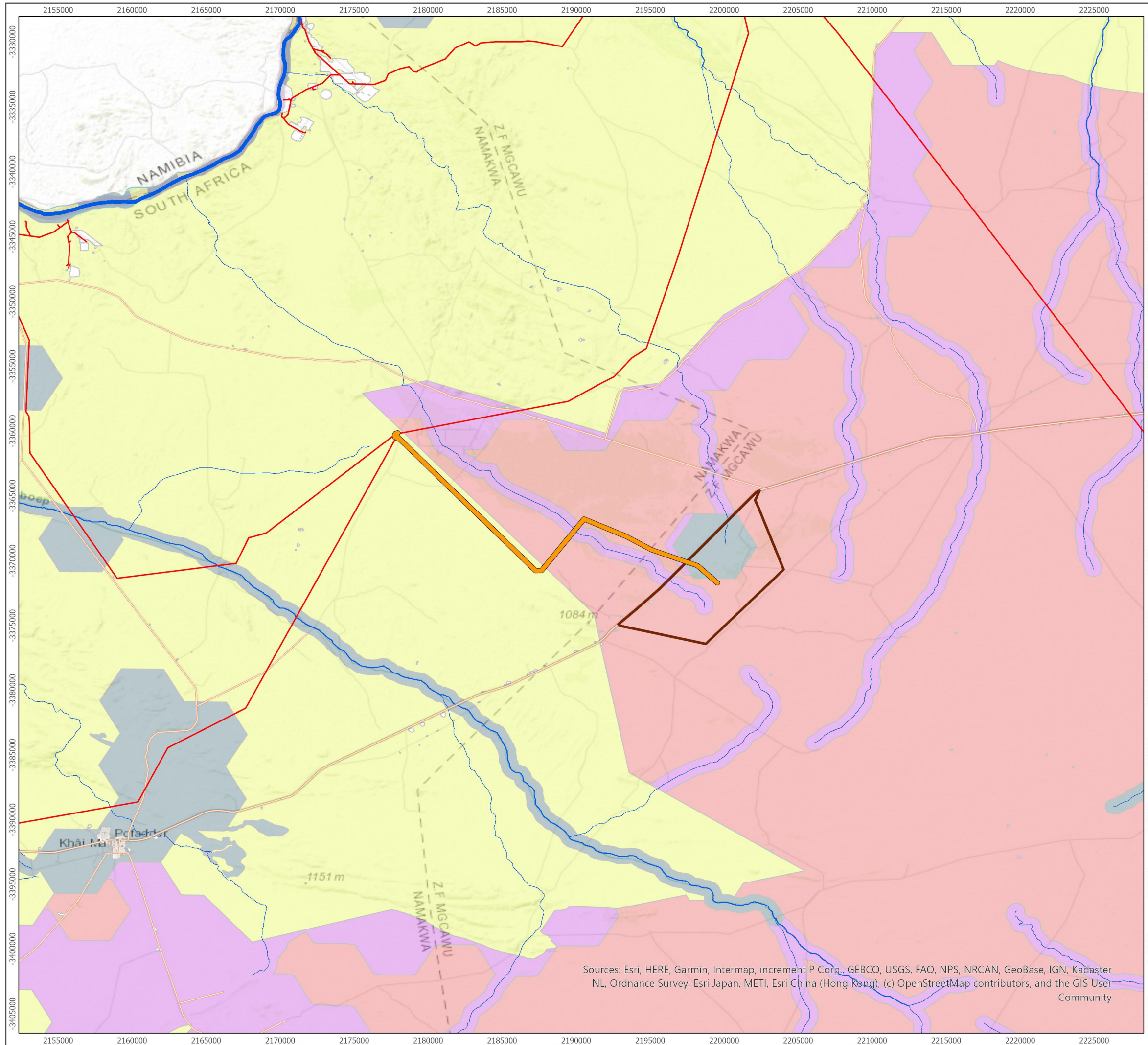
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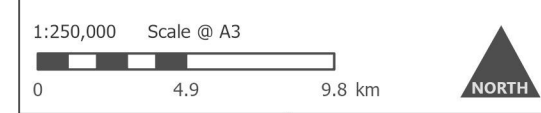
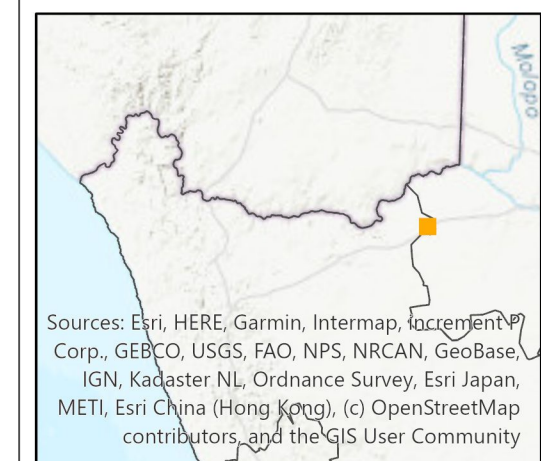
Yours Sincerely,

Jasper Dick

The proposed layout of the on-site substation and grid connection has been added to this request.



- Grid Connection Paulputs South WEF**
- Grid Connection Paulputs South WEF
 - Paulputs South WEF Boundary
 - Existing Eskom Lines
 - National Roads
 - NFEPA rivers**
 - 1
 - 5
 - 10
 - Northern Cape CBA Map**
 - Critical Biodiversity Area One
 - Critical Biodiversity Area Two
 - Ecological Support Area
 - Other Natural Areas
 - Protected Area



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Approved By: MB	Date: 2020/07/29

Locality

**Paulputs South WEF
Grid Connection**

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From: [EIAAdmin](#)
To: jasper@wkn-windcurrent.com; [Ashleigh Blackwell](#)
Cc: [Thando Boo](#); [EIAAdmin](#)
Subject: 14/12/16/3/1/7/150
Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 12:39:11 PM
Attachments: [14-12-16-3-1-7-150.pdf](#)

Good day.

Please find herein the attached letter for the above mentioned.

I hope you find all in order.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,
Integrated Environmental Authorisations:
IEM Systems and Tools Coordination
Tel (012) 399 8630 / 9370 / 9367
Email: EIAAdmin@environment.gov.za



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DEA Reference: 14/12/16/3/17/150

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PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Mr Dick

REQUEST TO SUBMIT A COMBINED APPLICATION FOR THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH 132kV DOUBLE CIRCUIT LOOP-IN/LOOP-OUT GRID CONNECTION AND PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH 4HA ON-SITE SUBSTATION AS WELL AS THE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM

The motivation letter requesting permission to submit a combined application for the Basic Assessment Report for the proposed Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South 132kV double circuit loop-in/loop-out grid connection and Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South 4ha on-site substation as well as the battery energy storage system (BESS) as received by this Department on 26 August 2020 as well as the additional information received on 02 September 2020, refer.

The Department has considered the information submitted in support of this request and has decided to grant WKN Wind Current SA (Pty) Ltd permission to submit one application for the abovementioned projects, in terms of Regulation 11(3) and 11(4) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended, which states that:

- *"If a proponent or applicant intends undertaking more than one activity as part of the same development within the area of jurisdiction of a competent authority, a single application must be submitted for such development and the assessment of impacts, including cumulative impacts, where applicable, and consideration of the application, undertaken in terms of these Regulations, will include an assessment of all such activities forming part of the development"*

and

- *"If one or more proponents intend undertaking interrelated activities at the same or different locations within the area of jurisdiction of a competent authority, the competent authority may, in writing, agree that the proponent or proponents submit a single application in respect of all of those activities and to conduct a consolidated assessment process but the potential environmental impacts of each activity, including its cumulative impacts, must be considered in terms of the location where the activity is to be undertaken"*

Furthermore; the applicant must comply with Regulation 11(5) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended, which states that:

- "Where a combined application is submitted as contemplated in these Regulations, the proponent must, prior to submission of the application, confirm with the competent authority the fee payable in terms of the applicable regulations for such combined application"

To comply with the aforementioned regulation 11(5) of the EIA Regulations as amended, the applicant must contact the Department at EIAAdmin@environment.gov.za for guidance.

The applicant is required to attach this approval letter on the application form on submission to the Department.

Should you have any queries or wish to discuss the points raised above, please do not hesitate to contact this Department on the contact details provided above

Yours faithfully



Mr Sabelo Malaza
Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environmental Affairs
Letter signed by: Ms Millicent Solomons
Designation: Director: Priority Infrastructure Projects
Date: 08/09/2020.

cc:	Ashleigh Blackwell	Arcus Consultancy Services (Pty) Ltd	Tel: (079) 895 1456	E-mail: ashleighb@arcusconsulting.co.za
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From: [paulputs](#)
To: [Michael Moreland](#)
Cc: [Javier Merry Nuñez](#)
Subject: Re: Paulputs Wind Project
Date: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 12:09:45 PM

Good Afternoon Mike,

Apologies for such a late response.

At present the project is on hold. We anticipate submitting the Application for this project in May. As such, we are only in the beginning stages of Environmental Authorisation and do not foresee this project impacting on your proposed works for later this year/early next.

Should the status of this change, I will keep you informed.

Have a great day.

Ashleigh

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From: Michael Moreland <michael.moreland@abengoa.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 11:26 AM
To: paulputs; Office
Cc: Javier Merry Nuñez
Subject: RE: Paulputs Wind Project

Good day Jackie

I am enquiring about the proposed Paulputs wind farm, our project is located in the North West corner of the map below.

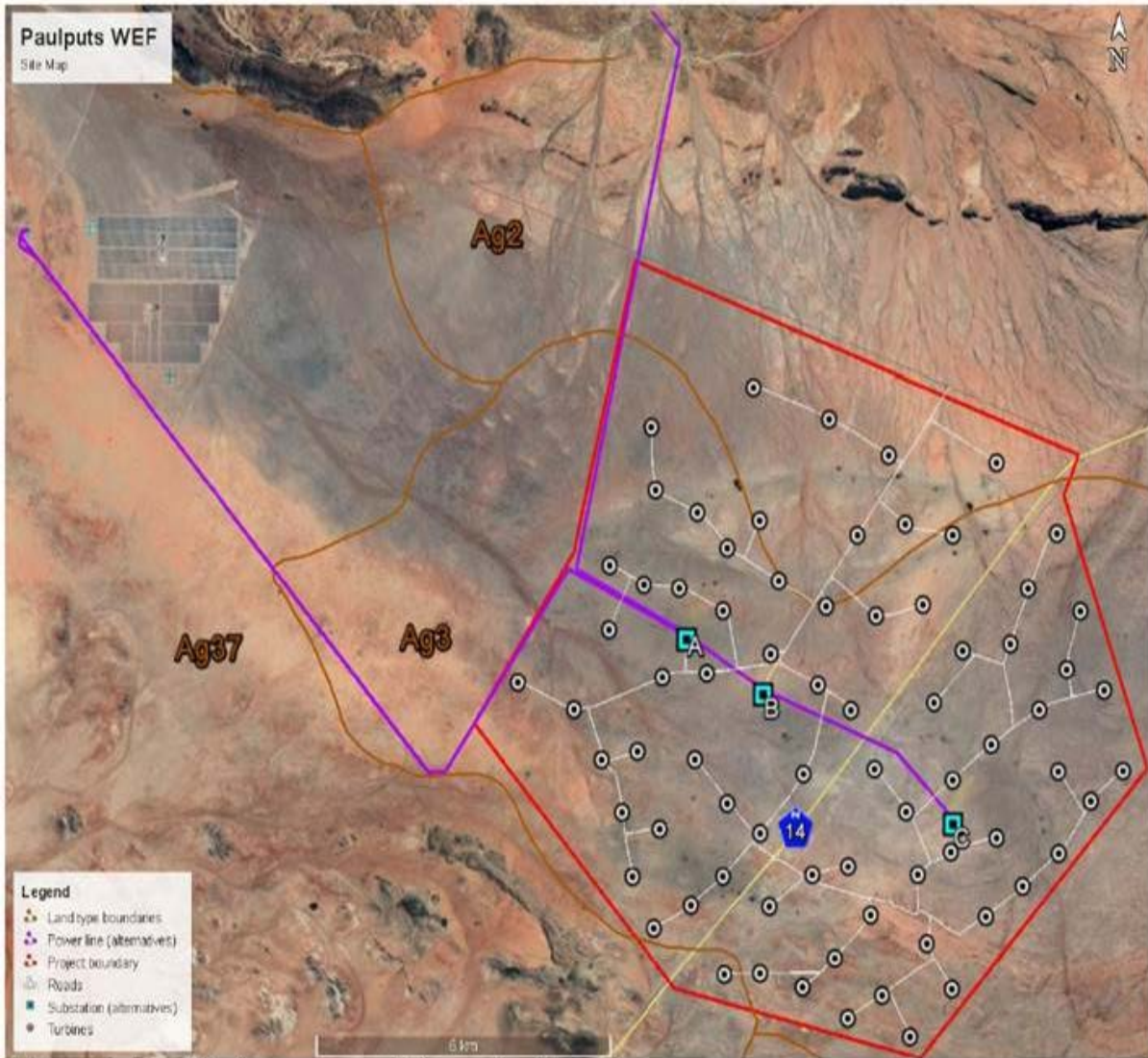


Figure 2. Satellite image map of the project layout.

We would like some information about the status of the project and planned commencement dates, we are planning some works at a high level for late 2021 and 2022 would like to know if the proposed project can potentially impact our planning regarding:

- Road accessibility
- Substation outage
- Dust fall out for construction during months with high winds (August)

Regards

Michael Victor Moreland

Environmental & Quality Manager

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Abengoa Solar

KaXu & Xina O&M



From: [paulputs](#)
To: claudiaj@cinfratec.co.za; tebogot@cinfratec.co.za
Bcc: [Ashlin Bodasing](#); [Ashleigh Blackwell](#)
Subject: Request to be registered as an I&AP for the Paulputs Project Development Process
Date: Monday, August 24, 2020 11:14:37 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Dear Claudia,

This e-mail is to confirm your e-mail addresses as received telephonically this morning.

DEFF Reference Numbers: To Be Confirmed

Older DEFF Reference Number: 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120

Nature and Location of Activity: The authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (WEF) and Grid Connection is located approximately 50 km north-east of Pofadder and approximately 80 km north-west of Kakamas, in the Northern Cape Province. Paulputs North Wind Energy Facility (RF) (Pty) Ltd intend to follow two Part II Amendment Processes and Paulputs South Wind Energy Facility (RF) (Pty) Ltd intend to follow a Part II Amendment and Basic Assessment Process.

Your details will be added to the Interested and Affected Party Database for this Project and you will receive all correspondence once the Public Participation Process to be undertaken in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, commences.

Thank You

Kind Regards

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From: [Salizwa Camagu](#)
To: [paulputs](#)
Cc: [Veronique Fyfe](#); [Caryn Clarke](#)
Subject: Registration as Interested and Affected Party(I&AP)
Date: Monday, June 14, 2021 2:41:55 PM

Hi Aneesah

Can you please register us as an I&AP for the following project:
Paulputs WEF and Grid Connection - 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120

Thanks,

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Salizwa Camagu | Environmental Intern

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From: [Salizwa Camagu](#)
To: [paulputs](#)
Subject: Re: Registration as Interested and Affected Party(I&AP)
Date: Monday, June 14, 2021 4:57:54 PM

In reference to the above mentioned please refer and forward the above request to Veronique Fyfe as the main contact point, using the following email address eia@g7energies.com

Thanks,

On Mon, 14 Jun 2021 at 14:41, Salizwa Camagu <salizwa@g7energies.com> wrote:

Hi Aneesah

Can you please register us as an I&AP for the following project:
Paulputs WEF and Grid Connection - 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120

Thanks,

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Salizwa Camagu | Environmental Intern

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Ashleigh von der Heyden

From: paulputs
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 6:00 PM
To: Ashleigh von der Heyden
Subject: Initial Notification: Proposed Amendments of the Paulputs Wind Energy Facility and Basic Assessment Process
Attachments: 3944_Paulputs_BID.PDF; 3944_Paulputs_I&AP Notification_ENG_v1-0_20201014.pdf; 3944_Paulputs_IAP Notification_ENG_v1-0_20201014 (003)_AFR.PDF

Dear Interested and Affected Parties

Project Title 1: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province.

Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd.

Project Title 2: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility 132kV grid connection,

Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd

Project Title 3: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province.

Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd

Project Title 4: Basic Assessment Report for the Proposed Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection & associated infrastructure, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd

You have been identified as an **Interested and Affected Party** for the Proposed Development(s), titled above, close to the town of Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province. This notification is to inform you that the Applicants, Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd and Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd will be submitting three (3) separate Environmental Authorisations by means of Part II Amendment processes and one (1) Environmental Authorisation by means of a Basic Assessment process to the competent authority, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment for a decision.

Attached is an Initial Notification Letter and Background Information Document for the proposed applications. Notification of submission of the Application Form(s) and Draft Report(s) will be sent to all registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). The Draft Report(s) will be made available on the website: <https://arcusconsulting.co.za/projects/> and for public review and comment once submitted (exact date and location of availability of each application to be confirmed in notification to all registered I&APs).

Should you wish to invite any other person to be registered as an I&AP, please submit their name, interest in the project, email and postal address and telephone number in writing to the below address:

Arcus Consultancy Services South Africa (Pty) Ltd

Arcus Reference : 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR

Person : Ashleigh von der Heyden

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Note: Due to the National COVID-19 Pandemic, measures will be put in place when the Draft Reports are available for public review in hard copy.

Thank you,

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Good Morning,

Kindly find attached.

Please note that Mr John Geeringh and Mpilo Masondo have also requested KMZs. Contacts included herein to this email.

Regards,

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Good Day

Can we kindly have the kmz files for the project.

Kind regards
Martina



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Thank you Thea, Noted. Janse has been registered as an I&AP.

Have a great day,

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Good day

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Kind regards

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Regards

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Date: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 6:02:59 PM

Good day

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Or

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Thank you

Warm regards
Khululwa



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Good day

For all enquiries please call the office at 053 807 5700 or email to Mr. Mokale pabalelo.mokale@dalrrd.gov.za or Ms. Romain natashia.romain@dalrrd.gov.za

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Kind regards

Ryan

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Ek het afgetree en u moet asseblief in die toekoms
Mnr Martin Arendse by martina@karsten.co.za kontak.
Sy telefoonnommer is: 054 - 4559500
Vriendelike Groete
Petro

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Good day Ashleigh,

Thank you for the information. Could you kindly send me kmz files of these proposed developments to see exactly where they are in relation to our infrastructure and future projects.

Regards,
Mpilo



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Please send me KMZ files of the proposed grid connections, affected properties and layout of the WEF's.

Kind regards

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Thank you Rene. You have been removed.

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Thank you for your application.

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In future, please forward all EIA correspondence to Nicole Abrahams at abrahamsn@nra.co.za for comment.

Kind regards

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Subject: Initial Notification: Proposed Amendments of the Paulputs Wind Energy Facility and Basic Assessment Process

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Thank you Kate. Noted.

I trust you are doing well in the USA.

Regards

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Dear Ashleigh

Please kindly take me off your I&AP mailing list and rather be in touch with the new SABAA chair – Kate (Eleanor) Richardson as to whether she would like to be the recipient of these notices or who should be at SABAA.

I now live in the USA.

Kind regards
Kate MacEwan

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
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Thank you Natasha. Noted

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Importance: Low

Good morning,

Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <http://sahra.org.za/sahris/>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.

Please create an application on SAHRIS for each EA application and upload all documents pertaining

to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA.

Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case applications, please ensure that the status of the cases is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

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Date: Friday, September 3, 2021 9:59:13 AM
Attachments: [14-12-16-3-3-2-1120-AM1.pdf](#)

Good day.

Please find herein the attached letter for the above mentioned.

I hope you find all in order.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Lydia Kutu

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PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Ms von der Heyden

COMMENTS ON THE APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 11 DECEMBER 2019 FOR THE 300MW PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) AND ASSOCIATED 132kV GRID CONNECTION, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above-mentioned project dated 11 December 2019, the application for amendment of the EA and the draft motivation report received by the Department on 05 August 2021 and the acknowledgement letter dated 11 August 2021, refer.

This letter serves to inform you that the following information must be included to the final Motivation Report:

Application form

- Ensure that all amendments to the EA are applied for and provided in section 6 on page 8 of 13 of the application form (e.g. the inclusion of Battery Energy Storage System in Paulputs North Wind Energy Facility) including the conditions to be removed with reasons for each amendment.
- In addition, please ensure that the amendments applied for in the application form are the same as the amendments described in the final Motivation report.
- You are advised to submit separate application forms for each facility (i.e. Paulput North and South) indicating the proposed amendment i.e. relevant component and its capacity, what has been removed, what has been approved and the amendments as well as reason for each amendment.
- It has been noted that the proposed amendment 3 in the application form on page 8 refer to 132kV grid connection while on page v of the motivational report, it has been indicated that this component would be removed. Please clarify that and ensure the proposed amendment are the same in both the application form and motivational report.
- The Department has noted that a certified EA or an affidavit that explains the unavailability of a certified EA is not appended to the application form. Therefore, you are required to provide certified EA or an original commissioned Affidavit/Affirmation under oath undertaken by the applicant and must be appended to the application form.

- Provide a letters of acceptance of responsibilities and obligations of the EA by the new holders of the requested resultant three EAs.

Draft Motivational Report

- You are advised to submit separate final amendment report for each facility (i.e. Paulput North and South) indicating the proposed amendment, potential impacts as a result of the amendments and its assessment, inputs from the specialists and their recommendations, etc.
- It has been mentioned on page 11 of the motivational report for Paulputs North that there is uncertainty regarding the preferred BESS choice and different BESS technology has been considered. You are advised to indicate the preferred BESS technology in the final amendment report as well as the description of the impacts assessment and how such impacts would be mitigated.
- On page 4 of the draft motivation reports (Paulputs North WEF, South WEF and Paulputs North WEF grid connection) it is stated that authorised Paulputs WEF, grid connection and substation was proposed to be located approximately 35km north-east of Pofadder while in the EA it is stated that the site is located 50km from north east of Pofadder. Please note that any change in detail in the EA must be applied for and a motivation for that amendment must be provided. Therefore, you are required to provide the correct details (distance) in the final amendment report taking into consideration the information in the EA and the FEIAR. In addition, amendment of such must be included in the amendment application if the information is incorrect.
- You are required to provide all the details of the original EA that relates to each of the splits and ensure that correct details of the EA are provided in the relevant splits.
- Furthermore, ensure that the total area of the development sites of the three splits tallies with the area of the development site as authorised in the EA.
- Ensure that all the properties affected by the authorised development are reflected correctly in relation to amendment 2 on page 6 of the Paulputs North WEF grid connection amendment report and page 7 of both Paulputs South and North WEF reports.
- It is indicated on page 9 of the draft motivation report (Paulputs North WEF) that the BESS will occupy temporary lay down area of 1,5ha whereas in the EA the laydown area is 1ha, please explain this discrepancy. The motivational report on page 1 indicated that the BESS will be located in the area authorised for temporary laydown. Therefore, you are advised to amend this and ensure the BESS located is shown on the final layout for this facility in relation to the approved laydown area location.
- You are required to confirm whether or not the double circuit 132 kV loop in loop out grid connection was assessed in the original EIA and is located within the assessed 300m corridor. Furthermore, you are required to indicate if there would be additional impacts as a result of this.
- On page 9 of the grid connection amendment report, you have included a 300m corridor. Please confirm whether the original EIA assessment assessed 300m corridor and refer to the relevant pages in the initial reports. Ensure that any change in the detail of the original EA is applied for and a motivation is provided for that change and an indication of the assessment of such. If not assessed, you are advised to verify if the changes would not trigger a listed activity in order to obtain authorisation through the correct process.
- Ensure that amendment 3 on page 8 of the amendment report (Paulputs North WEF) is stated correctly.
- It has been noted on page 48-49 of the reports (Paulputs North WEF and South WEF) that you have recommended inclusion of conditions to the EAs, you are required to provide a motivation for inclusion of these conditions to the EA.
- The Department has noted on page 16 of the reports (Paulputs North and South WEF) that you are requesting condition 13 of the EA to be retained in the resultant splits (Paulputs North WEF and South WEF) but condition 14 and 15 to be removed from the EA. Please note that the three conditions are linked, therefore all three conditions must be complied with prior to the approval of the EMPr.
- You have requested the deletion of condition 19-20, please confirm whether an audit report has been compiled for this development as these conditions require a compilation of an audit report and condition 21 22 and 23 are linked to the two aforementioned conditions. In addition, it must be noted that if the audit was

undertaken, it was for facility prior the splitting, therefore, this should be communicated and agreed with the relevant authority undertaking the audit of the development prior removing such conditions.

- In the grid connection draft motivation report, you have requested the deletion of condition 14 of the EA and indicated that a generic EMPr will be submitted for approval instead. Please note that the generic EMPr is required for new applications for EA that trigger activity 11 of Listing Notice 1 and activity 09 of Listing Notice 2 not for an amendment application.
- Additionally, a generic EMPr is not required for the (Paulputs North WEF grid connection) rather an EMPr that is derived from the original EMPr taking into consideration the proposed amendments.
- Furthermore, generic EMPrs have been appended to the reports (Paulput North WEF grid connection and Paulput North WEF), please note that a generic EMPr is only required for a new application for EA that triggers activity 11 of Listing Notice 1 and activity 09 of Listing Notice 2. Therefore, ensure that the Paulputs North WEF EMPr includes onsite substation.
- Ensure that a layout map is provided for each of the splits requested, with clear legend that reflect details on the map, showing sensitive areas and buffers, existing and proposed structures.

Public participation

- Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the final Motivation reports. This includes but not limited to the Northern Cape Department of Environment and Conservation, South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment: Directorate Biodiversity and Conservation at BCAdmin@environment.gov.za; Department of Rural Development and Land Reform; Khâi Ma Local Municipality, Kai !Garib Local Municipality, Namakwa District Municipality and Department of Water and Sanitation; Department of Transport, Roads and Public Works; ESKOM; Air Traffic and Navigation Services SOC Limited (ATNS); Civil Aviation Authority; Department of Social Development; SENTECH; Telkom SA Limited; Southern African Large Telescope (SALT); Birdlife South Africa and South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO).
- Furthermore, ensure that all issues raised and comments received during the circulation of the draft motivation reports from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the final motivation report.
- Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final motivation report. This must indicate that this draft motivation report has been subjected to 30 days public participation process, stating the start and end date of the PPP. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.

General

You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 32(1)(a) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that: *"The applicant must within 90 days of receipt by the competent authority of the application made in terms of regulation 31, submit to the competent authority -*

(a) a report, reflecting—

(i) an assessment of all impacts related to the proposed change;

(ii) advantages and disadvantages associated with the proposed change; and

(iii) measures to ensure avoidance, management and mitigation of impacts associated with such proposed change; and

(iv) any changes to the EMPr;

which report-

(aa) had been subjected to a public participation process, which had been agreed to by the competent authority, and which was appropriate to bring the proposed change to the attention of potential and registered interested and affected parties, including organs of state, which have jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the relevant activity, and the competent authority, and

(bb) reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority."

Should there be significant changes or new information that has been added to the motivation report or EMPr which changes or information was not contained in the reports or plans consulted on during the initial public participation process, you are required to comply with Regulation 32(1)(b) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states: *“the applicant must, within 90 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority – (b) a notification in writing that the report will be submitted within 140 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, as significant changes have been made or significant new information has been added to the report, which changes or information was not contained in the report consulted on during the initial public participation process contemplated in subregulation (1)(a) and that the revised report will be subjected to another public participation process of at least 30 days”*.

In the event where subregulation (1)(b) applies, the report, which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority, must be submitted to the competent authority within 140 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority.

Should you fail to meet any of the timeframes stipulated in Regulation 32 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, your application will lapse.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely



Mr Sabelo Malaza

Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations

Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

Signed by: Ms Olivia Letlalo

Designation: Deputy Director: Priority Infrastructure Projects

Date: 02/09/2021

cc:	Mr Alan Wolfrohm	Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (RF) (Pty) Ltd	E-mail: MrWolf@wkn-windcurrent.com
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Dear Ms. Von der Heyden

Please receive the attached comments from Directorate :Biodiversity Conservation for your attention and implementation.

Trust that you find all in order.

Regards,
Ms M Rabothata
Tel: 012 399 9174

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PER E-MAIL

Dear Ms Von der Heyden

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE AUTHORISED PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) NORTH 132KV GRID CONNECTION, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the aforementioned draft report.

Based on the information provided in the report, the Paulputs WEF North Grid Connection overlaps with CBA 2 area and development within this area is permitted as it is regarded as near-natural or degraded area. Thus, Paulputs North Grid Connection will occupy the same footprint between the site and the substation to the north-east in the same area to the original footprint. Therefore, the site description and attributes associated with this amendment will remain unchanged.

Notwithstanding the above, the following recommendations must be considered in the final report:

- Sensitive habitats in close proximity to the development footprint must be avoided or demarcated as No-Go area i.e. breeding nests and drainage lines.
- Appropriate buffer must be established around medium sensitive habitats i.e. Wetlands and Rivers).
- Suitable bird repelling structures and bird diverters must be considered to avoid collision of birds with the grid connection.
- Rehabilitation Plan that guides planting and seeding with indigenous perennial shrubs and succulents from the local area must be developed to avoid erosion and alien invasion.



COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE AUTHORISED PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY NORTH 132KV GRID CONNECTION, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

In conclusion please note that all Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of **Mr Seoka Lekota**.

Yours faithfully



Mr. Seoka Lekota
Control Biodiversity Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation
Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment
Date: 01/09/21



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Reference: 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120

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PER E-MAIL

Dear Ms Von der Heyden

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PART 2 EA AMENDMENT APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED 150 MW PAULPUTS WEF NORTH AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the aforementioned draft report.

Based on the information provided in the report, the amended layout of the Paulputs North WEF is located in a similar area to the original footprint and there are no turbines in High or Very High sensitivity areas. Thus, no fatal flaws are to be anticipated in this regard.

Notwithstanding the above, the following recommendations must be considered in the final report:

- Search and rescue plan must be developed for any TOPs or species of conservation concern that have the likelihood of occurring in the study area.
- Appropriate buffer must be established around medium sensitive habitats (i.e. Wetlands and Rivers).
- Sensitive habitats in close proximity to the development footprint must be avoided or demarcated as No-Go area i.e. breeding nests and drainage lines.
- Suitable bird repelling structures and bird diverters must be considered to avoid collision of birds with the PV facility.
- Pre and Post Construction Bats monitoring must be conducted.

The final report must comply with all the requirements as outlined in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) guideline for renewable energy projects and the Best Practice Guideline for Birds &



COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PART 2 EA AMENDMENT APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED 150 MW PAULPUTS WEF NORTH AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

Solar Energy for assessing and monitoring the impact of solar energy facilities on birds in Southern Africa.

In conclusion please note that all Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of **Mr Seoka Lekota**.

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PER E-MAIL

Dear Ms Ashleigh Von der Heyden

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE AUTHORISED PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the aforementioned draft report.

Based on the information provided in the report, the proposed amendment falls within the southern portion previously assessed as part of the authorised footprint of the Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (WEF). Therefore, the layout changes will not encroach on any areas having an elevated sensitivity.

Notwithstanding the above, the following recommendations must be considered in the final report:

- Pre-construction walk-through of the approved development footprint must be conducted to ensure that sensitive habitats and species are avoided where possible.
- Search and rescue plan must be developed for any TOPs or species of conservation concern that have the likelihood of occurring in the study area.
- Sensitive habitats in close proximity to the development footprint must be avoided or demarcated as No-Go area i.e. breeding nests and drainage lines.
- Appropriate buffer must be established around medium sensitive habitats i.e. Wetlands and rivers.
- Suitable bird repelling structures and bird diverters must be considered to avoid collision of birds with the PV facility.
- Birds and Bats Pre and Post construction monitoring plan must be developed.



COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE AUTHORISED PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The final report must comply with all the requirements as outlined in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) guideline for renewable energy projects and the Best Practice Guideline for Birds & Solar Energy for assessing and monitoring the impact of solar energy facilities on birds in Southern Africa.

In conclusion please note that all Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of **Mr Seoka Lekota**.

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Date: 01/09/21

From: [Christoff du Plessis](#)
To: [paulputs](#)
Cc: [Elbi Bredenkamp](#)
Subject: RE: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.
Date: Thursday, September 2, 2021 4:12:16 PM
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Good Day Ashleigh

I trust you are well.

Apologies for my delayed response, it been crazy on our side.

I had a discussion with XiNa Solar One as well as KaXu Solar One, and their main concerns are as follow:

1. We have given it some consideration and would like to raise the following, key concerns being soiling and shading.
 - **Shading:** Will the developer complete a shading study to ensure that morning solar radiation is not obstructed to the nearby IPP solar facilities.
 - **Soiling:** Will the developer conduct a dust study during construction as well as conduct continuous mitigation and dust monitoring activities so as to not induce soiling on the nearby solar facilities.
 - **Downstream Wind Impacts:** The exact setbacks are unclear from the map but will these be clearly defined and will the developer complete a study on the downstream impact of wind and wake effects on the nearby solar facilities to ensure that abnormal wind loading is not induced on the existing solar facility as a result of newly developed wind project. This concern is raised not only for solar collectors but also to understand the impact on Air Cooled Condenser efficiency, if in close proximity.
 - **Tx Connection:** Will the connection of the nearby solar facility's be interrupted at any point for the connection of the new substation and lines.
 - **Road Access:** Will the additional traffic during construction impact on normal road use and plant access to the nearby solar facilities.

Can you please acknowledge receipt of this email?

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

I hope you have a blessed week.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike Groete

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Sent: Tuesday, 17 August 2021 09:27

To: Christoff du Plessis <christoff@enviroworks.co.za>; paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>

Subject: RE: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.

Good Morning Christoff,

Doing fantastic thanks for asking. I trust you are well as well? Always nice hearing from other EAPs.

Super. You have been registered on our database.

Should there be anything that you would like clarity on, I would be happy to set up a meeting to discuss? This way the team can make sure that all comments/concerns are adequately addressed prior to the submission of the final amendments and BAR.

Please do let me know.

Have a super day.

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Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 7:53 AM
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Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.

Good Morning Ashleigh

I trust you are well.

Enviroworks would like to register as an Interested and Affected Party on behalf of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd on the following:

1. **Project Title 1: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd;**
2. **Project Title 2: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility 132kV grid connection, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd;**
3. **Project Title 3: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd; and,**
4. **Project Title 4: Basic Assessment Report for the Proposed Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection & associated infrastructure, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd.**

We are in process of assessing the impacts that the proposed development will have on the XiNa Solar One Power Generation Facility and will provide comments before the closing date of the Notification Period.

Can you please confirm receipt of this email.

I hope you find the above mentioned in order, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike Groete

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Good Morning,

A CD copy can be couriered to you. Please provide a forwarding address.

Kindly note however, that the 30 –day I&AP comment period for the project closes tomorrow 02 September.

Regards,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 11:16 AM
To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: RE: Notification of Resubmission of Application and unchanged Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection and Paulputs South WEF Substation

Good day

Kindly forward the hardcopy due to fact that our internet is on and off.

Regards
Alexia

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: Monday, 30 August 2021 17:04
To: Hlengani Alexia (UPN) <HlenganiA@dws.gov.za>; paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: RE: Notification of Resubmission of Application and unchanged Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection and Paulputs South WEF Substation

Good Afternoon,

As per the Notification below, you are directed to view Copies of the Draft Reports (which contain the relevant maps) at the following locations:

- Pofadder Library; and
- Arcus Website: www.arcusconsulting.co.za/projects.

The proposed development occurs within the following catchments within the Nama Karoo ecoregion:

- D81E Samoep
- D81F Kaboep

The above-mentioned mainstem catchment systems are short tributaries of the Orange (Gariep) River, which are largely ephemeral alluvial systems

Regards,

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Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2021 11:55 AM
To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: RE: Notification of Resubmission of Application and unchanged Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection and Paulputs South WEF Substation

Good day

Kindly note that the attached doesn't show the locality so that the Department can check if is under Vaal or Orange.

Regards
Alexia

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: Friday, 20 August 2021 21:27
To: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: Notification of Resubmission of Application and unchanged Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection and Paulputs South WEF Substation

Dear Interested and Affected Party,

NOTIFICATION OF RESUBMISSION OF TWO BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

THE PROPOSED BASIC ASSESSMENT FOR PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH (PTY) LTD 132KV GRID CONNECTION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

AND

THE PROPOSED BASIC ASSESSMENT FOR PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH (PTY) LTD SUBSTATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (RF) (Pty) Ltd ('PWEF'), a wholly owned subsidiary of WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd, was granted environmental authorisation for the 300MW (75 turbines) Paulputs Wind Energy Facility (WEF) and its associated 132kV OHPL on 11 December 2019 by the Department Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) (Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120). As part of the original Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), three alternative OHPL options (A, B and C) and three alternative onsite substation options (A, B and C) were assessed. The Competent Authority (CA), DEFF, chose to only issue a favourable authorisation for the preferred OHPL option 'C' and onsite substation option 'A'.

To comply with the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) bidding requirements, the abovementioned 300MW Paulputs WEF is being split into the 150MW Paulputs South WEF and the 150MW Paulputs North WEF (being split as part of a separate amendment application). The authorised OHPL option 'C' and on-site substation option 'A' will be used for Paulputs North WEF and a new authorisation for additional electrical infrastructure is now required to connect

Paulputs South WEF to the National Grid.

In effect of the above, Paulputs South (the Applicant) intend to apply for two separate Environmental Authorisations for the construction and operation of the proposed development, which includes: A 132 kV, double circuit, loop-in/loop-out Grid Connection and 4.4 ha substation yard comprising: 1.2 ha on-site substation, 1 ha for offices, 1.2ha battery energy storage systems (BESS), and 1 ha permanent laydown area.

On 03 August 2021, a combined application for both the grid connection and substation was submitted, and two separate Environmental Authorisation reference numbers was requested from the DFFE. The DFFE acknowledged this application in compliance with the NEMA EIA Regulations on 04 August 2021. The same day, this application was then rejected siting that a combined application could not be accepted. As a result, Arcus have resubmitted the same reports and appendices, however split the combined application into two:

- **Application One:** A 132 kV, double circuit, loop-in/loop-out Grid Connection; and
- **Application Two:** 4.4 ha substation yard comprising: 1.2 ha on-site substation, 1 ha for offices, 1.2ha battery energy storage systems (BESS), and 1 ha permanent laydown area

Public Participation for the **Draft Reports remain unchanged. No changes have been made to the contents of the Draft Reports.** The Draft Reports have been made available for public review and comment from the **Monday, 02 August 2021 to Thursday, 02 September 2021 (both days inclusive).** The reports are subjected to compliance in accordance with EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998 – NEMA). These reports and applications have been submitted under Chapter 4 (basic assessment). Moreover the processes take into consideration Chapter 2 Regulation 3 (1); (2) and (3) of the NEMA, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998).

Copies of the Draft Reports have been made available at the following locations:

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With reference to the proposed **02 September 2021** to the below address:

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Good morning,

The cases have been uploaded correctly. Please confirm that the following case was the original EA application for all cases:

<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/paulputs-wind-energy-facility-northern-cape-province>

Kind regards,

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: 04 August 2021 10:16
To: Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>
Subject: RE: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection

Good Morning Natasha,

I trust you are well?

All cases have been uploaded on SAHRIS. Can you please confirm if they have been uploaded correctly?

Thank you,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 9:42 AM
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Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: RE: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection
Importance: Low

Good morning,

Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <http://sahra.org.za/sahris/>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.

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For the amendments: If cases for the original EAs exist on SAHRIS, please create new applications and reference the original applications in the Proposal Description of the application.

Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case applications, please ensure that the status of the cases is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: 02 August 2021 20:14
To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection

Dear Stakeholder

NOTIFICATION OF THREE PART II AMENDMENT PROCESSES AND A NEW BASIC

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Notice is hereby given for each project. You are identified as the Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) / Stakeholder for the following four projects:

1. 150MW Paulputs WEF North and Associated Infrastructure – Amendment Application 1
2. 132kV Grid Connection for Paulputs WEF North – Amendment Application 2
3. 150 MW Paulputs WEF South and Associated Infrastructure - Amendment Application 3
4. A Separate Basic Assessment process and Environmental Authorisation will be undertaken to authorise a 132kV Grid connection, On-site substation and Battery Energy Storage as part of the Paulputs South WEF. Both the grid connection and substation were assessed as part of the approved Paulputs WEF (Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160)

Public Participation Process (PPP) will be undertaken in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended. Kindly find the Notification Letters for the respective projects attached.

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

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- Volume I - Draft Reports (Amendment / BA Report)
Volume II - Specialist Statements and / or Report

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Paulputs WEF Part II Amendments: <https://arcusconsulting.co.za/projects/paulputs-wef-part-ii-amendments/>

Paulputs South WEF 132kV Grid Connection (BA Process):
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With reference to the proposed projects, please send your comments on the Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report in writing or verbally on or before the **01 September 2021** using the following platforms:

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Good morning,

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Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case applications, please ensure that the status of the cases is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: 20 August 2021 21:27
To: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: Notification of Resubmission of Application and unchanged Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection and Paulputs South WEF Substation

Dear Interested and Affected Party,

NOTIFICATION OF RESUBMISSION OF TWO BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

THE PROPOSED BASIC ASSESSMENT FOR PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH (PTY) LTD 132KV GRID CONNECTION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

AND

THE PROPOSED BASIC ASSESSMENT FOR PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY SOUTH (PTY) LTD SUBSTATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

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To comply with the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) bidding requirements, the abovementioned 300MW Paulputs WEF is being split into the 150MW Paulputs South WEF and the 150MW Paulputs North WEF (being split as part of a separate amendment application). The authorised OHPL option 'C' and on-site substation option 'A' will be used for Paulputs North WEF and a new authorisation for additional electrical infrastructure is now required to connect Paulputs South WEF to the National Grid.

In effect of the above, Paulputs South (the Applicant) intend to apply for two separate Environmental Authorisations for the construction and operation of the proposed development, which includes: A 132 kV, double circuit, loop-in/loop-out Grid Connection and 4.4 ha substation yard comprising: 1.2 ha on-site substation, 1 ha for offices, 1.2ha battery energy storage systems (BESS), and 1 ha permanent laydown area.

On 03 August 2021, a combined application for both the grid connection and substation was submitted, and two separate Environmental Authorisation reference numbers was requested from the DFFE. The DFFE acknowledged this application in compliance with the NEMA EIA Regulations on 04 August 2021. The same day, this application was then rejected stating that a combined application could not be accepted. As a result, Arcus have resubmitted the same reports and appendices, however split the combined application into two:

- **Application One:** A 132 kV, double circuit, loop-in/loop-out Grid Connection; and
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Public Participation for the **Draft Reports remain unchanged. No changes have been made to the contents of the Draft Reports.** The Draft Reports have been made available for public review and comment from the **Monday, 02 August 2021 to Thursday, 02 September 2021 (both days inclusive).** The reports are subjected to compliance in accordance with EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998 – NEMA). These reports and applications have been submitted under Chapter 4 (basic assessment). Moreover the processes take into consideration Chapter 2 Regulation 3 (1); (2) and (3) of the NEMA, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998).

Copies of the Draft Reports have been made available at the following locations:

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Orton, J. 2020. Paulputs Wind Energy Facility Split: Heritage Considerations

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The specialist has confirmed that no heritage resources were previously identified near the proposed project components. The following recommendations were provided:

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A draft Amendment Assessment Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 NEMA EIA Regulations. The proposed amendments include the splitting of the original EA into three EAs (North, South and a separate EA for the grid infrastructure). Other amendments include the increase in blade length and hub heights of the wind turbines. The Paulputs North WEF will consist of 35 turbines associated infrastructure on the south east side of the N14. The turbine layout has been altered slightly.

SAHRIS Case ID 13356 has reference (<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/paulputs-wind-energy-facility-northern-cape-province>). In a Final Comment issued on the 16/08/2019, SAHRA noted no objections to the development and provided conditions (<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/527055>).

ASHA Consulting has been appointed to provide heritage specialist input as part of the EA Amendment process as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA, and in terms of section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) as required by section 38(8) of the NHRA.

Orton, J. 2020. Paulputs Wind Energy Facility Split: Heritage Considerations

The specialist has confirmed that no heritage resources will be impacted by the project design and no change in the impact ratings will occur. The specialist stated that the pre-construction survey of the road layout will still need to be conducted as recommended in the original HIA.

Final Comment

The following comments are made as a requirement in terms of section 3(4) of the NEMA Regulations and section 38(8) of the NHRA in the format provided in section 38(4) of the NHRA and must be included in the Final Amendment Report and EMPr:

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- 38(4)a – The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) has no objections to the proposed amendment to the authorised development;
- 38(4)b – The recommendations of the specialists are supported and must be adhered to. Further additional specific conditions are provided for the development as follows:
- The conditions contained in the Final Comment issued on the 16/08/2019 on SAHRIS Case ID 13356 (<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/527055>) are still valid and must be adhered to;
- 38(4)c(i) – If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed development, SAHRA APM Unit (Natasha Higgitt/Phillip Hine 021 462 5402) must be alerted as per section 35(3) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;
- 38(4)c(ii) – If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit (Thingahangwi Tshivhase/Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490), must be alerted immediately as per section 36(6) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;
- 38(4)d – See section 51(1) of the NHRA;
- 38(4)e – The following conditions apply with regards to the appointment of specialists:
 - i) If heritage resources are uncovered during the course of the development, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the heritage resource. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA;
 - The Final Amendment Report and EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes;
 - The decision regarding the EA Amendment Application must be communicated to SAHRA and uploaded to the SAHRIS Case application.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
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Dear Stakeholder

NOTIFICATION OF THREE PART II AMENDMENT PROCESSES AND A NEW BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Notice is hereby given for each project. You are identified as the Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) / Stakeholder for the following four projects:

1. 150MW Paulputs WEF North and Associated Infrastructure – Amendment Application 1
2. 132kV Grid Connection for Paulputs WEF North – Amendment Application 2
3. 150 MW Paulputs WEF South and Associated Infrastructure - Amendment Application 3
4. A Separate Basic Assessment process and Environmental Authorisation will be undertaken to authorise a 132kV Grid connection, On-site substation and Battery Energy Storage as part of the Paulputs South WEF. Both the grid connection and substation were assessed as part of the approved Paulputs WEF (Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160)

Public Participation Process (PPP) will be undertaken in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended. Kindly find the Notification Letters for the respective projects attached.

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

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- Volume I - Draft Reports (Amendment / BA Report)
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Paulputs WEF Part II Amendments: <https://arcusconsulting.co.za/projects/paulputs-wef-part-ii-amendments/>

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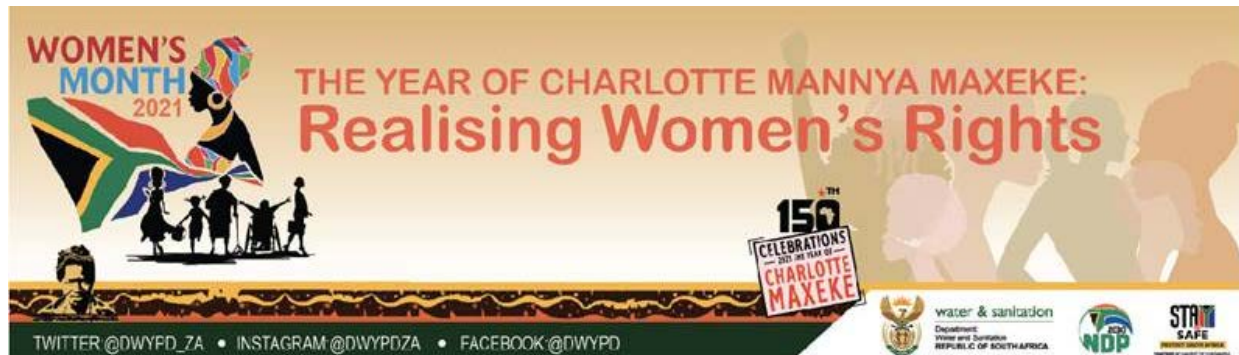
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Dear Ms von der Heyden

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL
AUTHORISATION FOR THE 300MW PAULPUTS WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) AND ASSOCIATED
132Kv GRID CONNECTION, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Department confirms having received the application for amendment of the Environmental Authorisation for the abovementioned project on 05 August 2021.

Please note that your application for amendment of the environmental authorisation falls within the ambit of amendments to be applied for in terms of Part 2 of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended. You are therefore referred to Regulation 32 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended.

Further note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted in terms of Regulation 3(7) of these Regulations.

Yours sincerely

Mr Sabelo Malaza
Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
Letter signed by: Mr Mahlatse Shubane
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Regards

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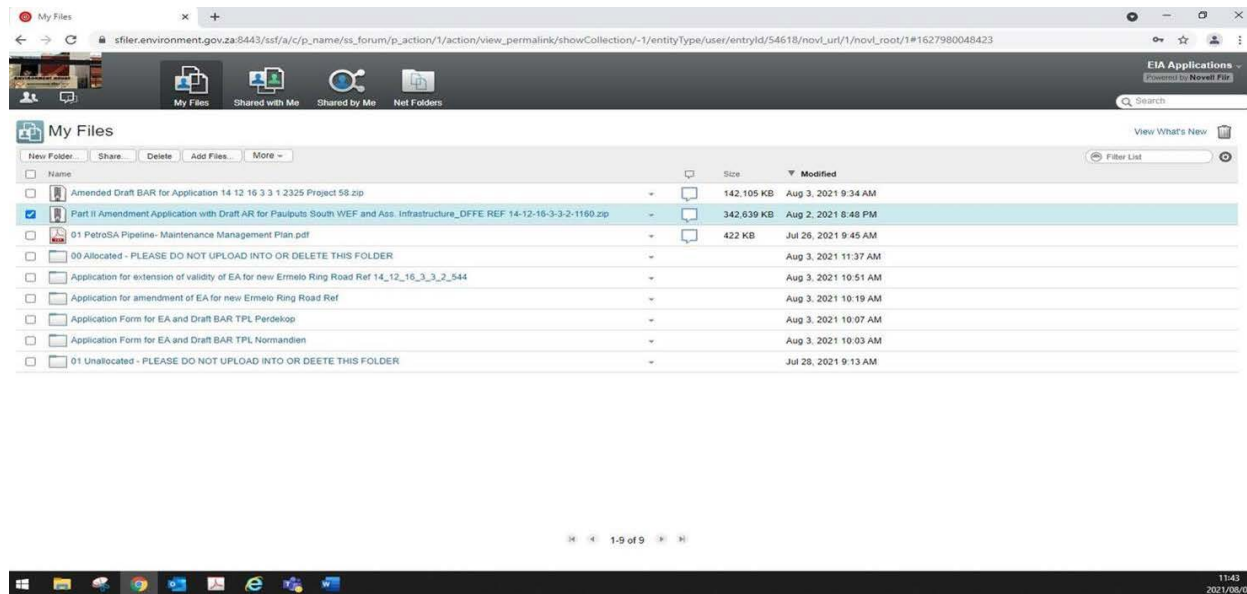
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Dear Sir/ Madam

Please note that a Part II EA Amendment Application and Draft Amendment Report (including appendices) for the Paulputs South WEF has been uploaded onto the system. Attached is the relevant document control form and a cover letter regarding the Application and Report submitted. Provided below is the relevant screenshot of the upload for the Application.



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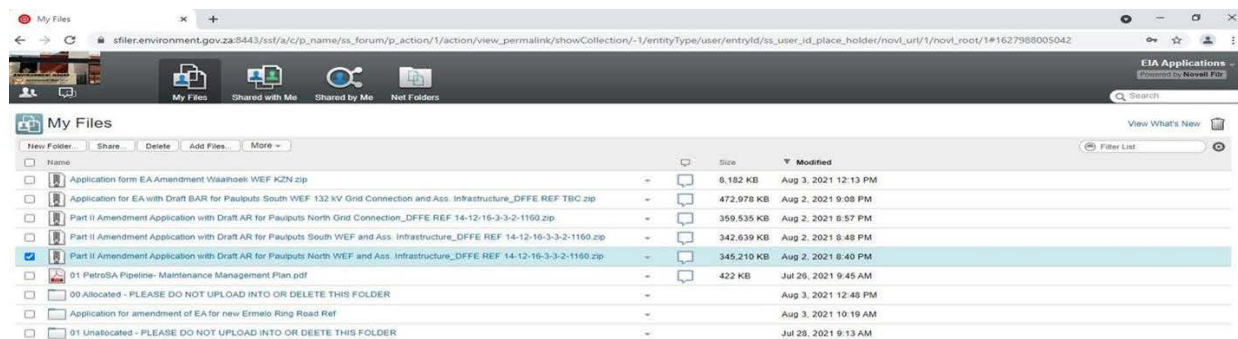
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To: [paulputs](#)
Cc: [Itumeleng Mashune](#); [Batlang Lekalake](#); [Deidre Koopman](#)
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Good Afternoon,

I would like to ask if there has been any change in the properties involved, as per initial e-mails circulated in January 2020.

At that time we indicated that our department, DRDLR (now known as the DALRRD) was not the owner of any of the properties involved/ identified.

We noted that there *may* be communities (as identified in terms of the Transformation of Certain Rural Areas Act – TRANCRAA) that might be impacted; You were subsequently referred to Mr Itumeleng Mashune for further engagement/ confirmation (if neighbouring farms form part of TRANCRAA land, and if so, contact details for relevant community representatives).

If there have been any changes in properties, please provide that information, i.e. complete property description(s) which would include farm number, name and Registration Division (RD), to myself and Deidre Koopman (also copied in this e-mail), so we can confirm ownership and respond accordingly.

Kind Regards
Cindy
(053) 830 4000/24
092 927 6010

From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Sent: 02 August 2021 20:14
To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection

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Dear Stakeholder

NOTIFICATION OF THREE PART II AMENDMENT PROCESSES AND A NEW BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Notice is hereby given for each project. You are identified as the Interested and Affected Party

(I&AP) / Stakeholder for the following four projects:

1. 150MW Paulputs WEF North and Associated Infrastructure – Amendment Application 1
2. 132kV Grid Connection for Paulputs WEF North – Amendment Application 2
3. 150 MW Paulputs WEF South and Associated Infrastructure - Amendment Application 3
4. A Separate Basic Assessment process and Environmental Authorisation will be undertaken to authorise a 132kV Grid connection, On-site substation and Battery Energy Storage as part of the Paulputs South WEF. Both the grid connection and substation were assessed as part of the approved Paulputs WEF (Reference No. 14/12/16/3/3/2/1160)

Public Participation Process (PPP) will be undertaken in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended. Kindly find the Notification Letters for the respective projects attached.

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The Draft Reports are available for public review and comment for 30 days from the **Monday, 02 August 2021 to Wednesday, 01 September 2021 (both days inclusive)** in hard copy and online (electronic copy), as per the below:

- Volume I - Draft Reports (Amendment / BA Report)
- Volume II - Specialist Statements and / or Report

Electronic Copy Access:

Paulputs WEF Part II Amendments: <https://arcusconsulting.co.za/projects/paulputs-wef-part-ii-amendments/>

Paulputs South WEF 132kV Grid Connection (BA Process):

<https://arcusconsulting.co.za/projects/paulputs-south-wef-132kv-grid-connection/>

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With reference to the proposed projects, please send your comments on the Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report in writing or verbally on or before the **01 September 2021** using the following platforms:

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From: [Shalot Sekonko](#)
To: [paulputs](#)
Cc: [MMatlala Rabothata](#); [Tsholofelo Shalot Sekonko](#)
Subject: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection
Date: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 12:00:28 PM

Dear Sir/Madam

DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the Notification of availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Ms Rabothata (both copied on this email) and myself.

Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries will be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for the attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.

Regards
Ms Sekonko

From: [Ashleigh von der Heyden](mailto:Ashleigh.von.der.Heyden@arcusconsulting.co.za)
To: ["Itumeleng.Mashune@dalrrd.gov.za"](mailto:Itumeleng.Mashune@dalrrd.gov.za)
Cc: ["CNkoane@dalrrd.gov.za"](mailto:CNkoane@dalrrd.gov.za)
Subject: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection
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Dear Itumeleng,

Kindly see the correspondence attached for your reference.

Arcus (the EAP) have been requested by Ms Cindy to make contact regarding possible communities that **may** be affected by the proposed development. Kindly note that no communities have been identified throughout the application process, this includes several site visits which confirm this statement.

Our email is merely to oblige the request as read:

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Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2021 11:55 AM

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From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>

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With reference to the proposed **02 September 2021** to the below address:

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To: [Christoff du Plessis](#); [paulputs](#)
Cc: [Elbi Bredenkamp](#)
Subject: RE: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.
Date: Friday, September 3, 2021 11:05:00 AM
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Good Morning Christoff,

Thank you for your comments. I just want to confirm which comments pertain to the WEF amendments, and which comments (if any) pertain to the BAR?

If you could please just separate these if they are related to the different applications so that we can best answer you? I need to ensure that your comments are correctly captured across the different applications.

Thank you,

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Cc: Elbi Bredenkamp <elbi@enviroworks.co.za>
Subject: RE: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as

I&AP.

Good Day Ashleigh

I trust you are well.

Apologies for my delayed response, it been crazy on our side.

I had a discussion with XiNa Solar One as well as KaXu Solar One, and their main concerns are as follow:

1. We have given it some consideration and would like to raise the following, key concerns being soiling and shading.
 - **Shading:** Will the developer complete a shading study to ensure that morning solar radiation is not obstructed to the nearby IPP solar facilities.
 - **Soiling:** Will the developer conduct a dust study during construction as well as conduct continuous mitigation and dust monitoring activities so as to not induce soiling on the nearby solar facilities.
 - **Downstream Wind Impacts:** The exact setbacks are unclear from the map but will these be clearly defined and will the developer complete a study on the downstream impact of wind and wake effects on the nearby solar facilities to ensure that abnormal wind loading is not induced on the existing solar facility as a result of newly developed wind project. This concern is raised not only for solar collectors but also to understand the impact on Air Cooled Condenser efficiency, if in close proximity.
 - **Tx Connection:** Will the connection of the nearby solar facility's be interrupted at any point for the connection of the new substation and lines.
 - **Road Access:** Will the additional traffic during construction impact on normal road use and plant access to the nearby solar facilities.

Can you please acknowledge receipt of this email?

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

I hope you have a blessed week.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike Groete

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Subject: RE: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.

Good Morning Christoff,

Doing fantastic thanks for asking. I trust you are well as well? Always nice hearing from other EAPs.

Super. You have been registered on our database.

Should there be anything that you would like clarity on, I would be happy to set up a meeting to discuss? This way the team can make sure that all comments/concerns are adequately addressed prior to the submission of the final amendments and BAR.

Please do let me know.

Have a super day.

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Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 7:53 AM
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Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject: 3944 Paulputs WEF Amendments & BAR - Registration of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd as I&AP.

Good Morning Ashleigh

I trust you are well.

Enviroworks would like to register as an Interested and Affected Party on behalf of XiNa Solar One (RF)(PTY) Ltd on the following:

1. **Project Title 1: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd;**
2. **Project Title 2: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility 132kV grid connection, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility North (RF) (Pty) Ltd;**
3. **Project Title 3: Part II Amendment of the Authorised Paulputs Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd; and,**
4. **Project Title 4: Basic Assessment Report for the Proposed Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection & associated infrastructure, Northern Cape Province. Application in respect of Paulputs Wind Energy Facility South (RF) (Pty) Ltd.**

We are in process of assessing the impacts that the proposed development will have on the XiNa Solar One Power Generation Facility and will provide comments before the closing date of the Notification Period.

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I hope you find the above mentioned in order, should you have any questions please do not hesitate

to contact me.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike Groete

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Good Morning Cobus,

Apologies for the late response. I trust that you are doing well?

I see that you own Farm Lucas Vlei 93, Portion 5?

You have been identified as a indirectly affected landowner (surrounding landowner) and no infrastructure will be located on any portion of your farm.

Please do let me know if you have any other questions.

Have a fantastic day further.

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Sent: Friday, August 6, 2021 12:12 PM
To: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Subject:

Hi Ashleigh

Is it possible to send me a map of all the farms where the wind turbines will be erected as it is not clear on the previous maps that I received. Our farm is in the area and I just want clarity if any of the turbines will be on our property. I have no objections and just want clarity.

Kind regards

Cobus Greeff

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From: [paulputs](#)
To: [Cynthia Nkoane](#); [paulputs](#)
Cc: [Itumeleng Mashune](#); [Batlang Lekalake](#); [Deidre Koopman](#)
Subject: RE: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection
Date: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 10:11:32 AM
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Good Morning Cynthia,

Thank you for your email.

There has been **no change** in the properties from the email circulated in January 2020.

The remainder of your email is noted. Although no communities have been identified at this stage in the Application process, the EAP will make contact with Mr Itumeleng Mashune as suggested.

Kind Regards,

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To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>
Cc: Itumeleng Mashune <Itumeleng.Mashune@dalrrd.gov.za>; Batlang Lekalake <BLekalake@dalrrd.gov.za>; Deidre Koopman <Deidre.Koopman@dalrrd.gov.za>
Subject: FW: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment

Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection

Good Afternoon,

I would like to ask if there has been any change in the properties involved, as per initial e-mails circulated in January 2020.

At that time we indicated that our department, DRDLR (now known as the DALRRD) was not the owner of any of the properties involved/ identified.

We noted that there *may* be communities (as identified in terms of the Transformation of Certain Rural Areas Act – TRANCRAA) that might be impacted; You were subsequently referred to Mr Itumeleng Mashune for further engagement/ confirmation (if neighbouring farms form part of TRANCRAA land, and if so, contact details for relevant community representatives).

If there have been any changes in properties, please provide that information, i.e. complete property description(s) which would include farm number, name and Registration Division (RD), to myself and Deidre Koopman (also copied in this e-mail), so we can confirm ownership and respond accordingly.

Kind Regards

Cindy

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From: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>

Sent: 02 August 2021 20:14

To: paulputs <paulputs@arcusconsulting.co.za>

Cc: Ashleigh von der Heyden <ashleighvdh@arcusconsulting.co.za>

Subject: Notification of Availability of Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report: Paulputs WEF Amendment and Split and Paulputs South WEF Grid Connection

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With reference to the proposed projects, please send your comments on the Draft Amendment Reports and Draft Basic Assessment Report in writing or verbally on or before the **01 September 2021** using the following platforms:

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Cc: TBooi@environment.gov.za
Subject: Part II Amendment Application with Draft Amendment Report for the Amendment and Split of the Paulputs WEF (Paulputs North WEF Grid Connection and Ass. Infrastructure), Northern Cape Province 14/12/16/3/3/2/1120
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Please note that an EA application and Draft BA Report for the abovementioned project has been uploaded onto the system. Attached is the relevant document control form and a cover letter regarding the Application and Report submitted.

Kindly note that the Department have approved the request that two separate EAs be issued in regard to the abovementioned project. Please find approval attached for reference. This approval is also contained in Appendix 6 of the PPP Report.

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Dear Stakeholder

NOTIFICATION OF THREE PART II AMENDMENT PROCESSES AND A NEW BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Notice is hereby given for each project. You are identified as the Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) / Stakeholder for the following four projects:

1. 150MW Paulputs WEF North and Associated Infrastructure – Amendment Application 1
2. 132kV Grid Connection for Paulputs WEF North – Amendment Application 2
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Public Participation Process (PPP) will be undertaken in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended. Kindly find the Notification Letters for the respective projects attached.

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

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Dear Sir/ Madam

Please note that a Part II EA Amendment Application and the accompanying Draft Amendment Reports (including appendices) for the amendment and split of the authorised Paulputs WEF has been uploaded onto the system. Attached is the relevant document control form and a cover letter regarding the Application And Reports submitted. Provided below is the relevant screenshot of the upload for the Application

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Dear Stakeholder,

Final Call for Comment:

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As Arcus finalized the Draft Reports, you are welcome to submit comment. Final comment will be taken on **Wednesday, 8 September 2021**.

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