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# GLOSSARY

ABBREVIATION	MEANING
BA	Basic Assessment
BAR	Basic Assessment Report
CA	Competent Authority
DALRRD	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
DEA	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment
DMRE	Department of Mineral Resources and Energy
DWS	Department of Water and Sanitation
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
I&APs	Interested and Affected Parties
MDARDLEA	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998)
PPP	Public Participation Process
SAHRA	South African Heritage Resource Agency
SANBI	South African National Biodiversity Institute
SEF	Solar Energy Facility
SER	Stakeholder Engagement Report

# 1 INTRODUCTION

Changes made from the Draft Stakeholder Engagement Report (SER) have been underlined in this final SER for ease of reference to the updates made in the report.

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## 1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ESA) (the Developer) is proposing the development of a Camden Renewable Energy Complex comprising various projects within the vicinity of the Camden Power Station in Mpumalanga. The Complex consists of eight distinct projects referred to as:

- Camden I Wind Energy Facility (WEF) (up to 200MW): Subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2137);
- Camden I Wind Grid Connection (up to 132kV): Subject to a Basic Assessment (BA) process;
- Camden Grid Connection and Collector substation (up to 400kV): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134);
- Camden I Solar Energy Facility (SEF) (up to 100MW): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2136);
- **Camden I Solar Grid Connection (up to 132kV): Subject to a BA process; (this report & application)**
- Camden II WEF (up to 200MW): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2135);
- Camden II WEF up to 132kV Grid Connection: Subject to a BA process; and
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility and associated infrastructure: Subject to a S&EIR process (MDARDLEA Ref: 1/3/1/16/1G-242).

**The focus of this Application is the proposed Camden up to 132kV Grid Connection powerline and associated infrastructure.**

The proposed project entails the construction of an up to 132kV Grid connection overhead powerline including associated infrastructure, from the Camden I Solar PV Facility to the nearby Camden Collector substation (which in turn will connect to the Camden Power Station). The powerline will be approximately 5km in length, depending on the authorized location of the collector substation.

— The onsite grid connection substation will consist of high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, etc. The area for the onsite substation will be up to 1.5ha, as well as an additional up to 1.5ha for termination work upgrades required for connection into the common collector and Main Transmission Substation. The up to 132kV powerline and substation will have a 500m corridor (250m either side of the centre line, and 250m around the entire perimeter of the proposed substation sites), to allow for micro-siting and avoidance of sensitive features where possible. This corridor, as opposed to the line routing, is proposed for authorisation. This application additionally includes the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at the Collector Substation (i.e. the termination works).

— The proposed project will comprise the following key components, detailed further in **Error! Reference source not found.** below:

- The grid connection substation (adjacent the IPP substation), consisting of a high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, lighting and fencing;
- Construction of an up to 132kV power line (either single or double circuit) between the grid connection substation portion and that of the Camden Collector substation; and
- Termination works (up to 1.5ha), comprising the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at and into the Collector Substation.
- Existing or new access and service roads (utilising existing roads where possible, with new roads developed where there are no existing roads to be utilised).

## OVERHEAD POWERLINE

Powerline capacity	Up to 132kV (note this includes 132kV exactly for the avoidance of doubt)
Powerline corridors width	A grid connection corridor has been identified for the assessment and placement of the grid connection infrastructure, comprising 500 m (i.e. 250 m on either side of centre line). The entire corridor is proposed for development provided the infrastructure remains within the assessed corridor.
Powerline servitude width	40m
Powerline pylons:	Monopole or Lattice pylons, or a combination of both where required and as informed by detailed design
Construction clearance required (per pylon)	To allow for crane and large component access and installation, clearing required for each tower depends on local terrain, but up to 1500m <sup>2</sup> , or where existing OHL crossings are made or powerlines are constructed adjacent each other, up to 2500m <sup>2</sup> .
Powerline pylon height:	Up to a maximum of 40 m
Minimum conductor clearance	8.1 m
Pylon spacing	Up to 250m apart, depending on complexity and slope of terrain
Pylon designs	<p>Various pylon design types are considered (and will be determined during the detailed design engineering phase), and may include any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Up to 132kV (single or double circuit)</li> <li>– Intermediate self-supporting monopole</li> <li>– Inline or angle-strain self-supporting monopole</li> <li>– Suspension self-supporting monopole</li> <li>– Triple pole structure</li> <li>– Cross rope suspension;</li> <li>– Guyed “V” Structure</li> <li>– Steel lattice structure; or</li> <li>– Similar pylon design at 132kV specification</li> </ul> <p>The above designs may require anchors with guy-wires or be anchorless. For up to 132kV structures, concrete foundation sizes may vary depending on design type up to 140m<sup>2</sup> (12m by 12m), with depths reaching up to 4m typically in a rectangular ‘pad’ shape.</p>
<b>Substation (and Collector Substation connection components)</b>	
Substation Footprint	1.5ha <u>each</u> , for both onsite substation and terminating works upgrade
Substation Capacity	33/132kV
Corridor width	A grid connection corridor has been identified for the assessment and placement of the grid connection infrastructure, comprising 250m around the entire perimeter of the proposed substation sites. The entire corridor is proposed for development provided the infrastructure remains within the assessed corridor.

**OVERHEAD POWERLINE**

<p>Associated infrastructure</p>	<p>The substation will consist of high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, etc, including the following:</p> <p>Standard substation electrical equipment, including but not limited to transformers, busbars, office area, operation and control room, workshop, and storage area, feeder bays, transformers, stringer strain beams, insulators, isolators, conductors, circuit breakers, lightning arrestors, relays, capacitor banks, batteries, wave trappers, switchyard, metering and indication instruments, equipment for carrier current, surge protection and outgoing feeders, as may be needed.</p> <p>The control building, telecommunication infrastructure, oil dam(s)</p> <p>Workshop and office area within the substation footprint</p> <p>Fencing around the substation</p> <p>Lighting and security infrastructure</p> <p>All the access road infrastructure to and within the substation</p> <p>Further ancillary infrastructure including but not limited to lighting, lightning protection, fencing, buildings required for operation (ablutions, office, workshop and control room, security fencing and gating, parking area, concrete batching plant (if required), waste storage/disposal and storerooms).</p>
<p>Termination works</p>	<p>All works and components required for connection at and into the Collector Substation comprising <u>up to 1.5ha including</u> the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components, including amongst others standard substation electrical equipment as may be needed (feeder bays, transformers, busbars, stringer strain beams, insulators, isolators, conductors, circuit breakers, lightning arrestors, relays, capacitor banks, batteries, wave trappers, switchyard, metering and indication instruments, equipment for carrier current, surge protection and outgoing feeders.</p>
<p><b>Roads Infrastructure</b></p>	
<p>Road servitude and access roads</p>	<p>Approximately 6 meters wide, however where required for turning circle/bypass areas, access or internal roads will be up to 20m wide to allow for larger component transport. During operation, vegetation maintenance by partial clearing/maintenance in grid servitude for operation, safety and maintenance reasons.</p>



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## 1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER

WSP was appointed in the role of Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the EA Process for the proposed project. This SER was compiled as part of the EA Process and must be read in conjunction with the applicable BA in support of the EA applications. **Table 1-1** details the relevant contact details of the EAP.

**Table 1-1: Details of the EAP**

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EAPASA Registration Number:	EAPASA (2019/1005)

To adequately identify and assess potential environmental impacts, the EAP was supported by a number of specialists, the details of which are provided in the BA Report (BAR).

### STATEMENT OF INDEPENDENCE

Neither WSP nor any of the authors of this Report have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of this Report, nor do they have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting their independence. WSP has no beneficial interest in the outcome of the assessment.

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## 1.3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation is understood to be a series of inclusive and culturally appropriate interactions aimed at providing stakeholders with opportunities to express their views, so that these can be considered and incorporated into the decision-making process. Effective public participation requires the prior disclosure of relevant and adequate project information to enable stakeholders to understand the risks, impacts, and opportunities of the proposed Project.

Basic reasons why the public are involved in the Process:

- The environment is held in public trust, therefore use of environmental resources is everyone's concern.
- To ensure that projects meet the citizens' needs and are suitable to the affected public.
- The project carries more legitimacy, and less hostility, if interested and affected parties (I&APs) are able to influence the decision-making process.
- The final decision is deemed informed when local knowledge and values are included and when expert knowledge is publicly examined.

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### 1.3.1 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the public participation process (PPP) can be summarised as follows:

- Identify relevant individuals, organisations and communities who may be interested in or affected by the proposed Project;
- Clearly outline the scope of the proposed Project, including the scale and nature of the existing and proposed activities;
- Identify viable proposed Project alternatives that will assist the relevant authorities in making an informed decision;
- Identify shortcomings and gaps in existing information;
- Identify key concerns, raised by I&APs that should be addressed in the subsequent specialist studies;
- Highlight the potential for environmental impacts, whether positive or negative; and
- To inform and provide the public with information and an understanding of the proposed Project, issues and solutions.

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### 1.3.2 WHAT IS AN INTERESTED AN AFFECTED PARTY?

An I&AP is defined as any person, group of persons or organisations interested in or affected by an activity, and any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

The difference between an I&AP and a registered I&AP:

- An I&AP can be directly or indirectly impacted on by a proposed activity.
- A registered I&AP is a person whose name has been placed on the register of registered I&APs. According to the PPP Guidance document, 2017, only registered I&APs will be notified:
- Of the availability of reports and other written submissions made to the competent authority (CA) by the Applicant, and be entitled to comment on these reports and submissions; and
- Of the outcome of the application, the reasons for the decision, and that an appeal may be lodged against a decision.

For the purpose of this report, registered I&APs will be referred to as Stakeholders.

### RIGHTS, ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STAKEHOLDER

Registered stakeholders have the right to bring to the attention of the CA any issues that they believe may be of significance to the consideration of the application. The rights of stakeholder are qualified by certain obligations, namely:

- Stakeholders must ensure that their comments are submitted within the timeframes that have been approved by the DFFE, or within any extension of a timeframe agreed by the Proponent, EAP or competent authorities;
- Serve a copy of the comments submitted directly to the competent authorities, the Proponent or the EAP; and
- Disclose to the EAP any direct business, financial, personal or other interest that they might have in the approval or refusal of the application.

The roles of stakeholders in a public participation process usually include one or more of the following:

- Assisting in the identification and prioritisation of issues that need to be investigated;
- Making suggestions on alternatives and means of preventing, minimising and managing negative impacts and enhancing proposed Project benefits;
- Assisting in or commenting on the development of mutually acceptable criteria for the evaluation of decision options;
- Contributing information on public needs, values and expectations;
- Contributing local and traditional knowledge; and
- Verifying that their issues have been considered.

In order to participate effectively, stakeholders should:

- Become involved in the process as early as possible;
- Register as a stakeholder;
- Advise the EAP of other stakeholders who should be consulted;
- Contribute towards the design of the public participation process (including timeframes) to ensure that it is acceptable to all stakeholders;
- Follow the process once it has been accepted;
- Read the material provided and actively seek to understand the issues involved;
- Give timeous responses to correspondence;
- Be respectful and courteous towards other stakeholders;
- Refrain from making subjective, unfounded or ill-informed statements; and
- Recognise that the process is confined to issues that are directly relevant to the application.

## 1.4 APPROACH TO STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Our approach to stakeholder engagement is based on the following principles:

- Undertake meaningful and timely participation with stakeholders;
- Focus on important issues during the process;
- Undertake due consideration of alternatives;
- Take accountability for information used;
- Encourage co-regulation, shared responsibility and a sense of ownership over the proposed Project lifecycle;
- Apply “due process” particularly with regard to public participation as provided for in the EIA Regulations; and
- Consider the needs, interests and values of stakeholders.

The Public Participation guideline in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, drafted by the DEA (now DFFE) in 2017, tabulates the level of Public Participation required for various levels of anticipated project impacts. This table has been used to identify additional Public Participation methods which are required for the Project. Highlighted cells indicate the applicable response to the anticipated impacts. Results of the process are shown in **Table 1-2** below.

**Table 1-2: Level of Public Participation as per Public Participation Guideline (DEA, 2017)**

SCALE OF ANTICIPATED IMPACTS:	RECOMMENDED RESPONSE	
	IF “YES”	IF “NO”
Are the impacts of the project likely to extend beyond the boundaries of the local municipality?	Formal Consultation with other affected municipalities should be carried out during the PPP.	No need to have a formal consultation with other municipalities during PPP.  Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA must be met.
Are the impacts of the project likely to extend beyond the boundaries of the province?	Formal Consultation with other affected provinces should be carried out during the PPP.	No need to have a formal consultation with other provinces during PPP.  Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA must be met.

SCALE OF ANTICIPATED IMPACTS:	RECOMMENDED RESPONSE	
	IF “YES”	IF “NO”
Is the project a greenfields development (a new development in a previously undisturbed area)?	Extensive consultation with Registered Interested and Affected Parties (RI&APs) might be required before a decision is taken on the project in order to gather more information, and to ensure that there is minimal impact on the environment.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Does the area already suffer from socio-economic problems (e.g. job losses) or environmental problems (e.g. pollution), and is the project likely to exacerbate these?	Extensive consultation with RI&APs within the area should be undertaken, to gather more information on both the socio-economic and environmental problems.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Is the project expected to have a wide variety of impacts (e.g. socio-economic and ecological)?	Thorough consultation needs to be conducted with RI&APs, in order to address variety of impacts.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
<b>Public and environmental sensitivity of the project:</b>		
Are there widespread public concerns about the potential negative impacts of the project?	Broader consultation with all RI&APs will need to be undertaken.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Is there a high degree of conflict among RI&APs?	There might need to be more consultation to ensure that there is consensus reached among RI&APs.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Will the project impact on private land other than that of the applicant?	Consultation with the private land owner must be done, and all their concerns need to be addressed.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Does the project have the potential to create unrealistic expectations (e.g. that a new factory would create a large number of jobs)?	Thorough consultation that addresses the perceptions of unrealistic expectations needs to be carried out.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
<b>Potentially affected parties:</b>		

SCALE OF ANTICIPATED IMPACTS:	RECOMMENDED RESPONSE	
	IF “YES”	IF “NO”
Has very little previous public participation taken place in the area?	More thorough public participation should take place within the area, to ensure that all potential and RI&APs participate.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Did previous public participation processes in the area result in conflict?	Additional consultation might be needed to ensure that issues of conflict are addressed effectively.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Are there existing organisational structures (e.g. local forums) that can represent I&APs?	Organizational structures might minimise conflict whilst maximising the participation.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Is the area characterised by high social diversity (i.t.o. socio-economic status, language or culture)	Proper consultations that address language and cultural diversity should be promoted.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Were people in the area victims of unfair expropriations or relocation in the past?	PPP should be extensive and address any unfair practices that occurred in the past.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Is there a high level of unemployment in the area?	The PPP should ensure that there are no unrealistic expectations created due to the project. The consultation should ensure that any unrealistic expectations are adequately addressed before the project starts.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met.
Do the RI&APs have special needs (e.g. a lack of skills to read or write, disability, etc)?	Consultation should include mechanisms that will ensure full participation by people with special needs.	Minimum requirements for public participation in accordance to EIA Regulations must be met. Minimum requirements for PP in accordance to the Act must be met as well as best practices relating to PP.

## 2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TO DATE

### 2.1 PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION

A pre-application meeting was held on **19 October 2021** with the DFFE in order to discuss the proposed Project. The minutes of this meeting are included in **Appendix C-1**.

### 2.2 IDENTIFICATION OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Section 41 of the EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) states that written notices must be given to identified stakeholders as outlined in **Table 2-1**.

Relevant authorities (Organs of State) have been automatically registered as I&APs. In accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), all other persons must request in writing to be placed on the register, submit written comments, or attend meetings to be registered as stakeholders, and included in future communication regarding the Project.

**Table 2-1: Interested and Affected Parties Table**

NEMA REQUIREMENT	DISCUSSION
(i) the owner or person in control of that land if the applicant is not the owner or person in control of the land	The project activity is located on two (2) portions of privately owned land. The landowners have been included on the stakeholder database.
(ii) the occupiers of the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken or to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken	All landowners have been contacted to confirm whether there are any occupiers on the land portions. Where applicable, occupiers will be included on the database.
(iii) owners and occupiers of land adjacent to the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken or to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken	Adjacent landowner details were collected and have been included on the stakeholder database. Where applicable, occupiers have been included on the database.
(iv) the municipal councillor of the ward in which the site or alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represent the community in the area	The Ward Councillor for Ward 11 have been included on the stakeholder database.
(v) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area	The Msukaligwa Local Municipality, which is located in the Gert Sibande District Municipality (Mpumalanga Province), both Local and District Municipalities have been included on the stakeholder database.
(vi) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity	DFFE has been, and will continue to be, consulted. The Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA) has been included on the stakeholder database.
(vii) any other party as required by the competent authority.	All tiers of government, namely, national, provincial, local government and parastatals have been included on the stakeholder database. Inclusive of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE)</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)</li> <li>— Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD)</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA)</li> <li>— Department of Rural Development and Land Reform</li> <li>— Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)</li> </ul>

NEMA REQUIREMENT	DISCUSSION
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Mpumalanga Department of Water and Sanitation: Oliphant's Proto-CMA</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Department of Social Development</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport (DPWR)</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Department of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Authority</li> <li>— Department of Defence Force Mpumalanga</li> <li>— South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA)</li> <li>— Gert Sibande District Municipality</li> <li>— Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality</li> <li>— Msukaligwa Local Municipality</li> <li>— Transnet Freight Rail</li> <li>— Eskom</li> <li>— BirdLife South Africa</li> <li>— South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)</li> <li>— Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency</li> </ul>

**Appendix A** provides a list of stakeholders registered on the Project database. The stakeholder database will be updated throughout the BA process.

## 2.3 NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES

### AUTHORITY CONSULTATION

A pre-application meeting was held on **19 October 2021** with the DFFE in order to discuss the proposed Project. The minutes of this meeting and approval from the DFFE are included in **Appendix C-1**

### DIRECT NOTIFICATION

Notification of the proposed Project was issued to potential Stakeholders, via direct correspondence (i.e., SMSs and e-mail) on **24 February 2022**. The notification letter that was circulated is included in **Appendix B-3** of this report. Proof of e-mail and SMS notification is included in **Appendix B-4** of this final SER.

### ADVERTISEMENT

Notification of the proposed Project was first issued to the general public via an advertisement on **25 February 2022** and a second advertisement will be placed on **09 May 2023**. The purpose of the advertisement is to notify the general public of the proposed application and provide an opportunity to register on the Project database and provide input into the process. A copy of the advertisements already published is included as **Appendix B-1**. The advertisement publication details are provided in **Table 2-2**.

**Table 2-2: Dates on which the advert was published**

NEWSPAPER	PUBLICATION DATE
Highvelder	25 February 2022
Standerton Advertiser	25 February 2022
Standerton Advertiser	09 May 2023

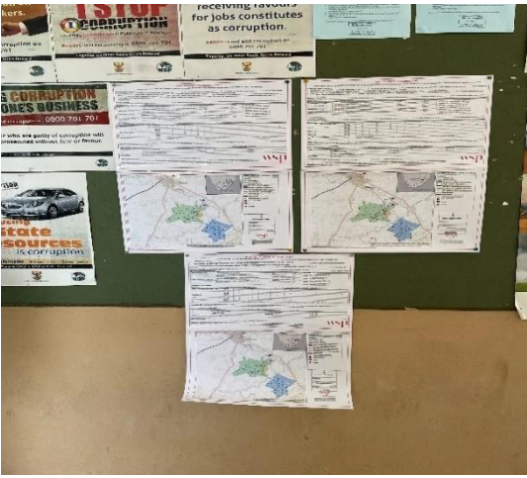

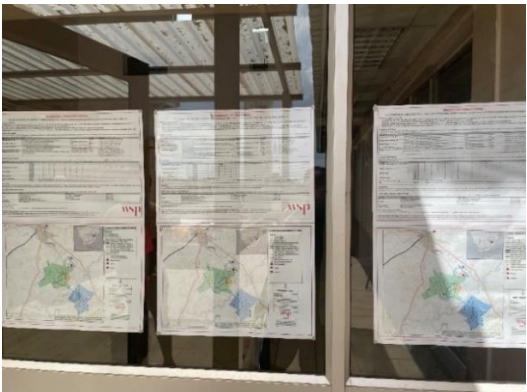
### SITE NOTICES

In accordance with GNR 326 Section 41(2)(a-b) site notices have been developed (see **Appendix B-2**) and placed at Six (6) strategic points in close proximity to the proposed site, as well as public places within the Msukaligwa



Local and Govern Mbheki Local Municipalities. The site notices were placed on site on 24 February 2022. A second round of site notices was placed on the 11 May 2023 to specifically announce the Camden I SEF 132kV grid connection project. The proof of placement of these site notices is included in **Appendix B-2** of the final SER and **Table 2-3** below.

**Table 2-3: Site Notice Locations**

LOCATION	CO-ORDINATES	PHOTOGRAPHS
<p><u>24 February 2022</u> Muskwaligwa Local Municipality</p>	<p>26°31'39.48"S 29° 29°59'20.68"E</p>	
<p><u>24 February 2022</u> Ermelo Regional Library</p>	<p>26°31'39.48"S 29°59'20.68"E</p>	
<p><u>24 February 2022</u> Thusiville Public Library</p>	<p>26° 31'40.70" S 29° 59' 19.63" E</p>	



**LOCATION****CO-ORDINATES****PHOTOGRAPHS**

24 February 2022  
Gert Sibande  
District  
Municipality

26° 31'20.41" S  
29° 53'18.78" E



24 February 2022  
Site Notice Placed  
adjacent to the  
property boundary  
of the proposed  
project and the N2  
Ermelo / Piet  
Retief  
(2 locations)

26° 35'53.95" S  
30° 6'14.30" E



24 February 2022  
Site Notice Placed  
adjacent to the  
property boundary  
of the proposed  
project and the  
N11  
Hendrina/Ermelo  
Road  
(3 locations)

26° 37'34.87" S  
29° 58'23.53" E



24 February 2022  
Camden Power  
Station Entrance



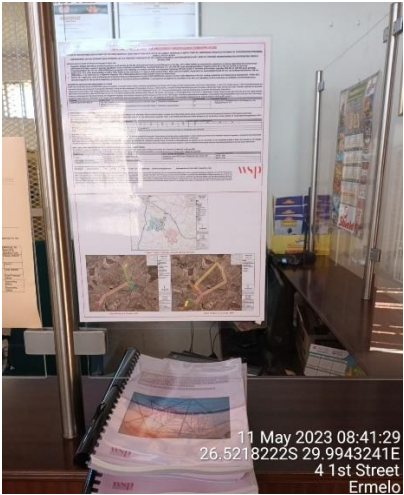
26°35'17.40"S  
30° 5'18.48"E



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<p><u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Draft reports on display at the Thusville Public Library</u></p>	<p><u>26° 31'40.70" S</u> <u>29° 59'19.63" E</u></p>	 <p>11 May 2023 08:11:19</p> <p>11 May 2023 08:06:32</p>
<p><u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Site Notices placed at the Thusville Public Library</u></p>	<p><u>26° 31'40.70" S</u> <u>29° 59'19.63" E</u></p>	 <p>11 May 2023 08:10:45</p>
<p><u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Site notices and draft BA reports placed at the Ermelo Regional Library</u></p>	<p><u>26°31'18.56"S</u> <u>29°59'39.57"E</u></p>	 <p>11 May 2023 08:41:29 26.5218222S 29.9943241E 4 1st Street Ermelo</p>

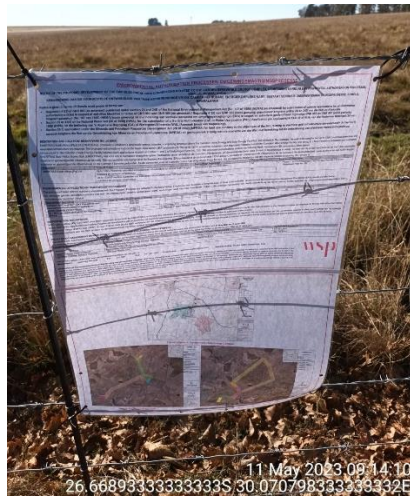
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adjacent to the  
property boundary  
of the proposed  
project.

26°40'8.27"S  
30° 4'14.87"E



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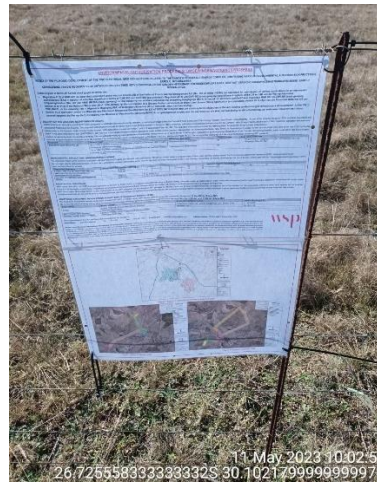
11 May 2023  
Site Notice Placed adjacent to the property boundary of the proposed project.

26°43'32.07"S  
30° 6'7.86"E



11 May 2023  
Site Notice Placed adjacent to the property boundary of the proposed project.

26°43'32.01"S  
30° 6'7.85"E



11 May 2023  
Site Notice Placed adjacent to the property boundary of the proposed project.

26°43'32.00"S  
30° 6'7.86"E



LOCATION	CO-ORDINATES	PHOTOGRAPHS
<u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Site Notice Placed adjacent to the residential houses on Camden Road near the Eskom Camden Power Station.</u>	<u>26°35'43.20"S</u> <u>30° 5'22.96"E</u>	
<u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Site Notice Placed adjacent to the residential houses on Camden Road near the Eskom Camden Power Station.</u>	<u>26°35'43.21"S</u> <u>30° 5'22.82"E</u>	

#### AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

The Draft BAR was placed on public review for a period of at least 30 days from **11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023**, at the venues as follows:

- Hard Copy: Ermelo Regional Library (Wedgewood Avenue 2351 Ermelo (082 797 5119)
- Hard Copy: Thusiville Public Library (Wesselton Ext 2, 082 797 5119);
- Electronic Copy: WSP Website (<https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents>); and
- Electronic Copy: Data Free Website (<https://wsp-engage.com/>).

The Draft BAR was also be made available to Commenting Authorities via a One Drive link ([Camden Public Review](#)).

In order to ensure maximum participation of all I&APs, reports were shared on the Datafree website.

Proof of display of the Draft Reports is provided in **Appendix B-5**.

## 2.4 STAKEHOLDER REGISTRATION

All stakeholders that either called in or sent written correspondence, such as emails, fax, or post, to the EAP have been added to the database and their comments and/or queries have been responded to.

# 3 COMMENTS RECEIVED

All concerns, comments, viewpoints, and questions (collectively referred to as 'issues') received have been documented and responded to adequately in the Comments and Responses tables below. The original comments are included in **Appendix D**.

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## 3.1 COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE DRAFT BAR PHASE

The Draft BAR Report was placed on public review from 11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023. The comments received for the project is incorporated in Error! Reference source not found. below and have been responded to adequately. The original comments have been included in **Appendix D**.

**Table 3-1: Draft BA Comments received**

<u>STAKEHOLDER DETAILS</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	<u>REPORT REFERENCE</u>
<b>Department Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE)</b>			
<p>Sabelo Malaza 09 June 2023 Letter (via email)</p>	<p>Dear Ashlea Strong 14/12/16/3/3/1/2768</p> <p><u>COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR GRID CONNECTION UP TO 132KV AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NEAR ERMELO WITHIN MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE MPUMALANGA PROVINCE</u></p> <p>The draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) dated May 2023 and received by this Competent Authority (CA) on 11 May 2023, refers:</p> <p><b>Specific Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted on Appendix 13, that the letters dated 20 June 2022 and 22 August 2022, both from Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA) indicate that the proposed development is located within the Protected Area National Park, Nature Reserve and Protected Area Environment: Modified and Natural, however, there is an ongoing process to de-proclaim the Langcarel Nature Reserve. Therefore, subject to the successful conclusion of this process, a Section 50 approval is not required for this project. Considering the above, you are requested to submit the letter from MTPA regarding the withdrawal of the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve to the CA and it must form part of the final BAR.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP confirms that the proof of the MTPA de-proclamation/withdrawal process has been attached to the final BAR in Appendix J.</p>	<p><b>Appendix J of the final BAR.</b></p>
	<p><b>Application form and Listed Activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CA has noted from the application form that the Applicant is ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd, while the Company/trading name is Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd. You are advised to provide clarity if the EA should be issued to ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd or Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd.</li> </ul>	<p>The EA should be issued to ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd. This has been corrected in the amended application form.</p>	:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In addition, you are requested to provide the details of the responsible contact official from the Msukaligwa Local Municipality.</li> </ul>	<p>The contact person is included in Appendix 4 of the application form. Below is the details of the contact from the Msukaligwa Local Municipality: <i>Name of contact person: Ms. Hilda Maganya</i> <i>Postal Address: PO Box 48, Ermelo, 2350</i> <i>Telephone: 017 809 3505</i> <i>Email hmaganya@msukaligwa.gov.za</i></p>	:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted that the exclusions on the triggered listed activities applied for are not included. Therefore, you are advised to include in the amended application form as well as final BAR all the relevant exclusions related to the listed activities applied for. For instance, activity 11 of Listing Notice (LN) 1 have been applied for, however the exclusions have not been quoted in the application form.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP confirms that an amended application form has been completed to include the triggered listed activities including the exclusions. In addition, the amended triggered listed activities and exclusions have been included in Section 2.1 of the final BAR.</p>	<p><b>Section 2.1 of the final BAR.</b></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted that words such as up to has been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project to which the applicable listed activity relates for activity 11 of LN 1. Therefore, you are requested to provide the exact capacity of the proposed grid connection applied for.</li> </ul>	<p>It is important to note that a detailed project description, particularly exact specifications of the project components will be based on the approved scope of EPC Contractor and cannot be determined at this stage. It has been confirmed by the Proponent that the capacity of the on-site substation will be 132 kV and therefore this activity is considered applicable.</p>	-
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For activity 12 of LN 1, it has been noted that the details regarding the physical footprint of the infrastructure in square metres that will be constructed within the watercourse or within 32m of the watercourse has not been indicated in the project description. Therefore, you are requested to provide the aforesaid information to determine the applicability of this listed activity to the proposed development.</li> </ul>	<p>The footprint of the infrastructure within the watercourse will be approximately 15 000 m<sup>2</sup> (1.5ha) square metres.</p>	Section 2.1 of the final BAR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regarding activity 27 of LN 1, you are requested to indicate in the project description, the type of indigenous vegetation that will be cleared and the exact size of the area.</li> </ul>	<p>The powerlines and access roads are considered a linear activity and therefore this activity is not triggered by the proposed construction of the transmission lines or roads. However, the construction of the 132 kV grid connection substations (i.e., substation upgrades required at the connection point as well as the onsite substation (i.e., substation infrastructure on both commencement and termination points of the powerline)) will require the clearance of approximately 3 ha of indigenous vegetation. WSP can confirm that the type of indigenous vegetation that will be cleared is the Eastern Highveld Grassland and Chrissiesmeer Panveld. This information is indicated in the project description within Section 2-1 of the final BAR and in the amended application form.</p>	Section 2.1 of the final BAR and amended application form
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is noted that activity 30 of Listing Notice 1 has been applied for and the motivation is that the facility infrastructure is located within, and will require vegetation clearance or disturbance of, Eastern Highveld Grassland, etc. It is unclear as to which process or activity identified in terms of Section 53(1) of NEM:BA is required. As such, you are requested to clarify or provide information regarding the process or activity identified in terms of NEM:BA when describing the project.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the following motivation has been provided in Section 2.1 of the final BAR and in the amended application form: “The restricted activity of cutting, chopping off, uprooting, damaging or destroying, any specimen has been identified in terms of NEM:BA and is therefore applicable to the vegetation clearance that will be required to construct the development. In light of this, Activity 30 is considered applicable”.</p>	Section 2.1 of the final BAR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus is on the applicant and the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities are included in the application and the final BAR. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.</li> </ul>	<p>The listed activities applied for have been further revised Final BAR (Section 2.1) to ensure that only applicable activities and sub-activities have been applied for.  Furthermore, the descriptions of applicability have been updated and are specific (where possible) and have been linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. Please refer to Section 2.1 of the Final BAR for the updated description of the proposed project to which the applicable listed activity relates.</p>	Section 2.1 of the final BAR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final BAR, an amended application form must be submitted for final review and decision making. Please note that the Department’s has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link: <a href="https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms">https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms</a></li> </ul>	<p>The listed activities initially applied for have been further revised in the final BAR to ensure that only applicable activities and sub-activities have been applied for. WSP can confirm that an amended Application Form has been submitted as the activity applicability descriptions have been updated as requested in these comments. WSP can confirm that the most recent application form template has been utilised.</p>	Section 2.1 of the final BAR.



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	<p><b><u>Screening report and specialist assessment:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted that the screening report for the abovementioned application has been included in the draft BAR. However, there is no compiler signature on the aforesaid report. Therefore, you are advised to sign the abovementioned report to be submitted with the final BAR.</li> </ul>	<p>The screening report has been signed by the compiler and is included in Appendix H of the final BAR.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix H of the final BAR.</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Considering that the proposal entails the construction of the powerline (amongst other infrastructure), it has been noted that the map produced in the screening report does not show the powerline route/corridor, therefore, you are advised to prepare a screening tool map that shows the area to be affected by the preferred powerline and its alternatives. In addition, ensure that the themes depicted through the powerline route/corridor are highlighted in the amended screening tool report and are assessed accordingly as per the requirements of the Protocols.</li> </ul>	<p>It is important to note that the screening report included in the draft BAR did include the powerline corridor with the 500m buffer (250m either side of the centre line, and 250m around the entire perimeter of the proposed substation sites). The requested amended screening report indicating the powerline corridor without the 500m buffer is included in Appendix H of the final BAR</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix H of the final BAR.</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>According to the screening tool report included in the abovementioned draft BAR, palaeontology theme, terrestrial theme and agriculture theme are all very high, animal species themes is high, and plant species theme is medium, while civil aviation theme, defense theme, Archaeological and Cultural Heritage theme are all low, in terms of sensitivities. Therefore, you are advised to ensure that specialists undertaken for the proposed development considered the Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes in terms of Sections 24(5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, when applying for Environmental Authorisation, which were published in Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020 (i.e. “the Protocols”), and in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 are included in the final BAR. In addition, you are advised to submit a site verification report and motivation for the exclusions of any specialist studies identified by the screening tool.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that all applicable Specialist Assessments were conducted in line with the Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes (as per the Screening Report), which were promulgated in Government Notice No320 of 20 March 2020 and in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 (i.e. “the Protocols”). Section 3.2.1 of the final BAR includes a motivation for the exclusions of specialist studies identified by the screening tool.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 3.2.1 of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>In addition to the above, you are hereby drawn to the following:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Specialist Declaration of interest forms must be attached for all specialist studies to be conducted in the final BAR. The forms are available on Department’s website (please use the Department’s template).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>The signed specialist declaration forms have been included in Appendix C of the final BAR. It should be noted that specialist studies submitted with the Draft BAR remain unchanged and as the studies did not require amendment, and all studies are included in Appendix F of the final BAR.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix C and Appendix F of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specialist studies to be conducted must provide a detailed description of their methodology, as well as indicate the locations and descriptions of proposed rehabilitation, and all other proposed structures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisations.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the specialist studies have been undertaken in line with Appendix 6 of the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended, or, where relevant, in line with the gazetted specialist protocols of GNR 320 and GNR 1150. All specialist studies include a detailed description of the methodologies, project infrastructure descriptions and locations and recommendations for authorisations.</p>	<p>-</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The specialist studies must also provide a detailed description of all limitations to their studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation, will not be accepted.</li> </ul>	<p>All specialist assessments include applicable limitations to the studies, as well as the timing/season of the field survey, where applicable, and relevance thereof to the studies/assessments.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 3.7 of final BAR</u></b></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.</u></li> </ul>	<p>The specialists have not specified contradicting recommendations. All recommendations are aligned and are considered practical and able to be implemented.</p>	<p>-</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Please note further that the protocols require certain specialists' to be registered with SACNASP. Refer to the relevant protocols in this regard.</u></li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the necessary Due Diligence was undertaken during the appointment of specialists, and it was confirmed that the specialists are required to be registered with SACNASP are registered accordingly.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Please include a table in the final BAR summarising the specialist studies required by the Screening Tool, a column indicating whether these studies will be conducted or not, and motivation if any study will not be undertaken. Please note that if any of the specialists' studies and requirements recommended in the Department's Screening Tool are not commissioned, motivation for such must be provided in the report, as per the requirements of the Protocols.</u></li> </ul>	<p>Section 3.2 of the Final BAR includes a table with a summary of the specialist studies required according to the Screening Tool Report, and the motivation for indicating whether these studies will be conducted or not, and motivation if any study will not be undertaken. In addition, motivation for the specialists' studies and requirements recommended in the Department's Screening Tool that have not been commissioned is also provided in Section 3.2.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 3.2 of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Should it be determined that there is a need for additional specialist studies to be undertaken based on the outcome of public participation, these must be commissioned and be included in the final BAR reports for public comment.</u></li> </ul>	<p>Following the public participation, it was determined that no additional specialist studies would be required. The specialist studies have been included in Appendix F of the Final BAR.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix F of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<p><b><u>Alternatives:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Please provide a description of any identified alternatives for the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable, including the advantages and disadvantages that the proposed activity or alternatives will have on the environment and on the community that may be affected by the activity as per Appendix 1 of GN R.982 of 2014 (as amended).</u></li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that Section 5 of the final BAR includes a description of any identified alternatives for the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable, including the advantages and disadvantages that the proposed activity or alternatives will have on the environment and on the community that may be affected by the activity as per Appendix 1 of GN R.982 of 2014 (as amended).</p> <p>Four (4) route alternatives have been assessed for the transmission lines and two (2) structural alternatives have been assessed (i.e., on site substation alternatives). The specialists concluded that either Alternative 1 or 2 are the preferred options for the proposed project SEF up to 132 kV OHPL. Furthermore, the specialist reports did not have a preference between the proposed substation alternatives. The preferred route connects the IPP substation site (already and separately authorised) to the common collector substation (already and separately authorised), and there is no negating reason provided by the specialists. It is the technically optimal Alternative for connecting the SEF to the national grid and the proponent's technical preference. Furthermore, both Alternative 2 substation locations (for the Grid Substation and Common Collector Switching Station) are proposed for authorisation.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 5 of final BAR</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>In addition, you are advised to comply with the requirement of Appendix 1 (3) (1) (h) (i) (iv) (v) (vi) (vii) (viii) and (x) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.</u></li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the Section 5 of final BAR which addresses the project alternatives complies with Appendix 1 (3) (1) (h) (i) (iv) (v) (vi) (vii) (viii) and (x) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 5 of final BAR</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Alternatively, you should submit written proof of an investigation and motivation if no reasonable or feasible alternatives exist in terms of Appendix 1.</u></li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the Section 5 of final BAR which addresses the project alternatives complies with Appendix 1 (3) (1) (h) (i) (iv) (v) (vi) (vii) (viii) and</p>	<p><b><u>Section 5 of final BAR</u></b></p>

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		(x) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A description of the process followed to reach the preferred alternative must be incorporated into the final BAR.</li> </ul>	Sections 5 and 9.4 of final BAR includes a description of the process followed to reach the preferred alternative.	<b><u>Sections 5 and 9.4 of final BAR</u></b>
	<p><b><u>Layout &amp; Sensitivity Maps:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A copy of the layout and environmental sensitivity map must be submitted with the final BAR and all available biodiversity information must be used in the finalisation of these maps.</li> </ul>	A layout (Figure 4-1) and environmental sensitivity map (Figure 9-1) have been included in the final BAR and Appendix E.	<b><u>Figure 4-1; Figure 9-1; Appendix E</u></b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The layout map must indicate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The powerline corridor.</li> <li>All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g., roads (existing and proposed).</li> <li>Permanent laydown area footprint.</li> <li>Substation(s) and/or transformer(s) sites including their entire footprint.</li> <li>Connection routes (including pylon positions) to the distribution/transmission network; and</li> <li>All existing infrastructure on the site.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	A layout map of the development is included in Figure 4-1 of the final BAR. The co-ordinates of the development area and relevant infrastructure are included in Table 4-1 and Table 5-1 of the final BAR. It should be noted that no pylon positions can be provided at this time as the entire corridor is being put forward for authorisation.	<b><u>Figure 4-1; Table 4-1; Table 5-1; Appendix E</u></b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The environmental sensitivity map must indicate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g., CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected.</li> <li>Buffer areas; and</li> <li>All “no-go” areas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	An environmental sensitivity map (Figure 9-1) has been included in the final BAR.	<b><u>Figure 9-1; Appendix E</u></b>
	<p><b><u>Participation Process:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the final BAR. This includes but not limited to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment (DFFE); Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness Directorate, Biodiversity Planning and Conservation (BCAdmin@environment.gov.za); Mpumalanga Province Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA), Mpumalanga Tourism and Park Agency (MTPA), South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), South African Civil Aviation Authority, Endangered Wildlife Trust, Birdlife South Africa, Department of Human Settlement, Water and Sanitation, South African National Defence Force, Local interest groups, for example: Councillors and Rate Payers associations; Surrounding landowners, Farmer Organisations, Environmental Groups and NGOs; and Grassroots communities and structures as well as the affected district and local municipalities.</li> </ul>	WSP confirms that all comments received, and issues raised by stakeholders and registered I&APs during the circulation of the draft BAR have been included and addressed in this final SER. The comments are included in Appendix D.	<b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final BAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.</li> </ul>	Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders is included in Appendix B and Appendix D of the SER.	<b><u>Appendix B of the SER Appendix D of the SER.</u></b>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended and the approved Public Participation Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP confirm that the Public Participation Process is being conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.</p>	<p>-</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The comments and response trail report (C&amp;R) must be submitted with the final BAR. The C&amp;R report must incorporate all comments for this development. The C&amp;R report must be a separate document from the main report and the format must be in the table format as indicated in Annexure 1 of this comments letter.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the draft BAR from registered I&amp;APs and organs of state have been included in a comment of response report included in Section 3.1 of the SER.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b> <b><u>Section 3.1 of the SER</u></b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the BAR from registered I&amp;APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department’s comments) in respect of the proposed development are adequately addressed. Comments made by I&amp;APs must be comprehensively captured (copy verbatim if required) and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as “Noted” is not regarded as an adequate response to I&amp;AP’s comments.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that all issues raised, and comments received from registered I&amp;APs, organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department’s comments) have been comprehensively captured (copied verbatim) and responded to clearly and fully in Section 3.1 of this final SER.</p>	<p>-</p>
	<p><b><u>Cumulative Impact:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The cumulative impacts of the proposed development must be undertaken as per the requirements of the EIA Regulations.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP can confirm that the cumulative impacts of the proposed development has been undertaken as per the requirements of the EIA Regulations and is addressed in Section 8 of the final BAR.</p>	<p><b><u>Section 8 of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<p><b><u>Environmental Management Programme (EMPr):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that two generic EMPrs are submitted for the management of impacts and outcomes of both the powerline and substation that will be constructed as part of this development. Please ensure the generic EMPr comply with the GN 435 of March 2022.</li> </ul>	<p>WSP confirm that two generic EMPrs are submitted for the management of impacts and outcomes of both the powerline and substation that will be constructed as part of this development and comply with the GN 435 of March 2022. The generic EMPrs have been appended as Appendix C and D of the EMPr (Appendix G of the final BAR).</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix G of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<p><b><u>General:</u></b> You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 19(1)(a) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that: Where basic assessment must be applied to an application, the applicant must, within 90 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority - (a) basic assessment report, inclusive of specialist reports, an EMPr, and where applicable a closure plan, which have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority.”</p>	<p>WSP confirms that the final BAR will be submitted to the DFFE within the required timeframe of the regulations. The EMPr is included in Appendix G of the final BAR.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix G of the final BAR</u></b></p>
	<p>Should there be significant changes or new information that has been added to the BAR 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 19(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 basic assessment report, inclusive of specialist reports an EMPr, and where applicable, a closure plan, 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 basic assessment report or EMPr or, where applicable, a closure plan, which changes or information was not contained in the reports or plans consulted on during the initial public</p>	<p>WSP confirms that all changes made to the Final BAR are minor and no new information has been presented. All changes made in the Final BAR have been underlined for ease of reference for the reader.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix G of the final BAR</u></b></p>

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	<p><u>participation process contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(a) and that the revised reports or, EMPPr or, where applicable, a closure plan will be subjected to another public participation process of at least 30 days”.</u></p>		
	<p><u>Should you fail to meet any of the timeframes stipulated in Regulation 19 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, your application will lapse.</u></p>	<p><u>WSP notes that the application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the timeframes prescribed in terms of these Regulations.</u></p>	-
	<p><u>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.</u>  <u>Yours sincerely</u>  <u>Mr Sabelo Malaza</u>  <u>Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations</u>  <u>Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment</u>  <u>Signed by: Ms Olivia Letlalo</u>  <u>Designation: Deputy Director: Priority Infrastructure Projects</u></p>	<p><u>WSP and the Applicant take note of this reminder.</u></p>	

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Nethononda (DFFE -  
Protected Areas  
Expansion and  
Stewardship)  
13 June 2023  
Email

Hi Ashlea

The Directorate: Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness (PAPME), would like to thank you for the opportunity to review the draft basic assessment report for the development of the Camden 1, 132kV overhead power connection line near Ermelo Mpumalanga. This project forms part of the Camden Renewable Energy Complex development consisting of the following projects and EA applications.

- Camden I Wind Energy Facility (WEF) up to (200 MW) including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2137)
- Camden II WEF including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2135)
- Camden I Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2136)
- Camden 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134)
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure (Ref: 1/3/1/16/1 G-242)

The comments from the management authority responsible for the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve must be obtained from either MTPA or assigned management authority. You will have to consult or communicate with Mr Brian Morris as follows:

Mr Brian Morris

Senior Manager: Protected Areas Expansion and Stewardship

MTPA

T: 0137595478

M:084579 7979

Email: [enviroteq@gmail.com](mailto:enviroteq@gmail.com), [brian@mtpa.co.za](mailto:brian@mtpa.co.za)

Comments that have been provided before by this directorate on the Camden Renewable Energy Complex applications highlighted the existence of a Protected Area Status (Langcarel Private Nature Reserve) on the properties affected by this development. It has been noted that the proposed development of the 132kV overhead power connection is also affecting the properties with a Protected Area Status, that is farm Welgelen no. 322 Portion 1 and 2.

The comments provided on the pre-app meeting held 31st of March 2022 with the directorate of Integrated Environmental Authorisation (IEA) and the comments provided by this Directorate: Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness on the 10th October 2022 still stand.

Thanks

Thivhulawi

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The Protected Area reference on page 17 of the final BAR refers to the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve:

*“It is important to note that the de-proclamation/withdrawal of the Protected Area is currently ongoing and in process by the MTPA as part of ongoing province-wide reserve verification efforts by the provincial authorities. The MTPA has submitted a letter to the Department (letter dated, 20 June 2022) of the intent to issue a notice to withdraw the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act (Act No. 10 of 1998) and have commenced the process.*

*Consent letters to the withdrawal/de-proclamation have been received from the Landowner/s for those farm portions that are directly affected by the proposed project and have been submitted to the Competent Authority as part of this application. These letters give consent of the respective Langcarel Private Nature Reserve properties to be withdrawn and/or de-proclaimed as a nature reserve by the relevant Mpumalanga MEC. These letters have also been provided to the MTPA towards the de-proclamation/withdrawal process”.*

It has been confirmed that this Nature Reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61. This reserve is however noted as having farming activity present and is currently managed actively and entirely for livestock and crop agriculture. The management and land use thereof are therefore inconsistent with the Private Nature Reserve status and has not, and continues to not be, managed and utilised as a private nature reserve. The landowner further disputes the nature reserve status of the properties and intends to utilise any suitable legal avenues available to continue operation of the properties for the current land use of agriculture, in conjunction with the planned Renewable Energy land use subject to this application.

The MTPA withdrawal letter is included in Appendix J of the final BAR.

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<p>Kamogelo Mathetja (DFFE – Biodiversity) 29 May 2023 Email</p>	<p>Dear Sir/Madam DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the project mentioned on the subject line. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Mrs P Makitla and Ms M Mudau (Both copied on this email). In addition, kindly share the shapefiles of the development footprints/application site with the Case Officers. Please note: 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.</p> <p>Regards, Kamogelo</p>	<p>Good day, We kindly acknowledge this Departments response to the notification of the project mentioned above. As requested, please find the shapefiles for the development footprints for the Camden I SEF and WEF 132kV Grid application sites. Kind regards, Jashmika Maharaj</p>	<p><b>Appendix D of the SER</b></p>
<b>Mpumalanga Department: Agriculture, Rural Development, Land Reform and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA)</b>			
<p>S.B. Mbuyane 08 June 2023 Letter (via email)</p>	<p>Dear Madam 1/3/1/16/5G-07 COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR GRID CONNECTION (UP TO 132 KV) NEAR ERMELO, MSUKALIKWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.  The draft basic assessment report which was submitted by you in respect of the above-mentioned application and received by the Department on 11 May 2023 has reference. The Department has considered the content of the report, and has the following comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please ensure that all relevant activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the proposed development and its associated infrastructure and are assessed accordingly.</li> </ol>	<p>WSP confirms that all relevant activities are applied for, are specific are linked to the proposed development and its associated infrastructure and have been assessed accordingly in the final BAR and amended application form. Please note that MDARDLEA is not the CA for this application and are merely a commenting authority.</p>	<p><b>Section 2.1 of the final BAR</b></p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. All specialist studies must be incorporated on the final report, and must provide detailed/ practical mitigation measures for the preferred alternative and recommendations, and ensure that there are no further studies recommended to be completed post EA.</li> </ol>	<p>WSP confirms that all specialist studies have been incorporated Section 6, 7, 8 and 9 of final BAR, and includes detailed/ practical mitigation measures for the preferred alternative and recommendations. In addition, no further studies were recommended to be completed for the submission with the final BAR.</p>	<p><b>Section 6, 7, 8 and 9 of final BAR</b></p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. According to the Avifaunal Impact Assessment, Section 4.3, the proposed up to 132kV OHL will have low impact through appropriate mitigation. The Avifaunal Specialist must have support from Birdlife South Africa and South African Bat Association.</li> </ol>	<p>WSP confirms that the Avifaunal Impact Assessment was undertaken inline with he required guidelines and protocols as referenced within the assessment, and concluded as follows (Refer to Appendix F-1 of the final BAR): <i>The proposed up to 132kV OHL will have a mostly moderate impact on priority avifauna which, in all instances, could be reduced to a low impact through appropriate mitigation. No fatal flaws were discovered during the onsite investigations. The proposed development is therefore supported, provided the mitigation measures listed in this report are strictly implemented.</i></p> <p>It must be noted that a bat assessment was not required for the OHPL project.</p>	<p><b>Appendix F-1 of the Final BAR</b></p>



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	4. <u>Ensure that the development of infrastructure planned for the site is located primarily in transformed areas.</u>	WSP confirms that the proposed development is located primarily in transformed areas, which has been confirmed within the agricultural report in Appendix F-8 and Section 6.1.4 of the final BAR.	<b><u>Appendix F-8 and Section 6.1.4 of the final BAR</u></b>
	5. <u>The consolidated layout plan must be referenced and dated and must include a legend. Please take note of the requirement of Appendix 4, paragraph 1(1)(c) with respect to the requirement for the inclusion of a map in the EMPr.</u>	WSP confirms that the consolidated layout plan is referenced, dated and includes a legend. Refer to Figure 4-1 of the final BAR. In addition, the consolidated layout map is included in the EMPr, Figure 1-3. <u>The consolidated sensitivity map is included in Section 9, Figure 9-1 of the final BA report and in Section 1.9, Figure 1-17 of the EMPr.</u>	<b><u>Figure 4-1, Figure 9-1-final BAR;</u></b> <b><u>Figure 1-3, 1-17 - EMPR</u></b>
	6. <u>Comments from the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency must be obtained and incorporated in the final report to address the issues of concern. MTPA must be provided with a written notice of and all reports that pertain to the application and be given a period of at least 30 days to submit their comments</u>	WSP confirms that MTPA was provided with a written notice of and all reports that pertain to the application and was given a period of at least 30 days to submit their comments. The comments from MTPA have been included and addressed in this final SER and included in Appendix D of the final SER.  It is important to note that the de-proclamation/withdrawal of the Protected Area is currently ongoing and in process by the MTPA as part of ongoing province-wide reserve verification efforts by the provincial authorities. The MTPA has submitted a letter to the Department (letter dated, 20 June 2022) of the intent to issue a notice to withdraw the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act (Act No. 10 of 1998) and have commenced the process.  Consent letters to the withdrawal/de-proclamation have been received from the Landowner/s for those farm portions that that are directly affected by the proposed project and have been submitted to the Competent Authority as part of this application. These letters give consent of the respective Langcarel Private Nature Reserve properties to be withdrawn and/or de-proclaimed as a nature reserve by the relevant Mpumalanga MEC. These letters have also been provided to the MTPA towards the de-proclamation/withdrawal process.	<b><u>Appendix D of the final SER</u></b>
	7. <u>Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the draft Basic Assessment Report from the registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&amp;APs) and organs of state, as listed in Table 2-1 of the stakeholder engagement report, and others that have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed and included in the final BAR.</u>	WSP confirms that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the draft Basic Assessment Report from the registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), organs of state, and commenting authorities have been adequately addressed within this final SER and the relevant sections of the final BAR.	-
	8. <u>The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of regulation 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.</u>	WSP confirms that the Public Participation Process has been conducted in terms of regulation 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.	-
	<u>Should you fail to meet any of the timeframes stipulated in Regulation 19 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, your application will lapse.</u>	WSP and the applicant acknowledges and takes cognisance this comment.	-
	<u>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.</u>	WSP and the applicant acknowledges and takes cognisance this comment	-



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Natasha Higgitt  
11 May 2023  
Email

Good day

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 link. 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. If a case already exists on SAHRIS regarding the development, please upload the documents to that case. Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case applications, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the applications or DropBox links as official submissions.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\***

An application fee is now required for all section 38 applications. Please ensure that the SAHRIS application contains a proof of payment as per the notice at the following link: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/content/what-are-sahra-processing-fees-and-banking-details>. A payment of R 2 000.00 for each application is required. Applications that do not include a proof of payment will be considered incomplete and will not be processed until proof of payment is provided.

The project details and proof of payment of the application fee (Case ID 21037) were uploaded to the SAHRIS website on the 11 May 2023 as advised by the Natasha Higgitt for the Section 38/8 comment.

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Natasha Higgitt  
09 June 2023  
Letter (via SAHRIS)

Final Comment: In terms of Section 38(4), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd  
Case ID: 21037

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Enertrag South Africa (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed grid connection for the Camden 1 PV near Ermelo, Mpumalanga Province.

A draft Basic Assessment Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management

Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include the construction of 132KV

WSP confirms that the recommendations provided in the final comment from SAHRA has been included in Section 9.5 of the final BAR report.

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	<p><u>powerlines (four alternative routes have been assessed), a substation and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (two alternative locations have been assessed) and a collector and switching substation (two alternative locations have been assessed), construction clearance, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, oil dams, workshop and office area, fencing, access and internal roads.</u></p> <p><u>Prof Marion Bamford and Beyond Heritage (Pty) Ltd was appointed to provide heritage specialist input into the EA process as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).</u></p> <p><u><i>Bamford, M. 2022. Palaeontological Impact Assessment for the proposed Grid Connection for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility (up to 210MW), west of Camden, Mpumalanga Province</i></u></p> <p><u>The proposed development area is underlain by the potentially fossiliferous Vryheid Formation that may contain fossil plant remains and the non-fossiliferous Jurassic dolerite. No fossils were identified as part of the site visit. A Fossil Chance Finds Protocol is recommended to be implemented.</u></p> <p><u><i>Van der Walt, J. 2022. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Camden I Solar up to 132kV Grid Connection, Mpumalanga Province</i></u></p> <p><u>A total of three heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. These include built structures of low and medium heritage significance. Other heritage resources were identified outside of the proposed development footprint such as built structures, however, will not be impacted by the development.</u></p> <p><u>Recommendations provided in the report include the following:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Implementation of a Chance Find Procedure for the Project (as outlined in Section 10.2);</u></li><li><u>The study area should be monitored by the ECO during construction;</u></li><li><u>Recorded heritage features should be indicated on development plans and avoided with a 30 m buffer; and</u></li><li><u>The final alignment should be subjected to a heritage walkthrough.</u></li></ul> <p><b><u>Final Comment:</u></b> <u>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 BAR and EMPr:</u></p>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>38(4)a – The SAHRA has no objections to the proposed development;</u></li><li>• <u>38(4)b – The recommendations of the specialists and in the EMPr are supported and must be adhered to. Further additional specific conditions are provided for the development as follows:</u></li><li>• <u>38(4)b – The recommendations of the specialists and in the EMPr are supported and must be adhered to. Further additional specific conditions are provided for the development as follows:</u></li><li>• <u>A report providing the results of the walkdown must be submitted to SAHRA for review and comment prior to the construction phase. No construction may commence without comments from SAHRA; SAHRA reserves the right to provided additional conditions based on the results of the walkdown report;</u></li><li>• <u>SAHRA reserves the right to object to the proposed development based on the results of the walkdown report;</u></li><li>• <u>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 (Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660/ nhiggitt@sahra.org.za) 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;</u></li><li>• <u>38(4)c(ii) – If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA DAU (Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660), 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;</u></li><li>• <u>38(4)d – See section 51 of the NHRA regarding offences;</u></li><li>• <u>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;</u></li><li>• <u>The Final BAR and EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes;</u></li><li>• <u>The decision regarding the EA Application must be communicated to SAHRA and uploaded to the SAHRIS Case application.</u></li></ul>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>38(4)e – The following conditions apply with regards to the appointment of specialists:</u></li> <li>• <u>With reference to the mitigation work noted above, a qualified archaeologist must be appointed to undertake the work in terms of the permit applied for as noted above.</u></li> <li>• <u>With reference to the mitigation work noted above, a qualified archaeologist must be appointed to undertake the work in terms of the permit applied for as noted above;</u></li> <li>• <u>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;</u></li> <li>• <u>The Final BAR and EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes;</u></li> <li>• <u>The decision regarding the EA Application must be communicated to SAHRA and uploaded to the SAHRIS Case application.</u></li> <li>• <u>Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.</u></li> </ul> <p><u>Yours faithfully</u> <u>Natasha Higgitt</u> <u>Manager: Development Applications Unit</u> <u>South African Heritage Resources Agency</u></p>		
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**South African National Roads Agency (SANRAL)**

<p><u>Ria Barkhuizen</u> <u>22 May 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p><u>Good day</u></p> <p><u>This email is an acknowledgement of receipt for your enquiry.</u></p> <p><u>Please note that in line with requirements of Section 29 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act (Act No 16 of 2013) read with Section 3 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (Act No 3 of 2000) SANRAL have 30 days to acknowledge receipt of your application and 90 days to evaluate and provide response.</u></p> <p><u>Should you not receive any response within 120 days, kindly follow up on the enquiry by responding to Jan Oliver who will be dealing with it and will convert back to you. He can be contacted on (012) 426-6242 / Cell 081 010 6403.</u></p> <p><u>Tx and Regards</u> <u>Ria</u></p>	<p><u>EAP Response:</u> <u>Good Day,</u></p> <p><u>Thank you for the acknowledgment of receipt.</u></p> <p><u>Please feel free to revert should you have any queries.</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards,</u> <u>Jashmika Maharaj</u></p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b></p>
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<p><u>Given Mongwe</u> <u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p>Good Morning Ashlea</p> <p><u>I'm trying to reach you on both your cell phone and land line. I need to chat to you about the Camden proposal.</u></p> <p><u>Warm regards</u> <u>Mongwe</u> <u>012 315 2084</u></p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response:</u></b> <u>Dear Given</u></p> <p><u>Thank you for your call earlier.</u> <u>As mentioned, please liaise with Mr Gideon Raath (in cc) from the developer – he will be best placed to address your queries.</u></p> <p><u>Tel - +27 10 003 0717</u> <u>Mob - +27 71 752 8033</u> <u>Email - gideon.raath@enertrag.com</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards</u> <u>Ashlea</u></p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b></p>
<p><u>Given Mongwe</u> <u>17 May 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p>Good Morning</p> <p><u>I'm still waiting for someone to contact me concerning the Camden proposal. See below e-mail for ease of reference.</u></p> <p><u>Warm regards</u> <u>Mongwe</u> <u>012 315 2084</u></p> <p>Good Morning</p> <p><u>Thank you, I will engage with him (Gideon Raath – Enertrag SA)</u></p> <p><u>Warm regards</u> <u>Mongwe</u></p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response:</u></b> <u>Dear Given</u></p> <p><u>I believe we did have a discussion on 12 May 2023 – whereafter I provided the information in the attached email.</u> <u>Please let me know if there were any further queries post our discussion.</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards</u> <u>Ashlea</u></p> <p><b><u>Applicant Response:</u></b> <u>Hi Given,</u></p> <p><u>Thanks for the discussion, much appreciated for checking in on this! I will get back to you with the wayleave applications once we've confirmed the crossing and Transnet property needs, so will get in touch in a while to take those forward.</u></p> <p><u>Kind Regards,</u> <u>Mr. Gideon Raath</u></p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b></p>

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<b>Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment: Biodiversity Conservation</b>			
<p>Seoka Lekota 12 June 2023 Letter (via email)</p>	<p>Dear Ms. Strong</p> <p><u>COMMENTS OF THE DRAFT /BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY 132KV GRID CONNECTION NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA PROVINCE</u></p> <p>It is further noted that the project site is not located in an Important Bird Area (IBA), but it is located between three IBAs. The closest IBA being Grasslands IBA020, which is located 6-7km to the east of the site. Due to the close proximity of the site to IBAs, it possible that the proposed project could impact on some of the trigger species in the IBA which are powerline sensitive. It is therefore recommended that Anti-collision devices such a bird flappers must be installed where power lines cross avifaunal corridors (e.g., grasslands, rivers, wetlands, and dams).</p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the use of Anti-collision devices such a bird flappers where power lines cross avifaunal corridors (e.g., grasslands, rivers, wetlands, and dams) is included as a recommendation in the EMPr (Section 6.8)</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER EMPr – Section 6.8</u></b></p>
	<p>Furthermore, four alternative routes have been identified for the powerline corridor, two alternatives for collector substance and two for the BESS &amp; substations. The transmission route for alternative 3 and 4 crosses two tributaries of the Vaal River and secondary roads and two farm roads. The collector &amp; substation 1 is located within high ecological sensitivity. While collector &amp; substation alternative 2 is located within medium-low sensitivity. The BESS &amp; substation alternative is located within high ecological sensitivity, while BESS &amp; substation 2 is located within low ecological sensitivity, with small portion of the infrastructure touching on high ecological sensitivity. The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation is in support of Alternative 2 for the transmission line as it runs parallel to the existing regional dirt road and alternative 2 for both the collector substation and BESS &amp; substation. However, no pylons must be placed in areas delineated as very high sensitivity wetlands (No-Go Areas).</p> <p><u>In conclusion, the Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA for review and queries should be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za for the attention of Mr. Seoka Lekota.</u></p> <p>Yours faithfully Mr. Seoka Lekota Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation</p>	<p>WSP and the applicant acknowledges and takes cognisance this comment. The following recommendation and mitigation measure has been included in the final BAR (section 9.6) and EMPr (Section 7.5): “No pylons must be placed in areas delineated as very high sensitivity wetlands (No-Go Areas)”.</p>	<p><b><u>final BAR - section 9.6; EMPr - Section 7.5</u></b></p>
<b>Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA)</b>			
<p>EAP Follow up 15 June Email:</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Follow up:</u></b></p> <p>Ref: LU A23/3468</p> <p>Good day,</p> <p><u>Thank you for the attached comments (Ref: LU A23/3468) for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility.</u></p>		<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b></p>

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	<p>Please can you advise if we should expect a comment for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility as well.</p> <p>Kindly note that commenting period lapsed on the 12 June 2023, therefore if a response will be issued we do require it as soon as possible.</p> <p>Kind regards, Jashmika Maharaj</p>		
<p>EAP Follow up 19 June Email;</p> <p>Frans Krige 19 June 2023 Email</p>	<p>Good day,</p> <p>This a kind follow up on the email below.</p> <p>Your urgent response will be much appreciated. Thank you.</p> <p>Kind regards, Jashmika Maharaj</p>	<p><b>MTPA Response:</b></p> <p>Good day, I am currently on leave till 3 July</p> <p><b>EAP Response:</b></p> <p>Good day,</p> <p>Noted, thank you. We will await your response upon return.</p> <p>Kind regards, Jashmika Maharaj</p> <p><i>Note: The MTPA comment will be submitted to the DFFE when received.</i></p>	
<p>EAP Follow up 03 July 2023 Email;</p> <p>Frans Krige 03 July 2023 Email</p>	<p>Good Day Mr. Krige,</p> <p>I trust you are well.</p> <p>The email trail refers. Please can you provide clarity on my previous request.</p> <p><u>I have received the attached letters for the project but both letters refer to the Camden I WEF. Will there be a letter for the Camden I SEF project?</u></p> <p><u>Kindly note that commenting period lapsed on the 12 June 2023, therefore if a response will be issued, we do require it as soon as possible.</u></p> <p>Many thanks, Jashmika Maharaj</p>	<p><b>MTPA Response:</b></p> <p>Dear Khumbelo</p> <p>Hope you are well.</p> <p><u>The Camden REF documents that you have received, were they possibly the Camden Solar Energy facility ?</u></p> <p><u>I have received volume 1 to 4 of the proposed Camden 1 Grid connections application but do not have the Camden 1 Solar facility proposal.</u></p> <p>Kind Regards Frans</p>	
<p>EAP Follow up 14 July 2023 Email;</p> <p>Frans Krige 14 July 2023 Email</p>	<p>Good day,</p> <p>The email trail refers.</p> <p>This is a kind follow up regarding the outstanding comment for the Camden 1 Solar Energy facility.</p> <p>Please note that the final BA is due to the competent authority and we would like to include your comment.</p> <p>Kind regards, Jashmika Maharaj</p>	<p><b>MTPA Response:</b></p> <p>Dear Jashmika, I cannot assess this document because I do not have it.</p> <p>Sorry.</p> <p>Regards Frans</p> <p><b>EAP Response:</b></p> <p>Hi Frans,</p>	

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		<p><u>Thank you, I appreciate your response.</u></p> <p><u>Please note that the documents for Camden 1 WEF (volumes 1-4 ) and SEF (volumes 1-3) were couriered together.</u></p> <p><u>However, I have reattached our initial email with links to provide access to the information for the Camden 1 Solar Energy facility.</u></p> <p><u>We also received two different comments for the WEF project (see attached) and I assumed one of them could potentially be for the SEF?</u></p> <p><u>I hope you can assist, thank you.</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards,</u> <u>Jashmika Maharaj</u></p> <p><u>MTPA Response:</u></p> <p><u>Jashmika</u></p> <p><u>The documents on the Camden 1 WEF grid connection and facilities that you have received is the same document one the draft and the signed one the final.</u></p> <p><u>I will enquire from the Lydenburg office if they have received the second Camden 1 ,Solar Energy Facility grid connections application or not.</u></p> <p><u>You might as well send me the link again because I can't find it.</u></p> <p><u>There is however another matter that you also must be aware of. The agreement between WSP and DARDLEA is that your application on Camden 1 WEF and SEF will be shelved until such time that the Langcarel Nature Reserve is de-proclaimed by the DFFE. I am not mandated to process that application to de-proclaim the Nature Reserve and is reluctant to assess applications within the Nature Reserve for approval until such time that the agreement comes into affect.</u></p> <p><u>Hope you understand, I do not know the location of the proposed Camden 1 SEF grid connection and facilities until I see EMP.</u></p> <p><u>Kind Regards</u> <u>Frans</u></p> <p><u>MTPA Response:</u></p> <p><u>Hi Jashmika, sorry, I did receive the link. All these power interruptions are a nuisance.</u></p> <p><u>Will contact you next week after Wednesday.</u></p> <p><u>Regards</u> <u>Frans</u></p>	
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<p><u>EAP Follow up</u> <u>19 July 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p><u>Dear Frans</u></p> <p>Thank you for your email below.</p> <p>I am glad to hear you did receive the link to the documentation.</p> <p>Just a quick note from my side – please be aware that DARDLEA is the commenting authority on the Camden I WEF and SEF Overhead Powerline (OHPL) Projects. The Competent Authority for both applications is the Nation Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE). Further to this the applications are not on hold. Both the Camden I SEF and WEF (the renewable facilities) have received their Environmental Authorisations (EA) from the DFFE. The “De-Proclamation” of the LangCarel Nature Reserve has been included as a condition of the EAs, as follows:</p> <p><u>34. Construction must only commence once the Protected Area status (Proclaimed Private Nature Reserve: Langcarel Private Nature Reserve) has been changed or deproclaimed for the directly affected properties (i.e., Portion 1 of Farm No. 322 Welgelegen).</u></p> <p>The ‘De-Proclamation / Withdrawal’ process is being managed by Mr Brian Morris (Manager, Protected Areas Expansion, MTPA). Mr Morris has been liaising directly with the Applicant in this regard and has informed the Applicant that the process will take approximately 5 – 6 months.</p> <p>We look forward to receiving your ocmments on the Camden I SEF OHPL soon.</p> <p>Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any further queries. <u>Kind regards</u> <u>Ashlea Strong</u></p>		
<p><u>Frans Krige</u> <u>21 July 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p><u>Dear Ashlea</u></p> <p>I will liaise with Robyn Luyt with regards to further commenting to this project because it seems to me if our comments are not needed . You stated that the condition is for construction to commence after de-proclamation is approved. You mentioned only portion 1 of Welgelegen 322 will be directly affected by deproclamation, what about portion 2. Your Camden SEF grid connection lie in both.</p> <p>Furthermore I was not aware that DFFE has given a positive EA with the mentioned condition.</p> <p>Can this document be forwarded to me.</p> <p><u>Kind Regards</u> <u>Frans</u></p> <p><u>Dear Ashlea</u></p>	<p><u>EAP Response:</u></p> <p>Good morning Frans</p> <p><u>I think there has been a small misunderstanding – we definitely need your input on the Grid Connection for the SEF as this is an current application which is sitting with the DFFE and we are currently finalising the Final Basic Assessment for this project which is due for submission soon.</u></p> <p><u>The EA I am referring to is for the actual Solar Energy and Wind Energy Facilities which received their EAs earlier this year. The Solar Energy Facility itself (excluding the grid connection) only affects portion 1 of Welgelegen 322.</u></p> <p><u>The EAs for both projects where shared with you on 15 March 2023.</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards</u> <u>Ashlea Strong</u></p> <p><u>Thank you, Frans, for all your effort and input! It is greatly appreciated.</u></p> <p><u>Kind regards</u></p>	

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	<p>Thank you for this information. I did not receive the Camden 1 Solar OHPL and grid connection BAR. It was supposed to be assessed by someone else who took it. My apologies for my late response (Was send today) after I consulted with your website.</p> <p>Kind Regards Frans</p>	<p>Ashlea</p>	
<p>Frans Krige 21 July 2023 Letter (Via Email)</p>	<p>Dear Ms Strong</p> <p><u>SUBJECT: THE MTPA COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY OHPL GRID CONNECTION AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES FOR THE ENERTRAG – CAMDEN I SOLAR (RF) (PTY)LTD PROJECT NEAR ERMELO IN MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. WSP REF 41103247.</u></p> <p><u>With reference to your correspondence reference WPS ref: Project no: 41103247 of date May 2023 our comments:</u></p> <p><u>Purpose of the Overhead Power line and connection grid facilities.</u></p> <p><u>The purpose of the OHPL is to connect the Proposed Camden I SEF to the national grid. Therefore, the OHPL is required to be located between the grid on-site IPP substation for the solar facility and that of the Camden Collector substation. No alternative location for the proposed Project is deemed viable.</u></p> <p><u>It must be noted that the preferred options outlined are linked to the approved 400kV collector substation: (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134) as well as the approved Camden I SEF IPP Substation (DFFE Ref:14/12/16/3/3/2/2136).</u></p> <p><u>The MTPA is concerned that an EA has been obtained by DFFE for the Camden 1 Solar RF with the condition that no construction can take place until the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve has been deproclaimed without providing the MTPA LUA Unit this crucial information in writing. It is not clear if the whole Langcarel N/R and or both portions 1 and portions 2 of the farm Welgelegen 322 IS will be deproclaimed. It is indicated in the BAR that the facilities will be constructed over both portions 1 and portions 2. (Langcarel Private Nature Reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61).</u></p> <p><u>With regards to the MTPA, MBSP biodiversity assessment maps attached, figure 1 ,2 and 3 that includes the Terrestrial, Freshwater biodiversity assessments as well as the Land cover map, it is provided to assist the planners to avoid the following ecological sensitive habitats and indicates the degraded areas that is regarded as the preferential development sites.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the whole Langcarel N/R is the subject of a withdrawal/ deproclamation process as conducted by the MTPA. Refer to Appendix J of the Final BA report for the NEMPAA and Section 50 response letter.</p> <p>The applicant has engaged with the MTPA and the Management Authority (Landowner/s) to investigate the best way forward regarding the Langcarel Nature Reserve. The MTPA undertook a site visit on 01 June 2022. The MTPA has further submitted a letter to the DFFE (letter dated, 20 June 2022) of the intent to issue a notice to withdraw the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act (Act No. 10 of 1998). In conjunction with the affected landowners, a separate process is therefore underway to have it (or part thereof) withdrawn or de-proclaimed, as part of ongoing province-wide nature reserve verification efforts by the provincial authorities.</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER;</u></b> <b><u>Appendix J - Final BA</u></b></p>
	<p>1. <u>The PA area to be deproclaimed for this development must be established and finalised.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the whole Langcarel N/R is the subject of a withdrawal/deproclamation process as conducted by the MTPA. Refer to Appendix J of the Final BA report for the NEMPAA and Section 50 response letter.</p> <p>The applicant has engaged with the MTPA and the Management Authority (Landowner/s) to investigate the best way forward regarding the Langcarel</p>	<p><b><u>Appendix J - Final BA</u></b></p>

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		<p><u>Nature Reserve. The MTPA undertook a site visit on 01 June 2022. The MTPA has further submitted a letter to the DFFE (letter dated, 20 June 2022) of the intent to issue a notice to withdraw the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act (Act No. 10 of 1998). In conjunction with the affected landowners, a separate process is therefore underway to have it (or part thereof) withdrawn or de-proclaimed, as part of ongoing province-wide nature reserve verification efforts by the provincial authorities.</u></p>	
	<p>2. <u>CBA terrestrial irreplaceable areas must be avoided.</u></p>	<p><u>WSP can confirm that the findings of the terrestrial biodiversity specialist have been included in Section 6.2.1 of the final BA report and includes the CBA habitats conservation status (Table 6-5 of the final BA report).</u></p> <p><u>In addition, a combined sensitivity map showing the buffers associated with the terrestrial habitats (including CBAs) is included in Section 9.1, Figure 9-1 of the final BA report.</u></p> <p><u>It is important to note that the entire project development region is declared as a private nature reserve (albeit subject to withdrawal/de-proclamation currently). As this is the highest conservation category, none of the infrastructure proposed is located on any CBA terrestrial irreplaceable areas. The terrestrial biodiversity specialist report further includes a map in relation to CBA mapping for this region (refer Figure 6 of the specialist report), as well as a habitat (Figure 8) and sensitivity map derived therefrom (Figure 9), based on in-field survey and assessment. Importantly, no areas of very high sensitivity were found to be within grid assessment corridor as proposed by this application. In addition, the preferred alternative is located predominantly along a road and modified areas, thereby reducing its overall impact.</u></p> <p><u>Furthermore, the terrestrial biodiversity specialist determined the following of the grid assessment corridor as proposed by this application (emphasis added):</u></p> <p><i><u>At a regional level, the CBA map for Mpumalanga indicates various parts of the study area as being important for conservation. However, no parts of the site fall within CBAs (see Figure 6 on page 26). Rather, the site is located on Protected Area.</u></i></p> <p><i><u>The part of the site shown as a Protected Area occupies the parts of the site on the Farm Welgelegen 322 IT (green area in Figure 6). This is the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve, proclaimed in 1967. This is not being managed as a nature reserve and a separate process is underway to have it (or part thereof) de-proclaimed as part of ongoing province-wide reserve verification efforts by the provincial authorities. No evidence was observed on site of any conservation activities during the field assessment.</u></i></p> <p><u>The specialist furthermore stated the following as conclusion:</u></p>	

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		<p><i>The project is therefore deemed acceptable from a terrestrial biodiversity perspective, and it is recommended the Environmental Authorisation be granted. The author is of the opinion that the impacts associated with the project can be mitigated to acceptable levels provided the recommended mitigation measures identified are implemented.</i></p>	
	<p>3. <u>The IBA areas and the risks and mitigation involved must be acknowledged.</u></p>	<p>WSP confirms that an avifaunal impact assessment was undertaken, which included consideration of the IBAs in the broader study area, and an assessment of avifaunal sensitivity in relation to the proposed development. The findings of the assessment have been included in Sections 6.2.5, 7.8 and 8.6 of the final BA report and the mitigation measures have been included in Section 6.8 of the EMPr.</p> <p>The specialist concluded with the following finding:</p> <p><i>The proposed up to 132kV OHL will have a mostly moderate impact on priority avifauna which, in all instances, could be reduced to a low impact through appropriate mitigation. No fatal flaws were discovered during the onsite investigations. The proposed development is therefore supported, provided the mitigation measures listed in this report are strictly implemented</i></p>	<p><b><u>Sections 6.2.5, 7.8 and 8.6 of the final BA report; Section 6.8 of the EMPr</u></b></p>
	<p>4. <u>Wetlands must be delineated with a 100 meter buffer and avoided.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the aquatic specialist has provided buffers for the potentially impacted water resources associated with the project, and is included in Section 6.2.4, Table 6-9 of the final BA report. All mitigation measures and conditions as proposed by the specialist have been adhered to and included into the EMPr to be made binding on the proponent and contractors. In addition, the aquatic specialist determined the following in relation to the proposed infrastructure (emphasis added):</p> <p><i>With regard the proposed 132kV powerline and Eskom portion of the substation options including alternatives, the overall layout has avoided the delineated systems inclusive of the calculated buffers and the recommended 100m buffer. This is however based on the assumption that the grid connection towers are also placed outside of any of the delineated aquatic zones including buffers [as provided], no access tracks are located in these areas and the overhead cables span these.</i></p> <p>In addition, the specialist determined all impacts to be rated moderate pre-mitigation, and low post-mitigation, and concluded as follows:</p> <p><i>Based on the findings of this study, the specialist finds no reason to withhold to an authorisation of any of the proposed activities for the various projects, assuming that key mitigations measures are implemented.</i></p>	<p><b><u>Section 6.2.4, Table 6-9 of the final BA report</u></b></p>

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	<p>5. <u>Wherever wetland and river crossings is needed the EIA regulations must be followed.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the proposed wetland and river crossings were considered during the identification of potential activities to be triggered for the proposed project. The identified activities relating to aquatic features include Activity 12, 19 and 48 of LN 1, as well as Activity 10, 14 and 23 of LN 3, and is included in Section 2.1 of the final BA report.</p>	<p><b>Section 2.1 of the final BA report</b></p>
	<p>6. <u>The developer should take note of the National Strategic Water Source Area and the implications of developing in such an area.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the developer is aware of the National Strategic Water Source Area and will be applying for a Water Use Authorisation to meet these requirements.</p> <p>It is important to note that the grid connection infrastructure proposed is not considered a consumptive water use project, and requires no water during operation, and is therefore not considered of concern for water security.</p> <p>In addition, the specialist determined all impacts to be rated moderate pre-mitigation, and low post-mitigation, and concluded as follows:</p> <p><i>Based on the findings of this study, the specialist finds no reason to withhold to an authorisation of any of the proposed activities for the various projects, assuming that key mitigations measures are implemented.</i></p>	<p>-</p>
	<p>7. <u>The CBA River must be delineated with a 1km buffer and avoided.</u></p>	<p>WSP can confirm that the aquatic specialist has provided buffers for the potentially impacted water resources associated with the project, and is included in Section 6.2.4, Table 6-9 of the final BA report. All mitigation measures and conditions as proposed by the specialist have been adhered to and included into the EMPR to be made binding on the proponent and contractors.</p> <p>Importantly, grid connection corridors for alternative 1, alternative 2 (Preferred), and grid operator substation alternative 2 are all beyond 1km from the CBA river as delineated in the NBSP and <b>therefore not within the specified distance.</b></p> <p>In addition, the aquatic specialist determined the following in relation to the proposed infrastructure (emphasis added):</p> <p><i>With regard the proposed 132kV powerline and Eskom portion of the substation options including alternatives, the overall layout has avoided the delineated systems inclusive of the calculated buffers and the recommended 100m buffer. This is however based on the assumption that the grid connection towers are also placed outside of any of the delineated aquatic zones including buffers [as provided], no access tracks are located in these areas and the overhead cables span these.</i></p> <p>In addition, the specialist determined all impacts to be rated moderate pre-mitigation, and low post-mitigation, and concluded as follows:</p>	<p><b>Section 6.2.4, Table 6-9 of the final BA report</b></p>

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		<u>Based on the findings of this study, the specialist finds no reason to withhold to an authorisation of any of the proposed activities for the various projects, assuming that key mitigations measures are implemented.</u>	
	8. <u>The old lands and degraded areas are regarded as preferential development areas.</u>	<p>WSP can confirm that this has been considered in the site sensitivity and agricultural compliance statement study and the findings of the study is included in Section 6.1.4 of the final BA report.</p> <p>In addition, it should be noted that the preferred grid connection corridor proposed is predominantly located along old lands, roads and current cultivation.</p>	<b><u>Section 6.1.4 of the final BA report</u></b>
	<p>Take note of the DFFE screening tool report that indicates a very high sensitivity rating for Aquatic biodiversity and Terrestrial Biodiversity themes amongst others that requires thorough onsite specialist assessments. The MTPA insist that the proposal to do another site inspection during the growing season on the development footprint before any construction commences, is done. All the Conservation important species should be rescued by specialists and successfully reintroduced. The necessary removal permits should be obtained and produced on request.</p> <p>The MBSP maps provided also indicates the BirdlifeSA Important Bird Areas Situated on both sides of the project area. The power lines and grid connections must be properly marked with bird flappers or any improved technical deterrents to avoid collisions or poles being used to roost on.</p> <p>Your cooperation will be appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if there are any enquiries. Mr MH Vilakazi Acting Chief Executive Officer</p>	<p>WSP confirms that both an aquatic biodiversity and terrestrial biodiversity specialists' studies have been undertaken (both studies having been conducted in the wet, and therefore ideal seasons – August and March (aquatic study), and February (terrestrial study)). The findings of the aquatic biodiversity impact assessment have been included in Sections 6.2.4, 7.4 and 8.4 of the final BA report and the mitigation measures have been included in Section 6.6 of the EMPr. All mitigation measures and conditions as proposed by the specialist have been adhered to and included into the EMPr to be made binding on the proponent and contractors. Importantly, recommendations have been made and incorporated into the EMPr towards conducted survey and applications for biodiversity permits as required.</p> <p>In addition, preconstruction walkthroughs have been specified and incorporated into the EMPRs by both the plant and animal biodiversity specialists, as well as requiring biodiversity permits be obtained under the relevant national or provincial legislation, prior to commencement of construction.</p> <p>Furthermore, the recommendation for bird flight diverters has been specified by the avifaunal specialist, and has been included into the EMPr and therefore made binding on the proponent and contractors. Please refer to section 6.8.3 of the EMPr.</p>	<b><u>Sections 6.2.4, 7.4, 8.4 of the final BA report; Section 6.6 of the EMPr</u></b>
<b><u>I&amp;APs</u></b>			
<p>Erine Rawlinson 12 May 2023 Email</p>	<p>Good morning Jashmika, Kindly indicate the procedure we need to follow to register as an interested and affected party for the abovementioned development. This will for Camden Power Station not as an individual</p> <p>Kind regards, Erine Rawlinson</p>	<p>Good Day Erin, Thank you for your response.</p> <p>Please note that to be registered you must provide me with the details of the individual/ organisation that wants to be registered.</p> <p>I will then add the details to our database so you will be kept updated on the project and will receive the necessary documents.</p>	<b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b>

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	<p><u>Environmental Officer</u> <u>Environmental Department</u> <u>Generation Division</u> <u>Camden Power Station, Ermelo</u> <u>Tel +27 (0)17 827 8257 Pax 3257</u> <u>Cell +27 (0)82 773 2823</u> <u>rawline@eskom.co.za</u></p>	<p><u>I hope this provides clarity.</u>  <u>Kind regards</u></p>	
<p><u>Erine Rawlinson</u> <u>12 May 2023</u> <u>Email:</u></p>	<p><u>Good day Jashmika,</u>  <u>Attached a letter (from Thabiso Mpongo) with Eskom Generation Camden Power Station information. Kindly add us to your email list as an I&amp;AP.</u>  <u>Thanks in advance.</u> <u>Erine Rawlinson</u> <u>Environmental Officer</u> <u>Environmental Department</u> <u>Generation Division</u> <u>Camden Power Station, Ermelo</u> <u>Tel +27 (0)17 827 8257 Pax 3257</u> <u>Cell +27 (0)82 773 2823</u> <u>rawline@eskom.co.za</u></p>	<p><u>Good day,</u>  <u>Thank you for your interest in the project, we will register you as an I&amp;AP.</u>  <u>Kind regards,</u></p>	<p><b><u>Appendix D of the SER</u></b></p>
<p><u>Thabiso Mpongo</u> <u>(Eskom)</u> <u>16 May 2023</u> <u>Letter (via email)</u></p>	<p><u>Dear J. Maharaj</u> <u>Reference: CAM/ENV/05/2023</u>  <u>RE: CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA – REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY</u>  <u>1. INTRODUCTION</u> <u>Eskom Holdings SOC Limited: Camden Power Station is situated near Ermelo, Mpumalanga and is coal fired power station that supply electricity to the national grid of South Africa. Camden Power Station adhere to the ISO 14001:2015 requirements and is certified as such.</u> <u>In May 2023 we received an email about the proposed development of two grid connections for the Camden Renewable Energy Complex near Ermelo, Mpumalanga. Part of the requirements of the ISO14001 is to influence possible environmental activities that might have an impact on our daily aspects.</u>  <u>2. REGISTER AS INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY</u></p>	<p><u>WSP confirms that Eskom Holdings SOC Limited has been registered interested and affected party (I&amp;AP) and the details of the I&amp;AP provided have been included in the stakeholder database in Appendix A of this final SER.</u></p>	<p><b><u>Appendix A of the SER</u></b></p>

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	<p><u>In terms of ISO 14001:2015 Clause 4.2 Camden Power Station would like to register as an interested and affected party for the proposed development of two grid connections for the Camden Renewable Energy complex near Ermelo, Mpumalanga, and any other similar developments close to Camden Power Station. Below the required information you might need to register Camden Power Station as a registered interested and affected party:</u></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><u>Name of District Municipality</u></td> <td><u>Gert Sibande DM</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Name of Local Municipality</u></td> <td><u>Msukaligwa</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Enterprise Name</u></td> <td><u>Eskom Holdings SOC Limited</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Trading as</u></td> <td><u>Camden Power Station</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Registered Address</u></td> <td><u>Megawatt Park, Maxwell Dr, Sunninghill, Sandton</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Postal Address</u></td> <td><u>Eskom Camden, Private Bag X1002, Numcan, 2355</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Industry</u></td> <td><u>Power Generation</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Land use zoning</u></td> <td><u>Heavy industry</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Name of General Manager</u></td> <td><u>Justice Bore</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Name of Environmental Manager</u></td> <td><u>Thabiso Mpongo</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Future Correspondence send to</u></td> <td><u>Thabiso Mpongo</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Cell number</u></td> <td><u>083 522 2979</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Email</u></td> <td><u><a href="mailto:MpongoT@eskom.co.za">MpongoT@eskom.co.za</a></u></td> </tr> </table>	<u>Name of District Municipality</u>	<u>Gert Sibande DM</u>	<u>Name of Local Municipality</u>	<u>Msukaligwa</u>	<u>Enterprise Name</u>	<u>Eskom Holdings SOC Limited</u>	<u>Trading as</u>	<u>Camden Power Station</u>	<u>Registered Address</u>	<u>Megawatt Park, Maxwell Dr, Sunninghill, Sandton</u>	<u>Postal Address</u>	<u>Eskom Camden, Private Bag X1002, Numcan, 2355</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Power Generation</u>	<u>Land use zoning</u>	<u>Heavy industry</u>	<u>Name of General Manager</u>	<u>Justice Bore</u>	<u>Name of Environmental Manager</u>	<u>Thabiso Mpongo</u>	<u>Future Correspondence send to</u>	<u>Thabiso Mpongo</u>	<u>Cell number</u>	<u>083 522 2979</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u><a href="mailto:MpongoT@eskom.co.za">MpongoT@eskom.co.za</a></u>		
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<p><u>Ryan David-Andersen</u> <u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Email</u></p>	<p><u>Dear Jashmika,</u> <u>Please may you register AMDA Developments with my signature below as an I&amp;AP for all application processes in the vicinity of Ermelo - we are developing Camden WEF with EDF, neighbouring the Enertrag Camden I WEF.</u> <u>Please may you also provide a kmz of the most recent proposed MTS location to facilitate our grid planning, at this stage to confirm the corridor to be assessed by the environmental specialists for potential connection to the MTS, as we initiate our EA application process.</u></p> <p><u>Thanks very much.</u> <u>Ryan David-Andersen</u> <u>Senior Development Manager</u> <u>AMDA Developments (Pty) Ltd</u></p> <p><u>Mobile: +27 72 678 1523</u> <u>Email: <a href="mailto:nryan@amdadevelopments.co.za">nryan@amdadevelopments.co.za</a></u></p>	<p><u>Good Day Ryan,</u></p> <p><u>Thank you for your interest in the project. We will add you to our database as an I&amp;AP.</u></p> <p><u>Attached is the request shapefiles. Please note that these are corridors, so the entire corridor route is applicable; and the preferred substation sites have been approved.</u></p> <p><u>Please can you add Gideon Raath to your stakeholder database as an I&amp;AP for all application processes in the vicinity of Ermelo. His contact details are below. Thank you.</u></p> <p><u>Mr. Gideon Raath</u> <u>Senior Project Developer</u></p> <p><u>Tel. +27 10 003 0717   Mob. +27 71 752 8033  <a href="mailto:gideon.raath@enertrag.com">gideon.raath@enertrag.com</a>   53 Dudley Road   Parkwood   Johannesburg   South Africa</u></p> <p><u>ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd.   Reg no. 2017/143710/07   Suite 104, Albion Springs   183 Main Road   Rondebosch   Cape Town   South Africa   7700   Dr. Tobias Bischof-Niemz, Stephen Koopman, Mercia Grimbeek   <a href="http://www.enertrag.co.za">www.enertrag.co.za</a></u></p>																											
<p><u>Ryan David-Andersen</u> <u>19 May 2023</u></p>	<p><u>Fantastic thank you Jashmika!</u></p> <p><u>Gideon has been added as an I&amp;AP to our applicable EA application processes</u></p>																												



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<u>Email</u>		<u>Kind regards,</u> <u>Jashmika Maharaj</u>	
<u>Tsunke D Hlanyane</u> <u>11 May 2023</u> <u>Email</u>	<u>Afternoon Madam,</u>  <u>Noted.</u>  <u>Kind Regards</u> <u>Tsunke D Hlanyane</u> <u>Senior Manager: Municipal Health &amp; Environmental Services</u> <u>Gert Sibande District Municipality – Community &amp; Social Services</u> <u>Cnr of Joubert &amp; Oosthuise Str • PO Box 1748 • Ermelo • 2350</u> <u>S26 31' 25.73" E29 58' 19.25" • Vat Reg: 4960107086</u> <u>Main: +27 (0)17 801 7081 • Cell: +27 (0)82 904 0736</u> <u>Email: dan.hlanyane@gsibande.gov.za • Website: www.gsibande.gov.za •</u> <u>records@gsibande.gov.za</u>	<u>Good Day,</u> <u>Thank you for your acknowledgment to our notice.</u> <u>Please advise if we may add your contact information to our database for the</u> <u>above-mentioned project.</u>  <u>Kind regards,</u>	<b><u>Appendix D of the</u></b> <b><u>SER</u></b>

# APPENDIX

## A STAKEHOLDER DATABASE

**Camden Renewable Energy Cluster - Stakeholder Database**

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	COMPANY/PROPERTY OWNED	POSITION	
<b>LAND OWNERS LIST</b>				
<b>Camden 1</b>				
Personal details have been redacted as required by the POPI Act		Portion 1- Farm No 422 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 3- Farm No 293 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 2- Farm No 292 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 14- Farm No 290 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 10- Farm No 292 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 2- Farm No 292 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 0- Farm No 422 (Lease& Servitude)	Zeele Broers CC	
		Portion 3- Farm No 422 (Lease & Servitude)	Zeele Broers CC	
		Portion 1 - Farm No 322 (Lease & Servitude)	Patronella Reyneke	
		Portion 2 - Farm No 322 (Lease & Servitude)	Patronella Reyneke	
		Portion 3 - Farm No 295 (Lease & Servitude)	Patronella Reyneke	
		Portion 12-Farm 292 (Servitude)	Transnet Freight Rail	
		Portion 20-Farm 290 (Servitude)	Transnet Freight Rail	
	<b>Camden 2</b>			
	Personal details have been redacted as required by the POPI Act		Portion 0 - Farm No 295 Servitude only	Mooiplats Colliery
		Portion 1- Farm No 296 (Lease & Servitude)	Lood De Jager Trust	
		Portion 3- Farm No 327 (Lease & Servitude)	Hein Buhmann	
		Portion 0- Farm No 296 (Lease & Servitude)	Rassie Saaiman Trust	
		Portion 2- Farm No 296 (Lease & Servitude)	Smuts Estate	
		Portion 2- Farm No 296 (Lease & Servitude)	Smuts Estate	
		Portion 3- Farm No 297 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
		Portion 4- Farm No 297 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
		Portion 5- Farm No 297 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
		Portion 3- Farm No 296 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
		Portion 5- Farm No 326 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
		Portion 6- Farm No 327 (Lease & Servitude)	Van Der Meulen Trust	
<b>WARD COUNCILLORS</b>				
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Ward 11 Councillor		
	Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Municipality	Ward 7 Councillor		
<b>COMMENTING AUTHORITIES</b>				
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Integrated Environmental Authorisations		
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	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Integrated Environmental Authorisations		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation		
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	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Protected Areas		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Protected Areas		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Air Quality		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Air Quality		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Deputy Director: Environmental Impact Management		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Environmental officer- EIA		
<b>NATIONAL AUTHORITIES</b>				
	Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport (DPWR) (National)	Chief Director in the Office of the DG		
	Department of Minerals and Resources (DMR) (National)	Director General's Office		
	Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS)	Director: Water Allocation		
	Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS)	Deputy Director: Compulsory Licensing		
	Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS) Head Office: Resource Protection & Waste	Deputy Director: Resource Protection & Waste		
	Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS)	Instream Water Use Section		
	South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA)	Heritage Officer: Archaeology		
	South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA)	Heritage Officer		
	South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA)	The Provincial Manager		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Air Quality Directorate		
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Climate Change & Air Quality Management		
	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development	Directorate: Land Use and Soil Management		
<b>PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES</b>				
	Department of Mineral Resources (DMR)	Sub-Directorate: Mine Environmental Management		
	Mpumalanga Department of Minerals and Resources (DMR)	Regional Manager – Mpumalanga Region		
	Mpumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Acting Chief Director		
	Mpumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Control Officer		
	Mpumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Regional Director: Mpumalanga		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs	Deputy Director: Environmental Impact Management		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Environmental officer- EIA		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Head of Department		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Chief Director (Environmental Services)		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Chief Director: Land Restitution Support		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Director: Quality Assurance		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Information Management Support		
	Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Agricultural Unit		

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Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Agricultural Unit
Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Deputy Director: Environmental Impact Management
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Regional Land Claims Commissioner Mpumalanga
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Chief Directorate: Climate Change Monitoring, Evaluation and Mitigation
Mpumalanga Department of Water and Sanitation: Oliphant's Protocol-CMA	Directorate: IE Water Quality Management
Mpumalanga Department of Social Development	Head of Department
Mpumalanga Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport (DPWR)	Head of Department
Mpumalanga Department of Public Works Road and Transport	Public Works
Mpumalanga Department of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs	Head of Department
Mpumalanga Department of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs	Acting Head of Communications
Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Authority	Provincial Heritage Resources Officer
Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Agency	Heritage Officer
Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency	Development Assessment Officer
Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency	Control Scientist for Biodiversity Planning
Department of Defence Mpumalanga	Director Facilities: Logistics Division
Department of Defence Force Mpumalanga	Officer Commanding
<b>LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES</b>	
<b>MSUKALIGWA</b>	
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Executive Mayor
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Municipal Manager
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Speaker
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	MMC for Planning and Economic Development
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	MMC Community Development
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	MMC for Technical Services
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Manager Local Economic Development (LED)
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	IDP Manager
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Transversal Coordinator (Office of the Chief Whip)
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Town Planning Department
<b>Dr PIXLEY KA SEME</b>	
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Executive Mayor
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Acting Municipal Manager
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Speaker
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	MMC for Planning and Development
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	MMC Community Development
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	MMC for Technical Services
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Manager Local Economic Development (LED) & IDP
<b>DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY</b>	
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Executive Mayor
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Municipal Manager
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Senior Environmental Officer/ Air Quality
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Air Quality Official
Gert Sibande District Municipality	District Air Quality Officer
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Senior Manager: Planning & Economic Development
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Senior Manager: Municipal Health and Environmental Services
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Senior Manager: Council Support
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Gert Sibande: Speaker
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Environmental Officer: Municipal Health and Environmental Services
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Senior Manager: Municipal Health & Environmental Services
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Manager: Municipal Environmental Services
<b>TRIBAL AUTHORITIES</b>	
Gert Sibande Local House of Traditional Leaders	Secretary
Mpumalanga Provincial House of Traditional Leaders	Acting Chief Director
<b>ORGANS OF STATE / PARASTATALS</b>	
Transnet Freight Rail	Senior Manager: Risk Management / Coal BU / Transnet Freight Rail
Transnet Freight Rail	Co-ordinator
Eskom Transmission Grid Planning Land and Rights	Senior Consultant Environmental Management
Eskom Transmission Land and Rights	Mpumalanga Co-ordinator
Telkom/Blue Tech part of Telkom	Area Manager
Eskom Holdings SOC Limited	Environmental Manager
Camden Power Station	
<b>BUSSINESSES</b>	
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	Project Developer
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	
GreenCape	Senior Analyst: Energy
GreenCape	
G7 Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd	Environmental Project Developer
Sereti Green	Development Director
EDF Renewables	
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AMDA	
Mullo Renewable Project Developments	

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AMDA Developments (Pty) Ltd	Senior Development Manager
Private Contractor	
<b>NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATIONS</b>	
Federation of Sustainable Environment (FSE) & Mpumalanga Lakes District Protection Group	Representative
Federation of Sustainable Environment (FSE)	Chief Executive Officer
BirdLife South Africa	Head of Department
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Chief Executive Officer
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Highland Grassland Field Officer
Mpumalanga Agri SA	
Mpumalanga Landbou Unie	Chief Executive Officer
Transvaal Landbou Unie	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA) : Northern Region	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	
Mpumalanga Wetland Forum	Chairperson
South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)	Chairperson
Waterval Forum	
Olifants River Forum	Olifants River Forum Coordinator
Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Areas (CMA)	Chief Executive Officer
Inkomati Usuthu Catchment Agency (IUCMA)	Environmental Office: Water Resources Utilization
Inkomati Usuthu Catchment Agency (IUCMA)	Scientist
Mpumalanga District Farmers Association	
<b>MEDIA</b>	
Highvelder Newspaper	
Tribune Koerant/Newspaper	
<b>PUBLIC PLACES</b>	
Gert Sibande District Municipality Library	Manager - Nosipho
Dr Ploey Ka Seme Municipality Library	Librarian
Mukaligwa Local Municipality Library ( Wesselton, Thusi Ville, Casseim Park Libraries) under Mukaligwa	Manager (Christna Librarian)
<b>CELL PHONE COMPANIES</b>	
Vodacom	Regional Manager
MTN	Head of Department
Cell C	Area Manager
<b>AIR TRAFFIC AND WEATHER COMPANIES</b>	
South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	Obstacle Inspector
Air Traffic and Navigation Service (ATNS)	Executive Engineering
SA Weather Service (SAWS)	Head of Technical Services
<b>MINING RIGHT HOLDERS</b>	
Langcarel (Pty) Ltd (Mooiplaats Colliery) MC Mining	CEO Mooiplaats Colliery
Anker Coal	Community Investment Holdings
Anker Coal	Environmental Officer
Exoaro Coal Mpumalanga	Legal Asset and Property Management
South 32	
Kangra Coal	Legal Adviser for Canyon Coal
Kangra Coal	Environmental Manager for Canyon Coal
Hoyohoyo Mining (Pty) Ltd	
Bulemin Resources	
Bulemin Resources	
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**ADJACENT LANDOWNERS COMPANY**

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Portion 0 of Farm 322 (Welgelegen)	MGAYO INV TRUST
Portion 0 of Farm 295 (Klipbank)	Mooiplaats Colliery
Portion 3 of Farm 295 (Klipbank)	
Portion 9 of Farm 290 (Mooiplaats)	EGLIN INV NO.44 PTY LTD
Portion 14 of Farm 290 (Mooiplaats)	Lood De Jager Trust
Portion 15 of Farm 292 (Uitkomst)	TRANSNET LTD
Portion 19 of Farm 292 (Uitkomst)	

# APPENDIX

## B

## NOTIFICATIONS



# APPENDIX

## ***B-1*** ADVERTISEMENT

## ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES

### NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development.

#### DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst other the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the cluster two up to 132kV overhead powerlines, substations and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations includes the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility and the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility both located on Portions 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

- GNR 983: 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 27, 28(ii), 30, 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii)
- GNR 985: 4, 12, 14, 15, 18, 23
- GA / WUL (as applicable): Section 21 (c) and (i)
- Section (53)(1) MPRDA application, as applicable

#### REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

#### DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023**.

- Ermelo Regional Library: Wedgewood Avenue 2351 Ermelo (082 797 5119)
- Thusiville Public Library: Wesselton Ext 2 (082 797 5119)
- WSP Website: <https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents>
- Datafree Website: <https://wsp-engage.com/>

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## OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE

### KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN TWEE NETVERBINDINGS VIR DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIEKOMPLEKS NABY ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Kennis word gegee in terme van:

- Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer kragtens artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke om omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) in respek vir aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983, GNR 984 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)
- Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing)
- Artikel 53(1) aansoek kragtens die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleumhulpbronne (MPRDA) vir grondgebruik strydig met die doelwitte van die Wet, met betrekking tot die ontwikkeling van elektriese netwerkinfrastruktuur.

#### BESKRYWING EN LIGGING

ENERTRAG Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (ENERTRAG), stel voor, m 'n hernubare energiekompleks, bestaande uit, onder andere die Camden I Windenergie- en Sonenergiefasiliteite, naby Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. As deel van die projek word twee tot en met 132kV oorhoofse kraglyne, substasies en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur benodig. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die Basiese Assesering (BA)-prosesse in vir die tot en met 132kV-kraglyne, substasie en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Windenergiefasiliteit, sowel as die tot en met 132kV-kraglyne, substasie en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Sonenergiefasiliteit, beide geleë op Gedeeltes 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No 322.

#### OMGEWINGSTOEPASSINGS

Die verwagte gelyste aktiwiteitsnommers wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder weerspieël. Indien u 'n volledige kopie van hierdie aktiwiteite op die lys wil bekom, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsevalueringpraktisyn (WHP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

- GNR 983: 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 27, 28(ii), 30, 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii)
- GNR 985: 4, 12, 14, 15, 18, 23
- GA / WUL (soos van toepassing): Artikel 21 (c) en (i)
- Artikel 53(1) aansoek kragtens die MPRDA, soos van toepassing

#### REGISTRASIE

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) is deur ENERTRAG as die EAP aangestel om die onderskeie BA-prosesse te bestuur. Partye wat formeel as belanghebbendes wil registreer om hul kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projekte te lewer, word versoek om hul volledige kontakbesonderhede aan die WSP te stuur by die besonderhede hieronder verskaf. Geregistreeerde belanghebbendes sal alle toekomstige korrespondensie aangestuur word en individueel in kennis gestel word van bykomende geleenthede om aan die proses deel te neem.

#### KONSEP BASIESE ASSESSERINGSRAPPORT OORSIGTYDPERK

Die Konsep Basiese Asseseringsverslae sal op aanvraag en/of by die lokale hieronder beskikbaar gestel word vir hersiening en kommentaar vir 30 dae vanaf **11 Mei 2023 tot 12 Junie 2023**.

- Ermelo Streeks Biblioteek: Wedgewood Laan, 2351 Ermelo (082 797 5119)
- Thusiville Openbare Biblioteek: Wesselton Uitbr 2 (082 797 5119)
- WSP-webwerf: <https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents>
- Datavrye webwerf: <https://wsp-engage.com/>

Die kontakbesonderhede van die WSP is





## ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES

### NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 38(3)(b) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act No. 39 of 2004) (NEM: AQA) of an invitation to register comments with regards to an application for an Atmospheric Emissions Licence (AEL)

#### DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising various applications for environmental authorisation, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. The proposed authorisations includes the following Basic Assessment (BA) and Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) processes:

Proponent	Project	Technology	Process	Farm Names
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 210 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 210MW WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 3 of Langverwach Farm No. 293 • Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure	Solar	S&EIR	• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&EIR	• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhmansvallei Farm No. 297
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	S&EIR	• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327 • Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326

#### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Project Name	Listing Notice	Applicable triggers							
		11	12	19	24	27	28		
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28		
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16				
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
400kV Powerline	GNR 983	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 984	9	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
132kV Powerlines	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28			
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
GA / WUL (as applicable)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)							
AEL	GNR 893	Category 7: Inorganic Chemicals Industry Subcategory 7.1: Production and or Use in Manufacturing of Ammonia, Fluorine, Fluorine Compounds, Chlorine, and Hydrogen Cyanide							

#### REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

#### DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Environmental Scoping Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **25 February 2022 to 28 March 2022**.

Area	Venue	Street Address	Contact No
Ermelo	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000
	Ermelo Public Library	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
	Thusville Public Library	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
WSP Website	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
Datafree Website	<a href="https://wsp-engage.com/">https://wsp-engage.com/</a>		

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## IZINQUBO ZOKUGUNYAZWA KWEZEMVELO

**ISAZISO NGENTUTHUKO EHLONGOZWAYO YE-CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, EHLANGANISA IZINQUBO EZAHLUKENE ZEMVELO, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

**Isaziso sinikezwa ngokwemibandela ye:**

- Umthethonqubo 41(2) we-GNR 982 (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) oshicilelwe ngaphansi kwesigaba 24 no-24D soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke (No. 107 ka-1998) (NEMA) (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) ukuze kuthunyelwe izicelo ezihlukahlukene zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo (EAs) mayelana nemisebenzi ehlonzwe ngokwe-GNR 983, GNR 984 kanye ne-GNR 985 (njengoba ichitshiyelwe)
- Isigaba sama-39 noma sama-41(4) soMthetho Wamanzi Kazwelonke (36 ka-1998) (NWA), ukuze kuthunyelwe isicelo sokuGunyazwa Okujwayelekile (GA) noma seLayisense Yokusebenzisa Amanzi (WUL) (njengoba sikhona)
- Isigaba sama-38(3)(b) soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke: UMthetho Wekhwalihi Yomoya, 2004 (uMthetho No. 39 ka-2004) (NEM: AQA) wesimemo sokubhalisa imibono mayelana nesicelo Selayisensi Yokungcoliswa Komoya (i-AEL)

### INCAZELO NENDAWO

I-ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), ihlongoza ukusungula inxanxathela yamandla avuselelekayo, ehlanganisa izicelo ezihlukahlukene zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo, eduze kwase-Ermelo eMpumalanga. Izigunyazo ezihlongozwayo zihlanganisa lezi zinqubo ezilandelayo Zokuhlola Okuyisisekelo (BA) kanye noMbiko ngokucwaningwa ngokwezemvelo (S&EIR):

Umfakisicelo	iProjekthi	Yobuchwepheshe	Inqubo	Amagama Epulazi
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442</li> <li>• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322</li> <li>• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li> <li>• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290</li> <li>• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296</li> <li>• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297</li> <li>• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327</li> <li>• Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326</li> </ul>
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngelanga (WEF) esikhqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 100, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Ilanga	S&EIR	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne-ammonia	S&EIR	
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwinqubo elingu 400kV, kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-Common Collector kanye ne-Main Transmission Substation, nokunye)	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR	

### IZICELO ZEMVELO

Uhlu lwezikhombo ezithintekayo ngalama-Projekthi zivezwe kwi tafula elilandelayo ngezansi. Uma ufisa ukuthola ikhophi epehelele yale misebenzi esohlwini, sicela uthinte I-Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), imininingwane enikezwe ngezansi.

Igama leprojekthi	Isaziso Sohlu	Izibangeli ezisebenzayo							
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28		
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16				
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
400kV Ulayini wamandla	GNR 983	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 984	9	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
132kV Izintambo zikagesi	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28			
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
GA / WUL (njengoba kufanele)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)							
AEL	GNR 893	Isigaba sesi-7: Isigaba Somkhakha Wamakhemikhali Angaphili 7.1: Ukukhiqizwa kanye noma Ukusetshenziswa Ekukhiqizeni I-Amonia, I-Fluorine, Inhlanganisela Ye-Fluorine, I-Chlorine, ne-Hydrogen Cyanide							

### UKUBHALISA

I-WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) iqokwe njenge-EAP yi-ENERTRAG, ukuphatha izinqubo ze-BA kanye ne-S&EIR ezifanele. Abantu abafisa ukubhalisa ngokusemthethweni njengababambe iqhaza ukuze babeke imibono yabo mayelana Nemiklamo Ehlongozwayo bayacelwa ukuba bathumele imininingwane yabo egcwele ku-EAP kule mininingwane enikezwe ngezansi. Ababambiqhaza ababhalisiwe bazothunyelwa zonke izincwadi zesikhathi esizayo futhi baziswe ngamunye ngamunye amathuba okubamba iqhaza kulolu hlobo.

### ISIKHATHI SOKUBUYEKEZWA KWESIKOPI ESALUNGILE

Imibiko Esalungiswa Yokuhlelwa Kwendawo izotholakala kwa-WSP ngesicelo kanye/noma ezindaweni ezingezansi ukuze ibuyekezwe futhi kuphawulwe ngayo izinsuku ezingamashumi amathathu (30 days) kusukela **25 February 2022 kuya ku-28 March 2022**.

Indawo	Ikheli	Ucingo:	
Ermelo	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000
	Ermelo Public Library (umtapowolwazi e-Ermelo)	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
	Thusiville Public Library (umtapowolwazi e-Thusiville)	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
WSP Website	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
Datafree Website	<a href="https://wsp-engage.com/">https://wsp-engage.com/</a>		

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## OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE

### KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIEKOMPLEKS, WAT SAL BESTAAN UIT VERSKEIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Kennis word gegee in terme van:

- **Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer in terme van artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke vir omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) ten opsigte van aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983, GNR 984 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)**
- **Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing)**
- **Artikel 38(3)(b) van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur: Luggehalte, 2004 (Wet No. 39 van 2004) (NEM: AQA) om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer met betrekking tot 'n aansoek vir 'n Atmosferiese Emissielisensie (AEL)**

#### BESKRYWING EN LIGGING

ENERTRAG Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (ENERTRAG), stel voor om 'n hernubare energiekompleks, bestaande uit verskeie aansoeke om omgewingsmagtiging, naby Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die volgende Basiese Evaluering (BE) en Bestekopname en Omgewingsimpakverslagdoening (S&OIR) prosesse in:

Proponent	Projek	Tegnologie	Proses	Plaasname
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW Windenergiefasiliteit (WEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gedeelte 0, 1 en 3 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 442</li> <li>• Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322</li> <li>• Gedeelte 2 en 10 van Uitkomst Plaas No. 292</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 van Langverwach Plaas No. 293</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No. 295</li> <li>• Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290</li> <li>• Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople Plaas No. 296</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3, 4 en 5 van Buhmansvallei Plaas No. 297</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 en 6 van De Emigrate Plaas No. 327</li> <li>• Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326</li> </ul>
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglynn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissie lyn en substasie	BE	
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW WEF insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglynn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissie lyn en substasie	BE	
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR	
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglynn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissie lyn en substasie	BE	
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Waterstof- en Ammoniaakaanleg en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&OIR	
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 400kV-kraglynn, gemeenskaplike versamelaar en hooftransmissiesubstasie insluitend geassosieerde infrastruktuur	Transmissie lyn en substasie	S&OIR	

#### OMGEWINGSTOEPASSINGS

Die verwagte gelyste aktiwiteitsnommers wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder weerspieël. Indien u die volledige bewoording van hierdie aktiwiteite op die lys wil bekom, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsevalueringpraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

Projek Naam	Noteringskennisgewing	Toepaslike snellers									
		11	12	19	24	27	28				
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28				
	GNR 984	1	15								
	GNR 985	4	12	14							
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28	
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16						
	GNR 985	4	12	14							
400kV Kraglynn	GNR 983	12	19	27	28						
	GNR 984	9	15								
	GNR 985	4	12	14							
132kV Kragdrade	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28					
	GNR 985	4	12	14							
GA / WUL (soos van toepassing)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) en 21 (g)									
AEL	GNR 893	Kategorie 7: Anorganiese chemikalieë-industrie Subkategorie 7.1: Produksie en of gebruik in die vervaardiging van ammoniak, fluor, fluorverbindinge, chloor en waterstofsianied									

#### REGISTRASIE

WSP Group Africa (Edms) Bpk (WSP) is deur ENERTRAG as die OEP aangestel om die onderskeie BA- en S&OIV-prosesse te behartig. Partye wat formeel as belanghebbendes wil registreer om hul kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projekte te lewer, word versoek om hul volledige kontakbesonderhede aan die OEP te stuur by die besonderhede hieronder verskaf. Geregistreerde belanghebbendes sal alle toekomstige korrespondensie aangestuur word en individueel in kennis gestel word van bykomende geleenthede om aan die proses deel te neem.

#### KONSEP OMFANGVERSLAG OORSIGTYDPERK

Die Konsep Omgewingsbestekverslae sal vir hersiening en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word op versoek vanaf WSP en by die lokale hieronder, vir 30 dae vanaf 25 Februarie 2022 tot 28 Maart 2022.

Gebied	Lokaal	Straat Adres	Kontak No
Ermelo	Gert Sibande Distriksmunisipaliteit	Hoek van Joubert & Oosthuise Strate	017 801 7000
	Ermelo Publieke biblioteek	Hoek van Tauta St &, Kerk Strate	017 801 3500
	Thusiville Publieke biblioteek	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
	Msukaligwa Plaaslike Munisipaliteit Ermelo Kantoor	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Straat	017 801 3500
WSP Webwerf	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
Datavry Webwerf	<a href="https://wsp-engage.com/">https://wsp-engage.com/</a>		

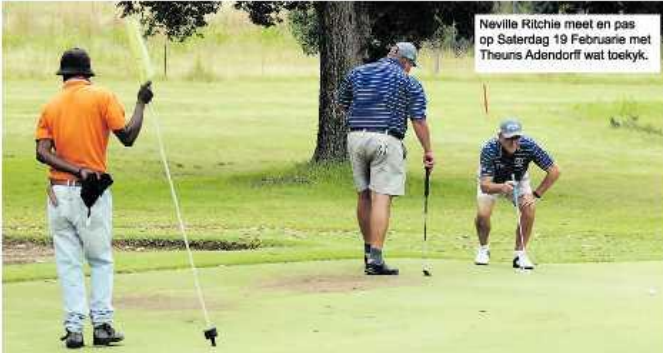
Die kontakbesonderhede van die OEP is:

**Naam:** Babalwa Mqokeli **Tel:** 031 240 8804 **Fax:** 011 361 1381 **E-pos:** babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com

**Adres:** Posbus 98867, Sloane Park, 2152







Neville Ritchie meet en pas op Saterdag 19 Februarie met Thouns Adendorff wat toeekyk.

# Delmas klop Standerton

Standerton se mansspelers het op Saterdag 19 Februarie die knie teen Delmas gebuig. Hulle het by die Standerton Buiteklub meegeding en die besoekers het 5-3 aangeteken. Ghoifspelers het hul nie deur die vroegoggend reën bui laat afsit nie.

# 68 hengelaars vang meer as 'n duisend vis

Meyerville Hengelklub het onlangs 'n naweekkompetisie aangebied waar die vis van die dag aan die swaarste sak modderbek geaun het. Aftsaam 68 hengelaars, waarvan ses besoekers, het 1 026 vis, 'n gewig van 629.98kg, vasgekap. Danie Human was oorerwonne in die meestersafdeling met 46 vis van 24.260kg, gevolg deur Koos van Rensburg met 18 vis van 40.240kg en Dougie Douglas met 28 vis van 25.020kg. Human het die vis van die dag gevang. Graham Douglas het in die seniorgafdeling geseëvier met 54 vis van 45.760kg, gevolg deur Shawn Munro met 65 vis van 31.540kg en Peter Munro met 45 vis van 23.720kg. Munro het die vis van die dag ingewee. Elaine Munro het eerste in die vroue-afdeling geëndig met 33 vis van 33.240kg, Letitia van der Meer was tweede met 24 vis van 11.100kg en Zandile Radebo derde met 19 vis van 13.160kg. Van der Meer het die vis van die dag inkatrol. Ruan van Zyl het die juniorgafdeling gewen met 21 vis van 9.920kg, gevolg deur Germanie Pretorius met 18 vis van 8.200kg en JT Pretorius met ses vis van 5.340kg. Pretorius het die vis van die dag gevang. Ty Mortlock was eerste in die penkopafdeling met 10 vis van 2.600kg, gevolg deur Wianco Lottering met sewe vis van 5.380kg en Ricardo van Wyngard met 10 vis van 2.360kg. Lottering het die vis van die dag vasgekap.



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### ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Notice is given in terms of: Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No.107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EA) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983,GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended); Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL)Application (as applicable); Section 38(3)(b) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act,2004 (Act No.39 of 2004) (NEM:QA) of an invitation to register comments with regards to an application for an Atmospheric Emissions Licence (AEL)

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising various applications for environmental authorisation, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. The proposed authorisations includes the following Basic Assessment (BA) and Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (SAEIR) processes:

Table with 5 columns: Proponent, Project, Technology, Process, Farm Names. Rows include Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden Green Energy (Pty) Ltd, and ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd.

### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Table with 3 columns: Proponent, Listing Notice, Applicable Triggers. Rows include Camden I WEF and SEP, Green Hydrogen and Ammonia, 400kV Powerline, 132kV Powerline, and AEL.

REGISTRATION WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and SAER processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD The Draft Environmental Scoping Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from 25 February 2022 to 28 March 2022.

Table with 4 columns: Proponent, Venue, Street Address, Contact Number. Rows include Ermelo, Tlokweng, and WSP Website.

The contact details of the EAP are: Name: Babalwa Mookelwa; Tel: 031 240 6804; Email: babalwa.mookelwa@wsp.com; Address: PO Box 98867, Sioane Park, 2152



### IZINGUBO ZOKUGUNYAZWA KWEEZMVELO

ISAZISO NGENTUTHUKO EHLONGOZWAYO YE-CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, EHLANGANISA IZINGUBO EZAHLUKENE ZEMVELO, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Isaziso sikhazwa ngokwemibandela ye: Umlithetho 41(2) we-GNR 982 njengobusichithayelo (NEMA) (njengoba uchithayelo) ukuze kuthiywe izaliso ezihlukahlukane zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo (EA) mayelana nenambaneni alonhwe ngokwe-GNR 983, GNR 984 kanye ne-GNR 985 (njengoba ichithayelo); Umlithetho 39 okanye 41(4) we-NWA (njengoba ichithayelo) ukuya kuzooyazwa Okuyiseleleko (GA) noma Selayisane Yokusebenza Amanzi (WUL) (njengoba alihona); Umlithetho 38(3)(b) we-NEM:QA (njengoba ukhulisa) ukuba kuthiywe izaliso ezihlukahlukane zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo, eduze kwi-Ermelo eMpumalanga. Isigunyazo ezihlongozwayo zihlanganisa izi-izingubo ezilandelayo: Zokuhlola Okuyiseleleko (BA) kanye nokholo ngokwawangwa ngokwemvelo (SAEIR).

INCAZELO NENDAWO I-ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), ihlongoza ukusungula inkamathelo yamandla avuselelekayo, ehlanganisa izaliso ezihlukahlukane zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo, eduze kwi-Ermelo eMpumalanga. Isigunyazo ezihlongozwayo zihlanganisa izi-izingubo ezilandelayo: Zokuhlola Okuyiseleleko (BA) kanye nokholo ngokwawangwa ngokwemvelo (SAEIR).

Table with 4 columns: Umthetho/Projekthi, Yokuzeqhephe, Inbobo, Amagama Epulazi. Rows include Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden Green Energy (Pty) Ltd, and ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd.

### IZICELO ZEMVELO

Uluhlu lwezi-izingubo ezithethayo ngalima-Projekthi ziveze kuti tafusa elilandelayo ngezansi. Uma ufisa ukuthola ikhophi ephelile yale mibandeni esichithi, siqela uqhina i-Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), imininingwane enikazwe ngezansi.

Table with 3 columns: Iingama Iqheke/Projekthi, Isaziso Sebhulu, Iibhangeleli Ezisebenzayo. Rows include Camden I WEF and SEP, Green Hydrogen and Ammonia, 400kV Ukuhlolwa Wamandla, 132kV Iimbandi Ziqokelelo, and AEL.

UKUBHALISA I-WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) ipokele njenge-EAP yi-ENERTRAG, ukuphatha izingubo ze-BA kanye ne-SAER ezifanayo. Abantu abafisa ukubhalisa ngokusemthethweni njengabambene iqhaza ukuze babekho yabo mayelana Namkomo Ehlongozwayo bayacelele ukuze bahambane imininigwane yabo ngokwe-ku-EAP kule mininingwane enikazwe ngezansi. Abantabhalisa abobabhalise bazokuntywala zonke izindawo zokuthethayelo luthi bazizwe ngaminye ngaminye amathuba okubamba iqhaza kukho hlelo.

ISIKHATHI SOKUBUYEKIZWA KWESIKHOPI ESALINGILE Imibiko Esalungile Yokuhlola Kwendawo Izothakalisa kwi-WSP ngezaliso kanyahona ezindaweni ezizangezansi ukuze kubuyekizwe luthi kuzihlaziwe ngayo izisuku ezizangamshumi amathathu (30 days) kusukela 25 February 2022 kuya ku-28 March 2022.

Table with 4 columns: Indawo, Venue, Ikhetho, Ucingo. Rows include Ermelo, Tlokweng, and WSP Website.

Imininigwane yokuthumama ye-EAP ithi: Igama: Babalwa Mookelwa; Ucingo: 031 240 6804; Ifakeli: 011 361 1361; I-imeyili: babalwa.mookelwa@wsp.com; Ikhetho: PO Box 98867, Sioane Park, 2152





# Luyanda Mabuza takes the honours at parkrun

Luyanda Mabuza took the honours during the weekly Kraalburgh parkrun on Saturday February 19.

It was a very good turnout despite the poor weather, which is a testament to the popularity of these parkruns.

Stacy-two athletes in total participated.

Mabuza, who is a regular at this event and holds the current track record of 18:06, finished a bit off his best pace in a time of 21:23.

Adam Thacker, runner for Varsity Kudu's AC Club, finished second with a time of 23:34.

It was Tiaan Bezuidenhout's first parkrun at Kraalburgh and his 20th overall, and he finished third with a personal best of 28:49.

As for the faster sex, Francesca Parrini of the Pirates Road Running Club took first place in 30:31.

Hot on her heels were Brendo Steyn in second with a time of 35:19.

In third place was Veronica da Teft who crossed the finish line in 36:49.

A total of 12 newcomers participated at Kraalburgh. Four of them did their very first parkrun.

Eight runners overall impressed on their personal bests. This week's parkrun was made possible by volunteers Theodora Boschhoff, Alida de Jager, Joseph de Jager, Engelsa Henning, Lajosh Mabuza, Zelda Strydom and Michelle van der Westhuizen.



Luyanda Mabuza. (Photo: Wayne van der Walt)



Henning Romijn in aksie. (Foto: Venkaf)

# Henning Romijn gekies vir SA Skoletennisnoeni

Henning Romijn van Laerskool J.J. van der Merwe is ontelings vir die 2022 SA Skoletennisnoeni gekies.

Die kampioenskap sal vanaf 18 tot 22 Maart in Bloemfontein plaasvind.

Hy het op 21 tot 23 Januarie aan die Mpumalanga-wedstryde in Middelburg deelgeneem en al sy wedstryde gewen.

Henning staan tans in die eerste plek op die ranglys vir seuns o. 13 in Mpumalanga.

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- Funksioneel outomaties en kan konstante werksituasie hanteer.
- Betreksaamheid in alreue krities (Prest., Rend., Eers).
- Oorlog en tot 'n Camp in 'n aanpak vir die ges. Tere tot die jare oervinding in 'n verskeie omgewing sal tot 'n worded sterk.
- Die kandidaat moet Afrikaans en Engels vloeiend magtig wees.
- Terklike en vertroude in hierdie posisie is 'n anderbede-bar nie.

Belastingelinge word vriedelik versiek om h/ta 'n e-pos na [bernanifloos@joubert.co.za](mailto:bernanifloos@joubert.co.za), of te bloo no (071) 811-2881, of in te kandy by om kanteur te beseitstraat 38, Ermelo, 2351.

SLUITINGSDATUM: 04 MARET 2022

Indien 'n leere twee weke na die sluitingsdatum mag geen terugvoer ontvang het sie, van 'n aansoek ontseker. Geen verdere korrespondensie in verband hiermee sal gegee word nie.

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### OMGEWINGSAGTINGSPROSESSE

KENNIGWING VAN DIE VOORSTELLE ONTWIKKELING VAN DIE CAMDEN HERWUBARE ENERSKEMPLEKS, WAT SAL BESTAAN UIT VERKEER OMGEWINGSAGTINGSPROSESSE, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Kernde woord gegee in terme van:

- Regulasie 4(1) van OAR 902 (2000 gewysig) gepubliseer in terme van artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbesker (No. 107 van 1989) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) tot die indeling van verskeie omgewings agtingsoesing (G) 'n ten opsigte van outomatiese getelingsheer (gegewige OAR 902, OAR 904 en OAR 905 (soos gewysig))
- Artikel 38 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Wetwet (26 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indeling van 'n Algemene Wugling (SA) of Watergebruiksreue (WU) (soos gewysig)
- Artikel 36(2)(b) van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbesker: Luggehalte, 2004 (Wet No. 38 van 2004) (NEM-AGA) om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer met betrekking tot 'n aansoek vir 'n Atmosferiese Emissieslisensie (AEL)

**BESKRYFING EN LEIGINGS**

EMERTRAG, Suid-Afrika (Suid) Bpk (EMSP) het 'n reeks van 12 herwubare omgewingskomplekse, bestaande uit verskeie aanvaarde omgewingsagtingsoesing, nabes Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. Die voorgeselde projek is 'n deel van die Distrik Doelwit 02 in Beskerming en Omgewingsagtingsoesing (S&OR) prosesse in:

Projek Naam	Projek	Tegnologie	Proses	Plasering
Camden 1 Wind WEP (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW Windenergieprojek (WEP) insluitend herwubare infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OR	• Gedeelte 0, 1 en 2 van Klipfontein Phase No. 442 • Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Walegong Phase No. 322
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substatie en versnate infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substatie	SA	• Gedeelte 2 van Klipfontein Phase No. 292
Camden 8 Wind WEP (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW WEP insluitend herwubare infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OR	• Gedeelte 1 van Langenswaal Phase No. 293 • Gedeelte 3 van Klipfontein Phase No. 295
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substatie en versnate infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substatie	SA	• Gedeelte 14 van Klipfontein Phase No. 290
Camden 3 Water WEP (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 1300MW waterkragprojek (WEP) insluitend herwubare infrastruktuur	Solar	S&OR	• Gedeelte 0, 1 en 2 van Andriepark Phase No. 296 • Gedeelte 3, 4 en 5 van Andriepark Phase No. 297
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substatie en versnate infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substatie	SA	• Gedeelte 1 van die Klipfontein Phase No. 327 • Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Phase No. 328
Camden Green Energy WEP (Pty) Ltd	Waterstof- of Ammoniaktoelewing en gepasde infrastruktuur	Green hydrogen and ammonia	S&OR	
EMERTRAG SOUTH AFRICA (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 400kV-kraglyn, gereeldekapite versamelers en hoogspanningssubstatie insluitend gepasde infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substatie	S&OR	

**OMGEWINGTOEPASSINGS**

Die verskeie getelingsheer outomatiese wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder aangegee. Indien u die volledige oewerwing van hierdie tabelleke tot 'n tyd wil hê, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsagtingsoesing (O&O) sekerheidsheer.

Projek Naam	Moteringsoesing	Topografiese profiel
Camden 1 WEP and GEP and Camden 8 WEP	OAR 902	11 12 13 24 27 28
	OAR 904	1 15
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	OAR 902	4 8 12 14
	OAR 904	4 8 12 14
400kV Kraglyn	OAR 902	4 12 14
	OAR 904	2 15 27 28
132kV Kraglyn	OAR 902	4 12 14
	OAR 904	4 12 14
GA / WU (soos nie bevestig)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (e) and 21 (g)
AEL	OAR 902	Kategorie 7: Andersele chemiese/industrialie Subkategorie 7.1: Pradiseke en of getelingsheer in die verwerking van ammoniak, suur, Rasverbindings, chlor en waterstofsulfid

**WEDSTRAAF**

WSP Group Africa (Suid) Bpk (WSP) is deur EMERTRAG as die O&O aangestel om die outomatiese SA- en S&OR-prosesse te behartig. Parteie wat formeel as belanghebbende wil registreer om hul kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projekte te lewer, word versoek om hul volledige kontakbesonderhede aan die O&O te stuur vir die besonderhede hieronder verstaan. Gegeselde belanghebbende sal alle toekomstige korrespondensie en getelingsheer word in individueel in 'n e-pos gestuur word van bykomende getelingsheer om aan die proses deel te neem.

**KOMPLEKSE OMFANGVERSLAG DOORSIETPERK**

Die Komplex Omgewingsbesker verslae sal vir hanteling en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word op versoek vanaf WSP en by die lokale Nesenno: vir 30 dae vanaf 28 Februarie 2022 tot 28 Maart 2022.

Getelingsheer	Lokasie	Street Adres	Kontak No.
Erniele	Geert Sibaunde Distrikmunisipaliteit	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 1900
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## APPENDIX

# ***B-2*** *SITE NOTICES*

## **ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES/ OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE**

### **NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE TWO ELECTRICAL GRID CONNECTIONS RELATED TO THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA/ KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN TWEE NETVERBINDINGS VIR DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIEKOMPLEKS NABY, BESTAAT VERSKEIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

Notice is given in terms of/ Kennis word gegee in terme van:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983 and GNR 985 (as amended)/ Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer kragtens artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke om omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) in respek vir aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)/Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing);
- Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development/• Artikel 53(1) aansoek kragtens die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleumhulpbronne (MPRDA) vir grondgebruik strydig met die doelwitte van die Wet, met betrekking tot die ontwikkeling van elektriese netwerkinfrastruktuur

#### **DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION/ BESKRYWING EN LIGGING**

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst others the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the complex two up to 132kV overhead powerlines and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations include the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility, and the up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility located, both applications located on Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322. The proposed authorisations include the following Basic Assessment (BA) processes (listed below).

ENERTRAG Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (ENERTRAG), stel voor om 'n hernubare energiekompleks, bestaande onder andere uit die Camden I Windenergie- en Sonenergiefasiliteite, naby Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. As deel van die projek word twee tot en met 132kV oorhoofse kraglyne en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur benodig. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die Basiese Assessering (BA)-prosesse in vir die tot en met 132kV-kraglyn, substasie en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Windenergiefasiliteit, sowel as die tot en met 132kV-kraglyn, substasie en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Sonenergiefasiliteit, beide aansoeke geleë op Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No 322. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die volgende Basiese Evaluering (BE) proses in:

Proponent	Project/ Projek	Technology/ Tegnologie	Process/ Proses	Farm Name/ Plaasname
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure/ tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322/ Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure/ tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS/ OMGEWINGSTOEPASSINGS**

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Die verwagte gelyste aktiwiteitsnommers wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder weerspieël. Indien u die volledige bewoording van hierdie aktiwiteite op die lys wil bekom, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsevalueringpraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

Regulations/ Regulasies	Listing Notice/ Noteringskennisgewing	Applicable triggers/ Toepaslike snellers									
Camden I WEF and SEF132kV Powerlines and associated infrastructure / Kragdrade en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28	30	48	56	-
	GNR 985	4	12	14	15	18	23				
GA / WUL (as applicable/ soos van toepassing)	Section 21	21 (c) and/en 21 (i)									
MPRDA	Section 53	Surface use in terms of Section 53 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (no. 28 of 2002)									

#### **REGISTRATION/ REGISTRASIE**

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to conduct the respective BA process. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

WSP Group Africa (Edms) Bpk (WSP) is deur ENERTRAG as die OEP aangestel om die onderskeie BA -prosesse te behartig. Partye wat formeel as belanghebbendes wil registreer om hul kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projekte te lewer, word versoek om hul volledige kontakbesonderhede aan die OEP te stuur by die besonderhede hieronder verskaf. Geregistreerde belanghebbendes sal alle toekomstige korrespondensie aangestuur word en individueel in kennis gestel word van bykomende geleenthede om aan die proses deel te neem.

#### **DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REVIEW PERIOD/ KONSEP BASIESE EVALUERINGS OORSIGTYDPERK**

The Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023**

Die Konsep Basiese Evaluering verslae sal vir hersiening en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word op versoek vanaf WSP en by die lokale hieronder, vir 30 dae vanaf **11 Mei tot 12 Junie 2023**.

Area/ Gebied	Venue/ Lokaal	Street Address/ Straat Adres	Contact No./ Kontak No.
Ermelo	Ermelo Regional Library/Ermelo Streeks biblioteek	Wedgewood Avenue 2351 Ermelo/ Wedgewood Laan, Ermelo, 2351	017 801 3500
	Thusiville Public Library	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
WSP Website/ WSP Webwerf	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
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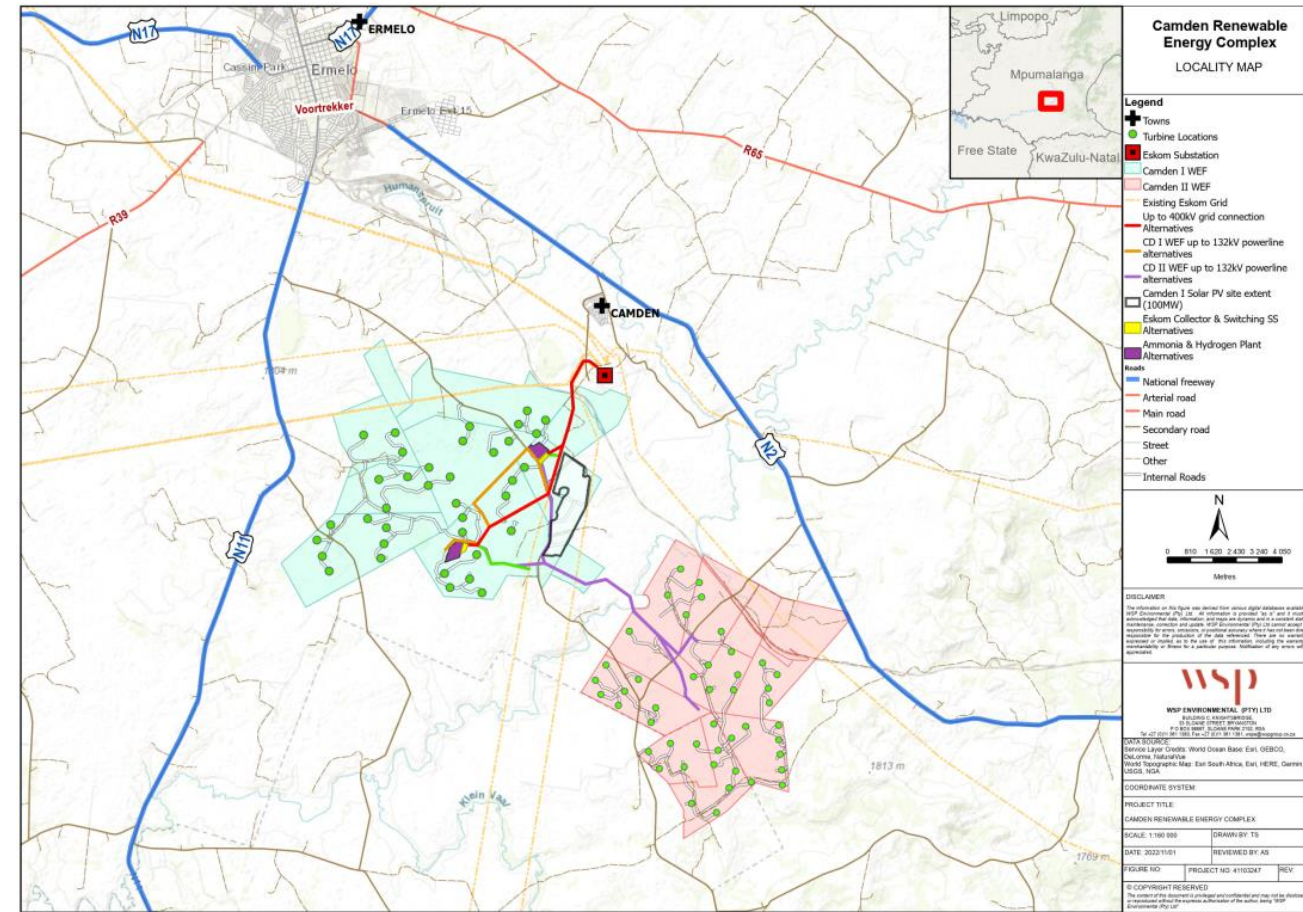
The contact details of the EAP are/ Die kontakbesonderhede van die OEP is:

**Name/Naam:** Jashmika Maharaj    **Tel:** 011 552    **Fax:** 011 361 1381    **E-mail/E-pos:** jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com    **Address/Adres:** PO Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

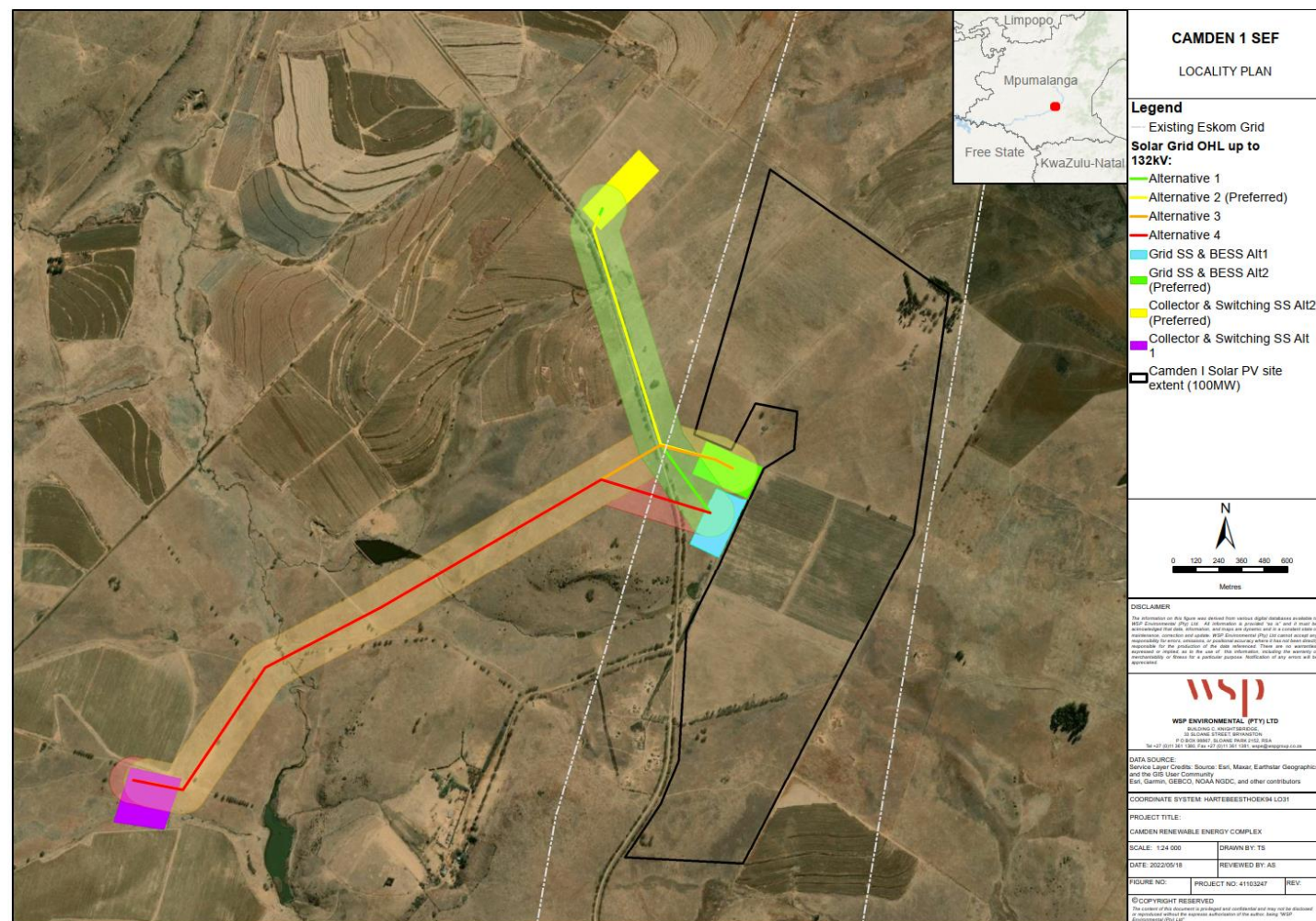
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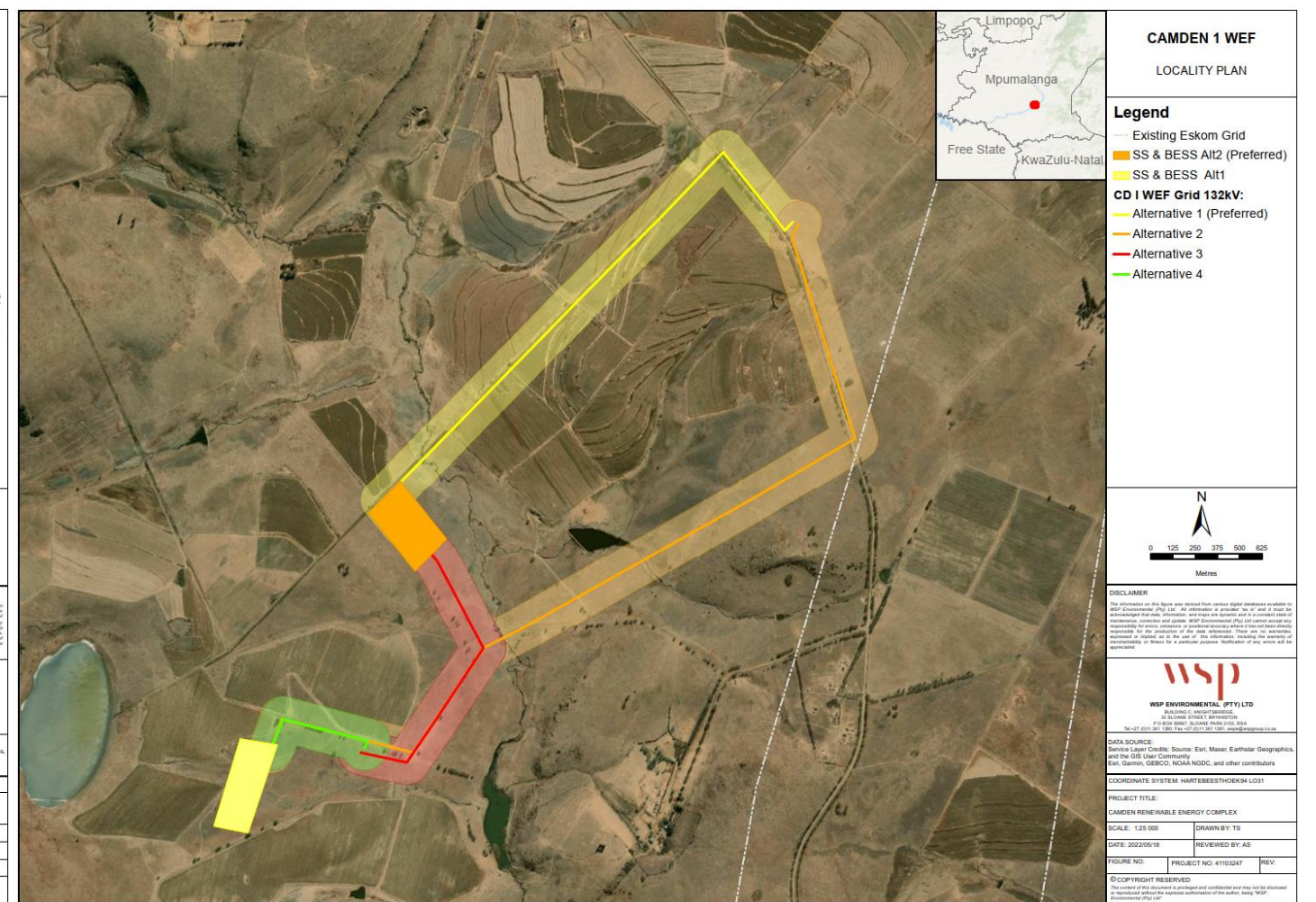




**Figure1/ Figuur 1: Camden renewable Energy Complex**



**Figure2/ Figuur 2: Camden I SEF**



**Figure 3/ Figuur 3: Cameden I WEF**



## ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES

### NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 38(3)(b) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act No. 39 of 2004) (NEM: AQA) of an invitation to register comments with regards to an application for an Atmospheric Emissions Licence (AEL)

#### DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising various applications for environmental authorisation, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. The proposed authorisations includes the following Basic Assessment (BA) and Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) processes:

Proponent	Project	Technology	Process	Farm Names
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 210 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442</li> <li>• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322</li> </ul>
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 210MW WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293</li> </ul>
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure	Solar	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li> <li>• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290</li> </ul>
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296</li> <li>• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhmansvallei Farm No. 297</li> <li>• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327</li> <li>• Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326</li> </ul>
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	S&EIR	

#### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Project Name	Listing Notice	Applicable triggers							
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28		
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16				
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
400kV Powerline	GNR 983	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 984	9	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
132kV Powerlines	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28			
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
GA / WUL (as applicable)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)							
AEL	GNR 893	Category 7: Inorganic Chemicals Industry Subcategory 7.1: Production and or Use in Manufacturing of Ammonia, Fluorine, Fluorine Compounds, Chlorine, and Hydrogen Cyanide							

#### REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

#### DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Environmental Scoping Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **25 February 2022 to 28 March 2022**.

Area	Venue	Street Address	Contact No
Ermelo	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000
	Ermelo Public Library	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
	Thusiville Public Library	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
WSP Website	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
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The contact details of the EAP are:

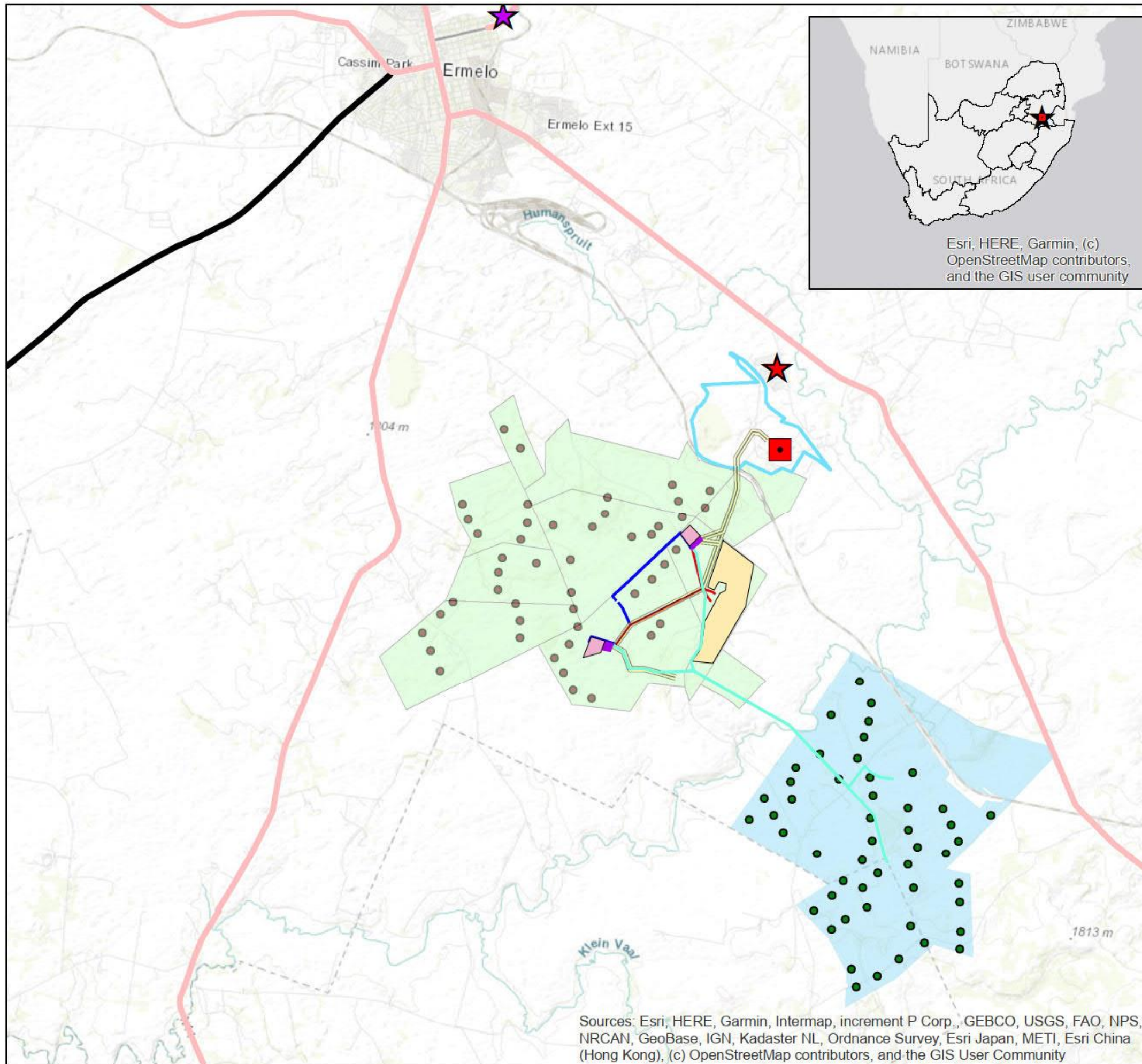
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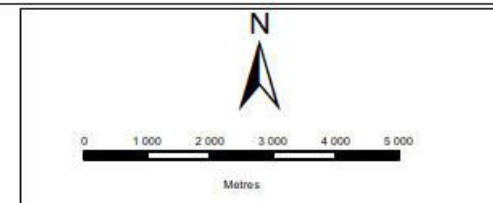




### CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER

**Legend**

- Camden I WEF
- Camden II WEF
- Camden I Solar PV
- Ammonia & Hydrogen Plant Alternatives
- Eskom Camden Power Station
- Collector & Switching SS Alternatives
- CD I WEF 132kV Powerline Alternatives
- CD II WEF 132kV Powerline Alternatives
- Solar Grid up to 132kV Alternatives
- Up to 400kV Grid Connection Alternatives
- National Roads
- Arterial Roads
- Turbine Positions (Camden I)
- Turbine Positions (Camden II)
- Eskom Substation
- Ermelo
- Camden



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Figure 1: Camden Renewable Energy Cluster showing the respective projects comprised thereof.



## IZINQUBO ZOKUGUNYAZWA KWEZEMVELO

### ISAZISO NGENTUTHUKO EHLONGOZWAYO YE-CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, EHLANGANISA IZINQUBO EZAHLUKENE ZEMVELO, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Isaziso sinikezwa ngokwemibandela ye:

- Umthethonqubo 41(2) we-GNR 982 (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) oshicilelwe ngaphansi kwesigaba 24 no-24D soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke (No. 107 ka-1998) (NEMA) (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) ukuze kuthunyelwe izicelo ezihlukahlukene zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo (EAs) mayelana nemisebenzi ehlonzwe ngokwe-GNR 983, GNR 984 kanye ne-GNR 985 (njengoba ichitshiyelwe)
- Isigaba sama-39 noma sama-41(4) soMthetho Wamanzi Kazwelonke (36 ka-1998) (NWA), ukuze kuthunyelwe isicelo sokuGunyazwa Okujwayelekile (GA) noma seLayisense Yokusebenzisa Amanzi (WUL) (njengoba sikhona)
- Isigaba sama-38(3)(b) soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke: UMthetho Wekwalithi Yomoya, 2004 (uMthetho No. 39 ka-2004) (NEM: AQA) wesimemo sokubhalisa imibono mayelana nesicelo Selayisensi Yokungcoliswa Komoya (i-AEL)

#### INCAZELO NENDAWO

I-ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), ihlongoza ukusungula inxanxathela yamandla avuselelekayo, ehlanganisa izicelo ezihlukahlukene zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo, eduze kwase-Ermelo eMpumalanga. Izigunyazo ezihlongozwayo zihlanganisa lezi zinqubo ezilandelayo Zokuhlola Okuyisisekelo (BA) kanye noMbiko ngokucwaningwa ngokwezemvelo (S&EIR):

Umfakisicelo	iProjekthi	Yobuchwepheshe	Inqubo	Amagama Epulazi
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442</li> <li>• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322</li> <li>• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Langverwach Farm No. 293</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li> <li>• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290</li> <li>• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296</li> <li>• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297</li> <li>• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327</li> <li>• Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326</li> </ul>
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngelanga (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 100, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Ilanga	S&EIR	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne-ammonia	S&EIR	
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwinani elingu 400kV, kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-Common Collector kanye ne-Main Transmission Substation, nokunye)	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR	

#### IZICELO ZEMVELO

Uhlu lwezikhombo ezithintekayo ngalama-Projekthi zivezwe kwi tafula elilandelayo ngezansi. Uma ufisa ukuthola ikhophi ephelele yale misebenzi esohlwini, sicela uthinte I-Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), imininingwane enikezwe ngezansi.

Igama leprojekthi	Isaziso Sohlu	Izibangeli ezisebenzayo							
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28		
	GNR 984	1	15						
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Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27
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400kV Ulayini wamandla	GNR 983	12	19	27	28				
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132kV Izintambo zikagesi	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28			
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GA / WUL (njengoba kufanele)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)							
AEL	GNR 893	Isigaba sesi-7: Isigaba Somkhakha Wamakhemikhali Angaphili 7.1: Ukukhiqizwa kanye noma Ukusetshenziswa Ekukhiqizeni I-Amonia, I-Fluorine, Inhlanganisela Ye-Fluorine, I-Chlorine, ne-Hydrogen Cyanide							

#### UKUBHALISA

I-WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) iqokwe njenge-EAP yi-ENERTRAG, ukuphatha izinqubo ze-BA kanye ne-S&EIR ezifanele. Abantu abafisa ukubhalisa ngokusemthethweni njengababambe iqhaza ukuze babeke imibono yabo mayelana Nemiklamo Ehlongozwayo bayacelwa ukuba bathumele imininingwane yabo egcwele ku-EAP kule mininingwane enikezwe ngezansi. Ababambiqhaza ababhalisiwe bazothunyelwa zonke izincwadi zesikhathi esizayo futhi baziswe ngamunye ngamanye amathuba okubamba iqhaza kulolu hlelo.

#### ISIKHATHI SOKUBUYEKEZWA KWESIKOPI ESALUNGILE

Imibiko Esalungiswa Yokuhlelwa Kwendawo izotholakala kwa-WSP ngesicelo kanye/noma ezindaweni ezingezansi ukuze ibuyekizwe futhi kuphawulwe ngayo izinsuku ezingamashumi amathathu (30 days) kusukela **25 February 2022 kuya ku-28 March 2022**.

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Ermelo	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuis Streets
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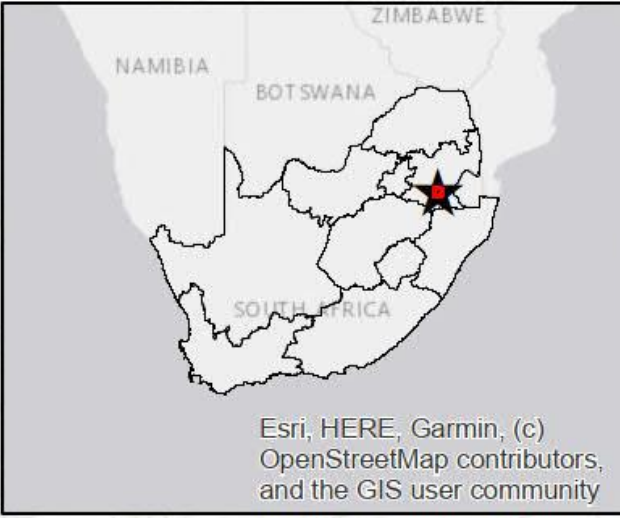
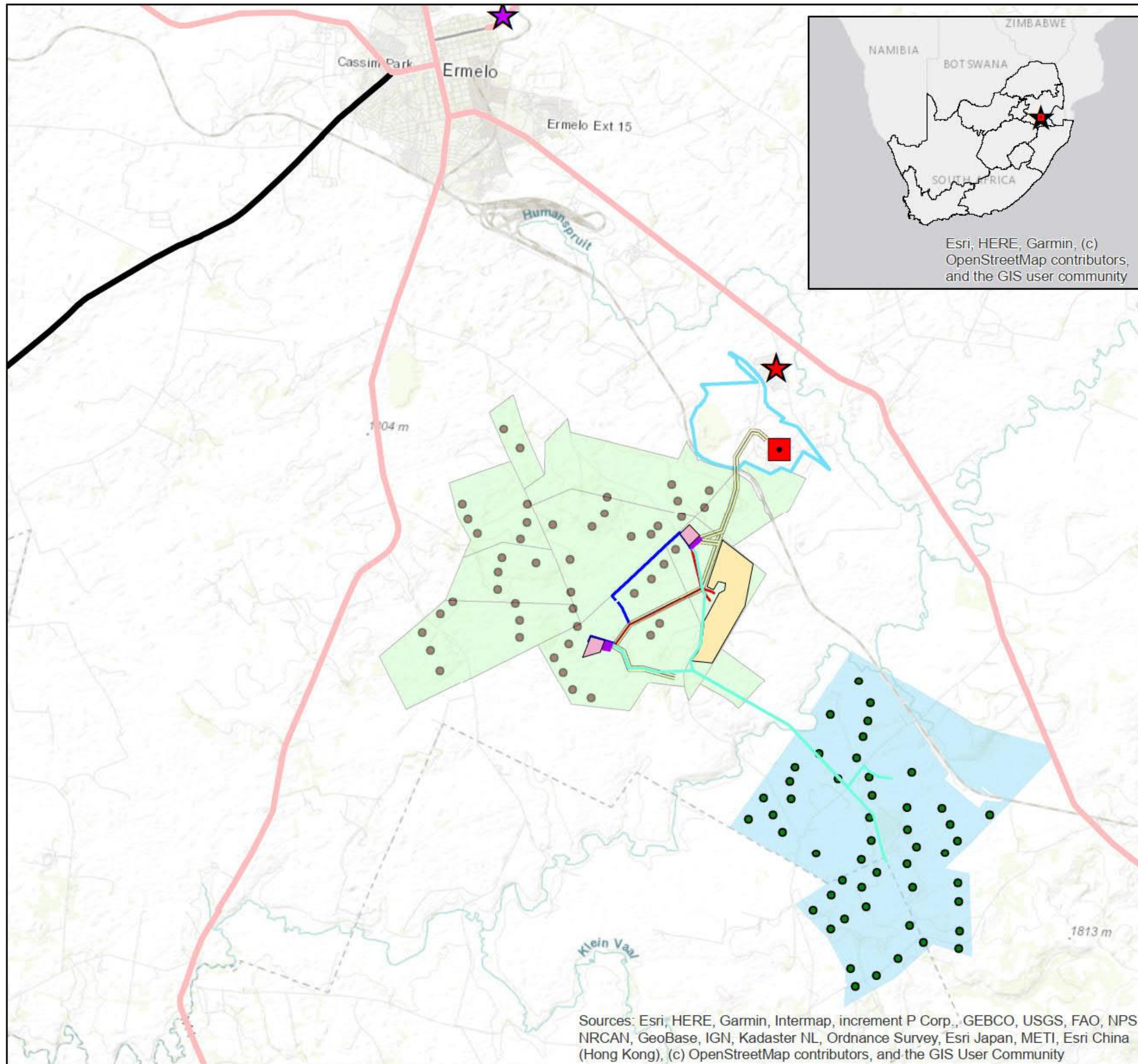
Imininingwane yokuxhumana ye-EAP ithi:

**Igama:** Babalwa Mqokeli **Ucingo:** 031 240 8804 **iFekisi:** 011 361 1381 **i-Imeyili:** babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com **Ikheli:** PO Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

**Ukuvikelwa kweMniningwane yoMuntu Siyu:** I-WSP izocubungula imininingwane ethile ngawe njengomuntu onentshisekelo noma othintekayo (I&AP) ngezinjongo zokukubhalisa njenge I&AP nokugcina imininingwane yakho kusizindalwazi lwethu, uma usivumela ukwenza njalo. I-WSP izosebenzisa le mininingwane ukuze ixhumane nawe mayelana namanye amaphrojekthi abalulekile esikhathini esizayo. I-WSP izohlezi icubungula imininingwane yakho ngokuhambisana noMthetho Wokuvikela Imininingwane YoMuntu Siyu 4 ka 2013. Unelungelo lokusebenzisa amalungelo akho njengomuntu obhalisile ukuba usazise uma ufisa ukukhishwa kwababhalisiwe njenge-I & AP noma usufuna imininingwane yakho yokuxhumana ikhishwe kusizindalwazi sethu.

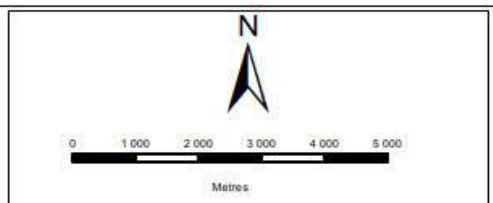






**CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER**

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  - Camden II WEF
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PROJECTION: UTM Zone 35S (WGS1984)

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Isithombe 1: Inxanxathela Yamandla Avuselekayo e-Camden ekhombisa amaPhrojekthi ayo.



## OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE

### KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIEKOMPLEKS, WAT SAL BESTAAN UIT VERSKEIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Kennis word gegee in terme van:

- Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer in terme van artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke vir omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) ten opsigte van aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983, GNR 984 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)
- Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing)
- Artikel 38(3)(b) van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur: Luggehalte, 2004 (Wet No. 39 van 2004) (NEM: AQA) om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer met betrekking tot 'n aansoek vir 'n Atmosferiese Emissielisensie (AEL)

#### BESKRYWING EN LIGGING

ENERTRAG Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (ENERTRAG), stel voor om 'n hernubare energiekompleks, bestaande uit verskeie aansoeke om omgewingsmagtiging, naby Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die volgende Basiese Evaluering (BE) en Bestekopname en Omgewingsimpakverslagdoening (S&OIR) prosesse in:

Proponent	Projek	Tegnologie	Proses	Plaasname
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW Windenergiefasiliteit (WEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gedeelte 0, 1 en 3 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 442</li> <li>• Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322</li> <li>• Gedeelte 2 en 10 van Uitkomst Plaas No. 292</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 van Langverwach Plaas No. 293</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No. 295</li> <li>• Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290</li> <li>• Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople Plaas No. 296</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3,4 en 5 van Buhrmansvallei Plaas No. 297</li> <li>• Gedeelte 3 en 6 van De Emigrate Plaas No. 327</li> <li>• Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326</li> </ul>
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 210 MW WEF insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR	
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Waterstof- en Ammoniakaanleg en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&OIR	
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 400kV-kraglyn, gemeenskaplike versamelaar en hooftransmissiesubstasie insluitend geassosieerde infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	S&OIR	

#### OMGEWINGSTOEPASSINGS

Die verwagte gelyste aktiwiteitsnommers wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder weerspieël. Indien u die volledige bewoording van hierdie aktiwiteite op die lys wil bekom, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsevalueringpraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

Projek Naam	Noteringskennisgewing	Toepaslike snellers							
		11	12	19	24	27	28		
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28		
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16				
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
400kV Kraglyn	GNR 983	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 984	9	15						
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
132kV Kragdrade	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28			
	GNR 985	4	12	14					
GA / WUL (soos van toepassing)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) en 21 (g)							
AEL	GNR 893	Kategorie 7: Anorganiese chemikalieë-industrie Subkategorie 7.1: Produksie en of gebruik in die vervaardiging van ammoniak, fluor, fluorverbinding, chloor en waterstofsianied							

#### REGISTRASIE

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Die Konsep Omgewingsbestekverslae sal vir hersiening en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word op versoek vanaf WSP en by die lokale hieronder, vir 30 dae vanaf **25 Februarie 2022 tot 28 Maart 2022**.

Gebied	Lokaal	Straat Adres	Kontak No
Ermelo	Gert Sibande Distriksmunisipaliteit	Hoek van Joubert & Oosthuise Strate	017 801 7000
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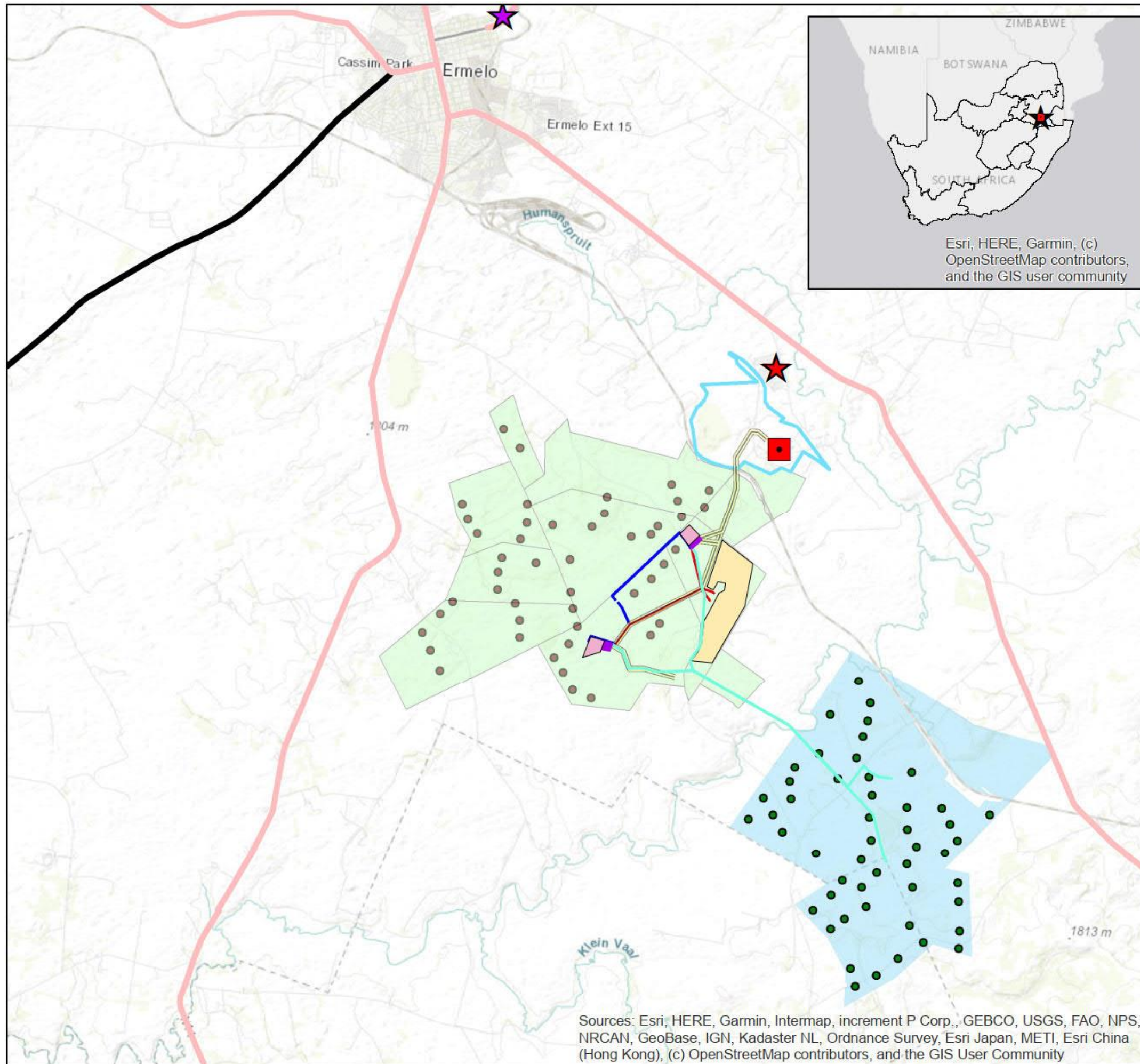
Die kontakbesonderhede van die OEP is:

**Naam:** Babalwa Mqokeli **Tel:** 031 240 8804 **Fax:** 011 361 1381 **E-pos:** [babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com](mailto:babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com) **Adres:** Posbus 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

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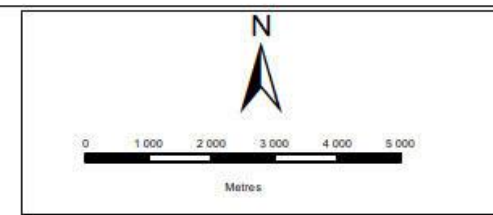






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**Figuur 1: Camden Renewable Energy Cluster wat die onderskeie projekte toon wat daaruit bestaan.**



## APPENDIX

# ***B-3*** NOTIFICATION LETTER



41103247

11 May 2023

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Dear Stakeholder

**NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA / KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN TWEË NETVERBINDINGS VIR DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIEKOMPLEKS NABY ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development.

Kennis word gegee in terme van:

- Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer kragtens artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke om omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) in respek vir aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983, GNR 984 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)
- Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing)
- Artikel 53(1) aansoek kragtens die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleumhulpbronne (MPRDA) vir grondgebruik strydig met die doelwitte van die Wet, met betrekking tot die ontwikkeling van elektriese netwerkinfrastruktuur.

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION**

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst other the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the cluster two up to 132kV overhead powerlines, substations and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations includes the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility and the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility both located on Portions 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322.

**BESKRYWING EN LIGGING**

ENERTRAG Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (ENERTRAG), stel voor, m 'n hernubare energiekompleks, bestaande uit, onder andere die Camden I Windenergie- en Sonenergiefasiliteite, naby Ermelo in Mpumalanga te vestig. As deel van die projek word twee tot en met 132kV oorhoofse kraglyne, substasies en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur benodig. Die voorgestelde magtigings sluit die Basiese Assessering (BA)-prosesse in vir die tot en met 132kV-kraglyne, substasie en gepaardgaande

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infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Windenergiefasiliteit, sowel as die tot en met 132kV-kraglyn, substasie en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur vir die Camden I Sonenergiefasiliteit, beide geleë op Gedeeltes 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No 322.

### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the Proposed Projects are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

- GNR 983: 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 27, 28(ii), 30, 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii)
- GNR 985: 4, 12, 14, 15, 18, 23
- GA / WUL (as applicable): Section 21 (c) and (i)
- Section (53)(1) MPRDA application, as applicable

### OMGEWINGSTOEPASSINGS

Die verwagte gelyste aktiwiteitsnommers wat met die voorgestelde projekte geassosieer word, word in die tabel hieronder weerspieël. Indien u 'n volledige kopie van hierdie aktiwiteite op die lys wil bekom, kontak asseblief die Omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (WHP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

- GNR 983: 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 27, 28(ii), 30, 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii)
- GNR 985: 4, 12, 14, 15, 18, 23
- GA / WUL (soos van toepassing): Artikel 21 (c) en (i)
- Artikel 53(1) aansoek kragtens die MPRDA, soos van toepassing

### REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

### REGISTRASIE

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### DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023**.

- Ermelo Regional Library: Wedgewood Avenue 2351 Ermelo (082 797 5119)
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- WSP Website: <https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents>
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### KONSEP BASIESE ASSESSERINGSRAPPORT OORSIGTYDPERK

Die Konsep Basiese Asseseringsverslae sal op aanvraag en/of by die lokale hieronder beskikbaar gestel word vir hersiening en kommentaar vir 30 dae vanaf **11 Mei 2023 tot 12 Junie 2023**.

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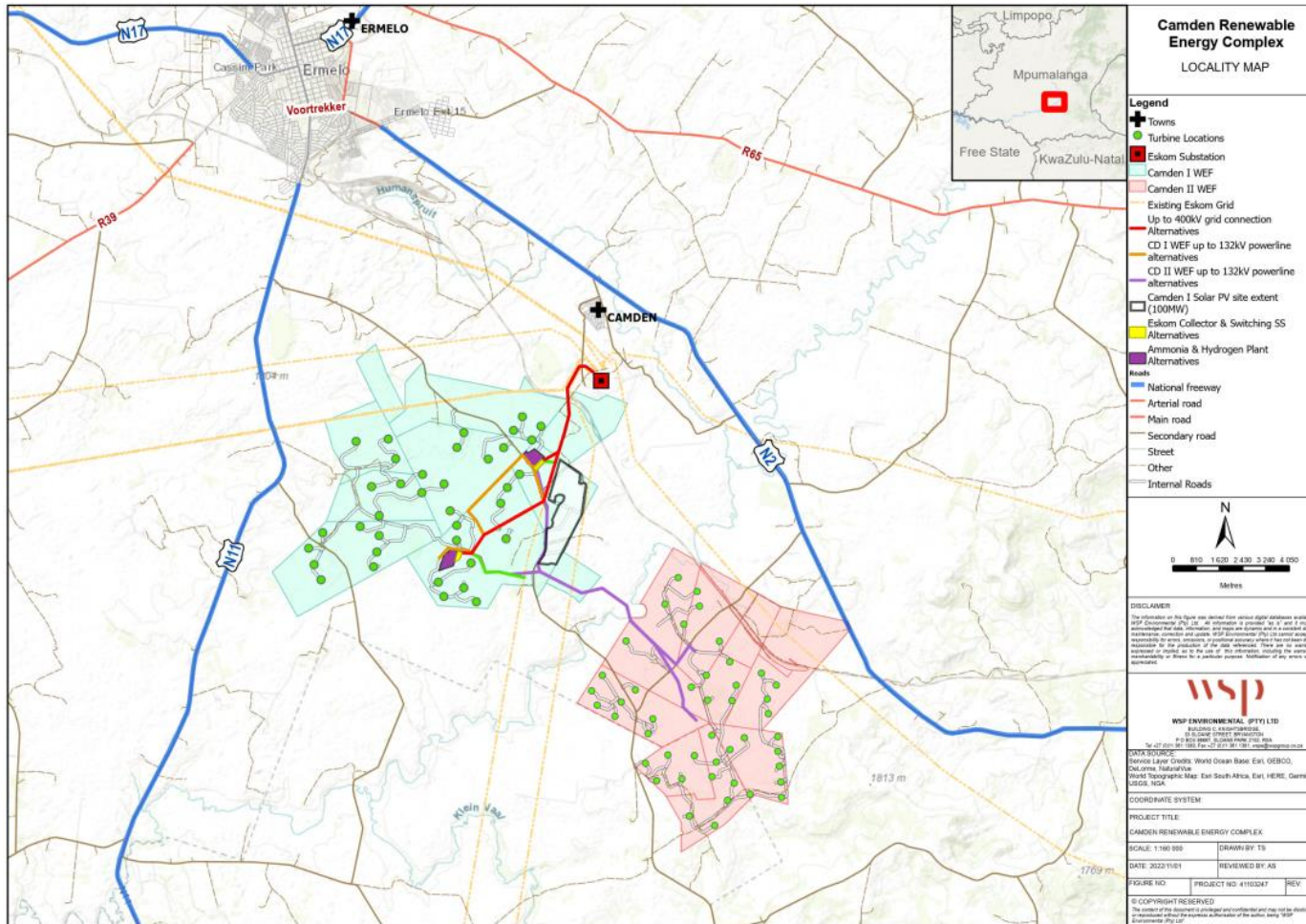
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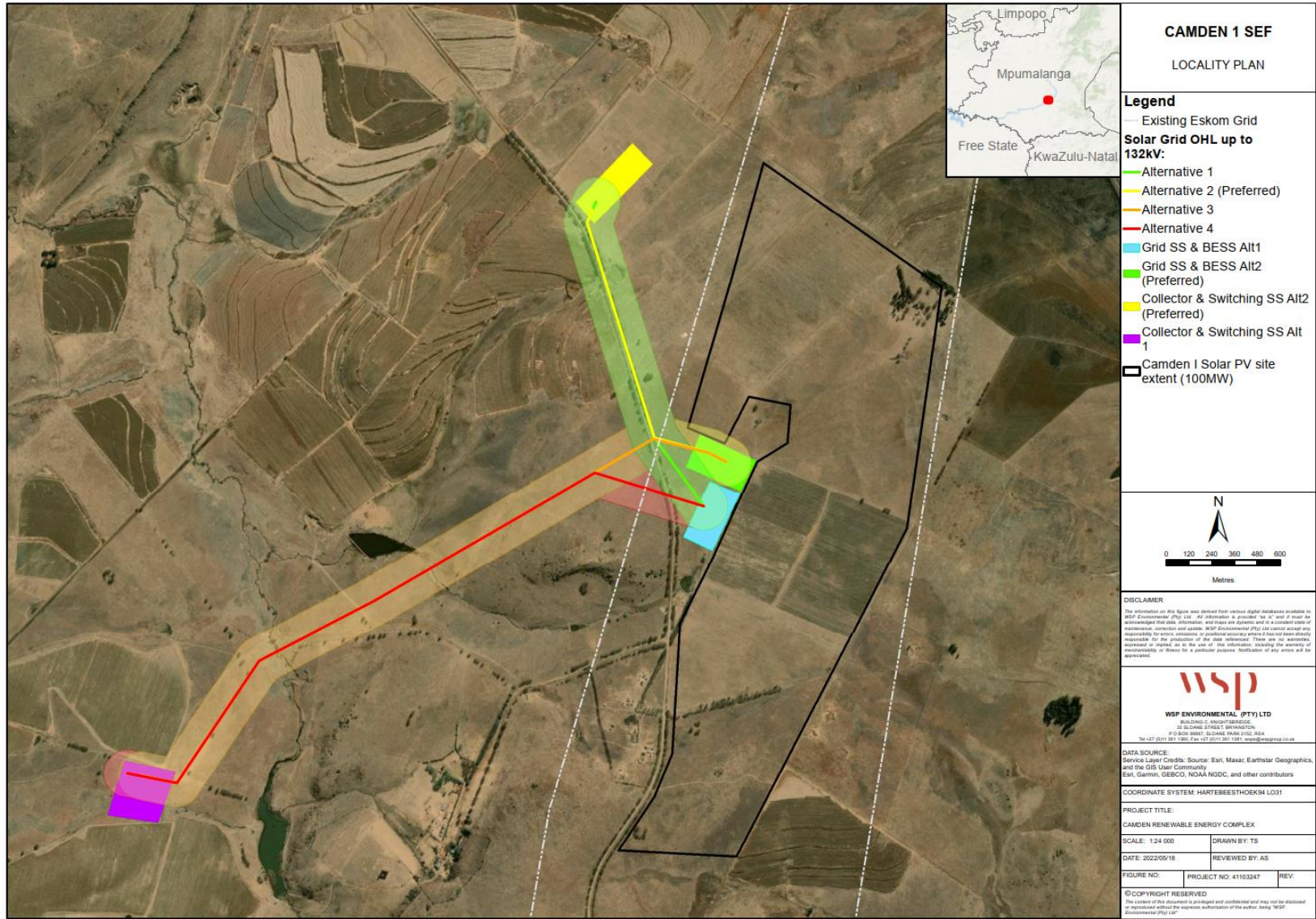


**Figure1/ Figuur 1: Camden renewable Energy Complex**

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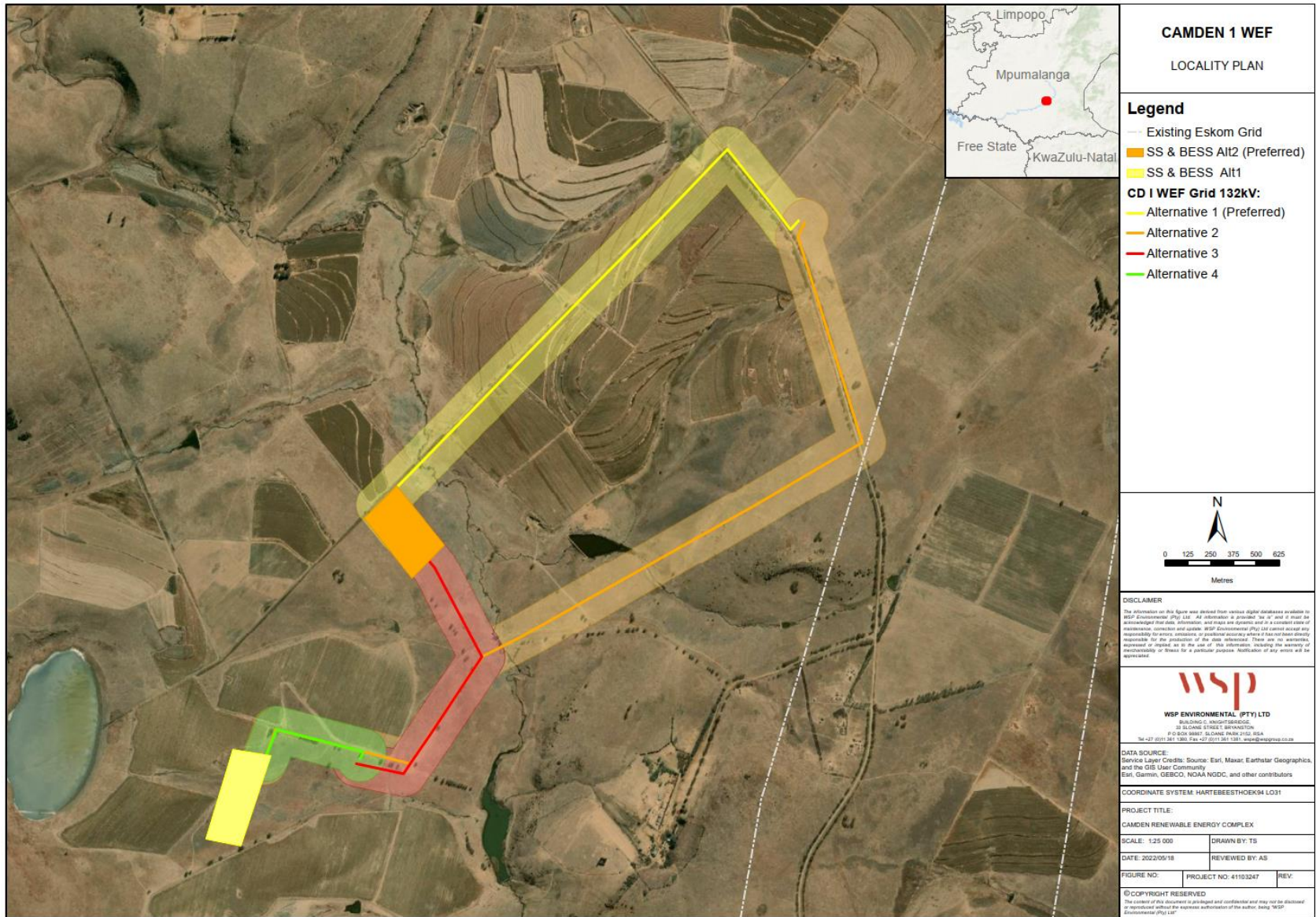
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**Figure2/ Figuur 2: Camden I SEF**





**Figure 3/ Figuur 3: Cameden I WEF**







Client ref.: Camden Renewable Energy Complex  
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25 February 2022

Dear Stakeholder

**Subject: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

Notice is given in terms of:

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- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 38(3)(b) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act No. 39 of 2004) (NEM: AQA) of an invitation to register comments with regards to an application for an Atmospheric Emissions Licence (AEL)

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION**

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising various applications for environmental authorisation, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. The proposed authorisations includes the following Basic Assessment (BA) and Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) processes:

PROPONENT	PROJECT	TECHNOLOGY	PROCESS	FARM NAMES
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 200 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 200MW WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure	Solar	S&EIR	• Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&EIR	• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296
				• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	S&EIR	• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327
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## ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

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PROJECT NAME	LISTING NOTICE		APPLICABLE TRIGGERS									
	GNR	Activity	11	12	14	15	16	19	24	25	27	28
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983		11	12	14	15	16	19	24	25	27	28
	GNR 984		1	15								
	GNR 985		4	12	14							
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983		9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28	
	GNR 984		4	6	15	16						
	GNR 985		4	12	14							
400kV Powerline	GNR 983		12	19	27	28						
	GNR 984		9	15								
	GNR 985		4	12	14							
132kV Powerlines	GNR 983		11	12	19	27	28					
	GNR 985		4	12	14							
GA / WUL (as applicable)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)										
AEL	GNR 893	Category 7: Inorganic Chemicals Industry Subcategory 7.1: Production and or Use in Manufacturing of Ammonia, Fluorine, Fluorine Compounds, Chlorine, and Hydrogen Cyanide										

## REGISTRATION

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Lunga Lomphakathi Elikhethekile

**Subject: ISAZISO NGENTUTHUKO EHLONGOZWAYO YE-CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX, EHLANGANISA IZINQUBO EZAHLUKENE ZEMVELO, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

**Isaziso sinikezwa ngokwemibandela ye:**

- **Umthethonqubo 41(2) we-GNR 982 (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) oshicilelwe ngaphansi kwesigaba 24 no-24D soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke (No. 107 ka-1998) (NEMA) (njengoba uchitshiyelwe) ukuze kuthunyelwe izicelo ezihlukahlukene zokugunyazwa kwezemvelo (EAs) mayelana nemisebenzi ehlonzwe ngokwe-GNR 983, GNR 984 kanye ne-GNR 985 (njengoba ichtshiyelwe)**
- **Isigaba sama-39 noma sama-41(4) soMthetho Wamanzi Kazwelonke (36 ka-1998) (NWA), ukuze kuthunyelwe isicelo sokuGunyazwa Okujwayelekile (GA) noma seLayisense Yokusebenzisa Amanzi (WUL) (njengoba sikhona)**
- **Isigaba sama-38(3)(b) soMthetho Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo Kazwelonke: UMthetho Wekhwalthi Yomoya, 2004 (uMthetho No. 39 ka-2004) (NEM: AQA) wesimemo sokubhalisa imibono mayelana nesicelo Selayisensi Yokungcoliswa Komoya (i-AEL)**

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#### YOBUCHWEPHESHE INQUBO AMAGAMA EPULAZI

<b>Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd</b>	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 200, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442</li> <li>• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322</li> <li>• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293</li> <li>• Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li> <li>• Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290</li> <li>• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296</li> <li>• Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297</li> </ul>
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
<b>Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd</b>	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 200, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya	S&EIR	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	
<b>Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd</b>	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngelanga (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 100, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Ilanga	S&EIR	

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<b>Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd</b>	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne-ammonia	S&EIR	
<b>ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd</b>	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwinani elingu 400kV, kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-Common Collector kanye ne-Main Transmission Substation, nokunye)	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR	

**IZICELO ZEMVELO**

Uhlu lwezikhombo ezithintekayo ngalama-Projekthi zivezwe kwi tafula elilandelayo ngezansi. Uma ufisa ukuthola ikhophi ephelele yale misebenzi esohlwini, sicela uthinte I-Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), iminingwane enikezwe ngezansi.

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**ISAZISO**

**LEPHROJEKTHI**

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<b>Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF</b>	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28			
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<b>Green Hydrogen and Ammonia</b>	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16					
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
<b>400kV Ulayini wamandla</b>	GNR 983	12	19	27	28					
	GNR 984	9	15							
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
<b>132kV Izintambo zikagesi</b>	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
<b>GA / WUL (njengoba kufanele)</b>	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) and 21 (g)								
<b>AEL</b>	GNR 893	Isigaba sesi-7: Isigaba Somkhakha Wamakhemikhali Angaphili 7.1: Ukukhiqizwa kanye noma Ukusetshenziswa Ekukhiqizeni I-Amonia, I-Fluorine, Inhlanganisela Ye-Fluorine, I-Chlorine, ne-Hydrogen Cyanide								

**UKUBHALISA**

I-WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) iqokwe njenge-EAP yi-ENERTRAG, ukuphatha izinqubo ze-BA kanye ne-S&EIR ezifanele. Abantu abafisa ukubhalisa ngokusemthethweni njengababambe iqhaza ukuze babeke imibono yabo mayelana Nemiklamo Ehlongozwayo bayacelwa ukuba bathumele iminingwane yabo egcwele ku-EAP kule mininingwane enikezwe ngezansi. Ababambiqhaza ababhalisiwe bazothunyelwa zonke izincwadi zesikhathi esizayo futhi baziswe ngamunye ngamunye amathuba okubamba iqhaza kulolu hlelo.

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Ozithobayo,

Ashlea Strong  
Associate



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25 Februarie 2022

Geagte Belanghebbende

**Subject: KENNISGEWING VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN DIE CAMDEN HERNUBARE ENERGIekompleks, WAT SAL BESTAAN UIT VERSKEIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSESSE, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

**Kennis word gegee in terme van:**

- **Regulasie 41(2) van GNR 982 (soos gewysig) gepubliseer in terme van artikel 24 en 24D van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (No. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) vir die indiening van verskeie aansoeke vir omgewingsmagtigings (EA's) ten opsigte van aktiwiteite geïdentifiseer ingevolge GNR 983, GNR 984 en GNR 985 (soos gewysig)**
- **Artikel 39 of 41(4) van die Nasionale Waterwet (36 van 1998) (NWA), vir die indiening van 'n Algemene Magtiging (GA) of Watergebruiklisensie (WUL) Aansoek (soos van toepassing)**
- **Artikel 38(3)(b) van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur: Luggehalte, 2004 (Wet No. 39 van 2004) (NEM: AQA) om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer met betrekking tot 'n aansoek vir 'n Atmosferiese Emissielisensie (AEL)**

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PROPONENT	PROJEK	TEGNOLOGIE	PROSES	PLAASNAME
Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 200 MW Windenergiefasiliteit (WEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	• Gedeelte 0, 1 en 3 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 442
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	• Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 200 MW WEF insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	• Gedeelte 2 en 10 van Uitkomst Plaas No. 292
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	• Gedeelte 3 van Langverwach Plaas No. 293 • Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No. 295
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR	• Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	• Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople Plaas No. 296
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Waterstof- en Ammoniakaanleg en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&OIR	• Gedeelte 3,4 en 5 van Buhrmansvallei Plaas No. 297 • Gedeelte 3 en 6 van De Emigrate Plaas No. 327
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 400kV-kraglyn, gemeenskaplike versamelaar en hooftransmissiesubstasie insluitend geassosieerde infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	S&OIR	• Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326

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PROJEK NAAM	NOTERINGSKENNISGEWING	TOEPASLIKE SNELLERS								
Camden I WEF and SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28			
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	GNR 985	4	12	14						
Green Hydrogen and Ammonia	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28
	GNR 984	4	6	15	16					
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
400kV Kraglyn	GNR 983	12	19	27	28					
	GNR 984	9	15							
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
132kV Kragdrade	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28				
	GNR 985	4	12	14						-
GA / WUL (soos van toepassing)	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (c), 21 (i) en 21 (g)								
AEL	GNR 893	Kategorie 7: Anorganiese chemikalieë-industrie Subkategorie 7.1: Produksie en of gebruik in die vervaardiging van ammoniak, fluor, fluorverbindinge, chloor en waterstofsianied								

## REGISTRASIE

WSP Group Africa (Edms) Bpk (WSP) is deur ENERTRAG as die OEP aangestel om die onderskeie BA- en S&OIV-prosesse te behartig. Partye wat formeel as belanghebbendes wil registreer om hul kommentaar oor die voorgestelde projekte te lewer, word versoek om hul volledige kontakbesonderhede aan die OEP te stuur by die besonderhede hieronder verskaf. Geregistreeerde belanghebbendes sal alle toekomstige korrespondensie aangestuur word en individueel in kennis gestel word van bykomende geleenthede om aan die proses deel te neem.

## KONSEP OMFANGVERSLAG OORSIGTYDPERK

Die Konsep Omgewingsbestekverslae sal vir hersiening en kommentaar beskikbaar gestel word op versoek vanaf WSP en by die lokale hieronder, vir 30 dae vanaf **25 Februarie 2022 tot 28 Maart 2022**.

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Vriendelike groete,

Ashlea Strong  
Associate



## **PROPOSED CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX**

### **Ermelo, Mpumalanga Province**

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Enertrag South Africa (Enertrag) is a subsidiary of the German-based Enertrag AG, a hydrogen and renewable energy developer founded in 1992. Enertrag propose to develop the Camden Renewable Energy Complex, near Ermelo in the Mpumalanga Province. The Complex is being developed in tandem with the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy's (DMRE) Integrated Resource Plan, and the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPP), along with suitable private off-take agreements where feasible.

### **PURPOSE OF THE DOCUMENT**

This background information document (BID) introduces all stakeholders to the proposed developments. This document forms part of the respective environmental authorisation processes undertaken as a component of the stakeholder consultation process and is intended to provide stakeholders with adequate information to comment on the development.

The BID details the development, the environmental authorisation processes, the role of stakeholders in the process as well as to encourage stakeholders to comment on the development, ask questions and raise issues that should be included in the various project documentation. Aside from this document, at various stages of the respective environmental authorisation processes, information and reports will be made available for stakeholders to comment on.

WSP Group Africa (WSP) has been appointed by Enertrag as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the environmental authorisation processes for the project and to facilitate a consolidated stakeholder engagement process.

To become a registered stakeholder and ensure all comments and queries regarding this project are accurately documented and addressed, please forward your contact details and comments on the attached response sheet to:

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Camden Renewable Energy Complex is situated in the Msukaligwa Local Municipality and Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality of the Gert Sibande District Municipality in the Mpumalanga Province. The locality of the complex is illustrated in **Figure 1**. The Complex includes eight (8) respective projects, namely:

- Camden I Wind Energy Facility (WEF) (up to 210MW);
- Camden I Solar Energy Facility (SEF) (up to 100MW);
- Camden II WEF (up to 210MW);
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility;
- Camden I WEF Grid Connection (up to 132kV);
- Camden I SEF Grid Connection (up to 132kV);
- Camden II WEF Grid Connection (up to 132kV); and
- Camden Collector Substation and up to 400kV Grid Connection.

### Renewable Energy Facilities

**Table 1** provides a high-level project summary of the proposed Renewable Energy Facilities.

*Table 1: High-level Project Summary – Renewable Energy Facilities*

	CAMDEN I WEF	CAMDEN I SEF	CAMDEN II WEF
<b>Extent</b>	Approximately 6 475 ha	Approximately 307 ha	Approximately 4 835 ha
<b>Buildable Area</b>	Approximately 200 ha	Approximately 280 ha	Approximately 200 ha
<b>Capacity</b>	Up to 210 MW	Up to 100MW	Up to 210 MW
<b>Technology</b>	Wind	Solar Photovoltaic (PV)	Wind
<b>Number of Turbines</b>	Up to 47	-	Up to 50
<b>Turbine Hub height</b>	Up to 200m	-	Up to 200m
<b>Rotor Diameter</b>	Up to 200m	-	Up to 200m

Additional associated infrastructure will include:

- Construction camps and temporary laydown areas;
- Operations and maintenance (O&M) Buildings (including O&M, workshop and stores);
- Batching Plants;
- Internal roads and cables;
- Onsite substations with Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS);
- Water pipeline and associated infrastructure;
- Electrical Grid Infrastructure (up to 400kV as required), including collector substation, to connect the respective facilities to the national grid.



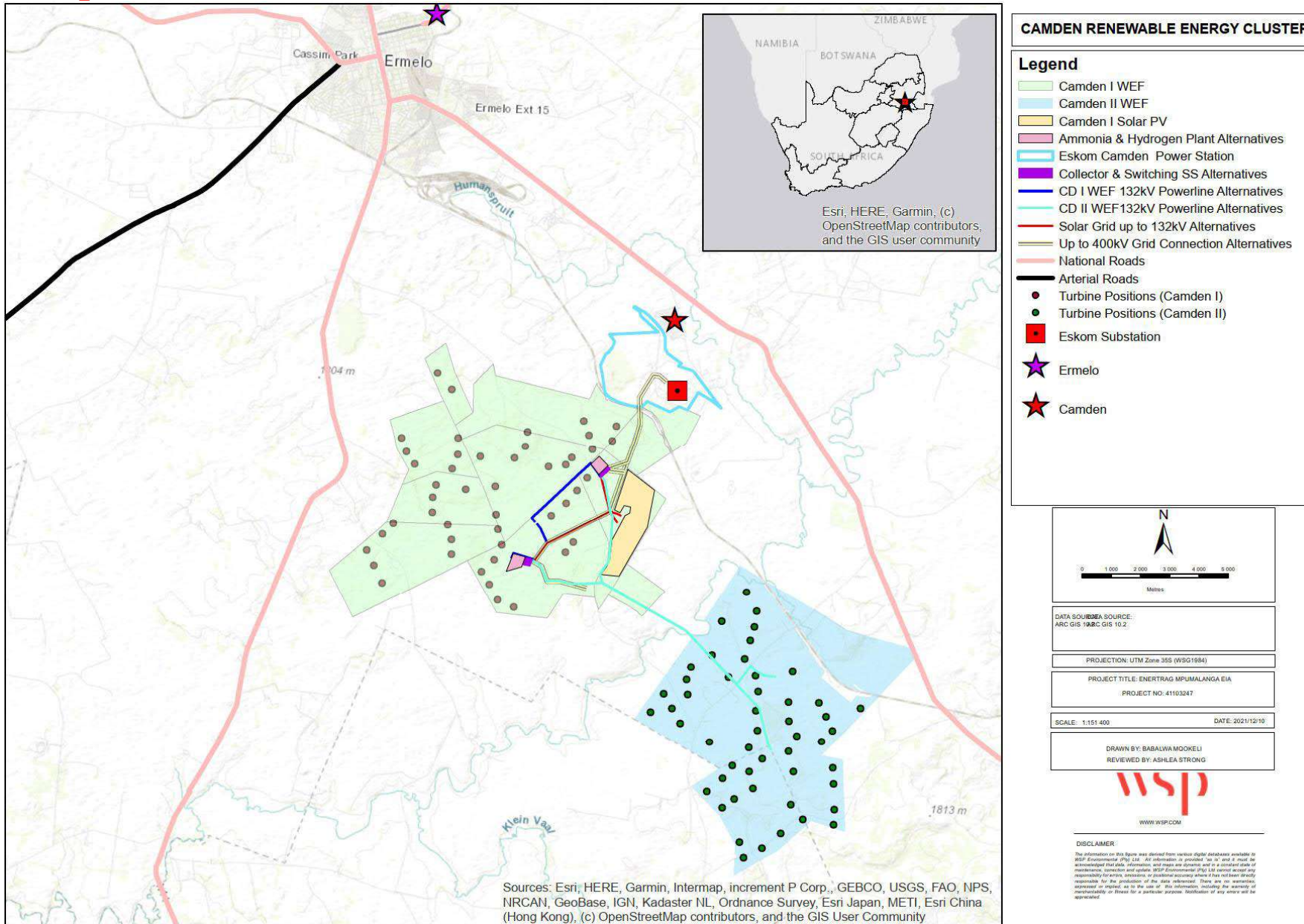


Figure 1: Camden Renewable Energy Cluster showing the respective projects comprised thereof.



### Electrolyser Facility

The green hydrogen and ammonia facility will encompass approximately 25 hectares of land. “Green” hydrogen and ammonia production differs from traditional production technologies in that the process relies exclusively on renewable resources (renewable energy) and input of air and water (feedstock), to produce commercially usable green hydrogen and ammonia. The only solid waste stream is the production of brine from the water treatment plant.

A gaseous ‘waste’ is oxygen generated from the electrolyses process. Another source of gaseous ‘wastes’ is from the Air Separation Unit. This is where nitrogen is removed from the air and the other natural gases initially extracted from the air, expelled back to the same environment.

Traditional hydrogen and ammonia are produced through the burning of fossil fuels (coal or natural gas) to provide the required energy needed for their production. This method of production results in ‘brown’ hydrogen / ammonia as fossil fuels are used (i.e. carbonised sources).

Commercially, hydrogen is used as a fuel for transport in hydrogen fuel cells. Alternatively, hydrogen is used for welding and in the production of other chemicals such as methanol and hydrochloric acid and also has other commercial uses like the filling of balloons. It is also a primary input to the production of ammonia. Ammonia in turn is primarily used in the production of ammonium nitrate (fertiliser) and is also used as refrigerant gas and the manufacture of plastics, explosives, textiles, pesticides and other chemicals. Ammonia can also be used as a stable ‘carrier’ of hydrogen, allowing hydrogen to be readily stored and transported.

## LEGAL FRAMEWORK

In terms of the Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998, as amended) (NEMA) and the amended Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GNR 982 of 2014, as amended), an Environmental Authorisation (EA) is required for all eight projects forming part of the Renewable Energy cluster, as they all include activities that are listed in the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. The respective projects trigger activities from Listing Notice 1 (GNR 983), Listing Notice 2 (GNR 984) and Listing Notice 3 (GNR 985) and therefore five Full Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) processes (**Figure 3**) and three Basic Assessment (BA) processes (**Figure 4**) will be undertaken.

In addition, the National Water Act (Act No.36, 1998) (NWA) aims to control the use of water, which may affect water resources through the licencing of specific water uses in terms of Section 21 of the act. The proposed projects will require an authorisation in terms of Water Use Licences (WUL) or General Authorisations (GA) from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). The WUL application processes will be undertaken concurrently with the S&EIA and BA processes as far as possible.

The overarching piece of legislation that governs air quality management in South Africa in the National Environmental Management Air Quality Act, 39 of 2004 (NEMA:QA). Listed activities and associated minimum emission standards (MES) were published in Government Notice 893 of 2013 (as amended). Given the proposed Electrolyser facilities, the activity will produce ammonia, Category 7: Inorganic Chemicals Industry, Subcategory 7.1: Production and or use in manufacturing of ammonia, fluorine, fluorine compounds, chlorine and hydrogen cyanide, as listed in Section 21 of NEMAQA will therefore apply. This activity requires that any ammonia production facility producing more than 100tpa of ammonia apply for an Atmospheric Emission License (AEL).

Below is a depiction of the timeframes applicable to the respective Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment and Basic Assessment processes.

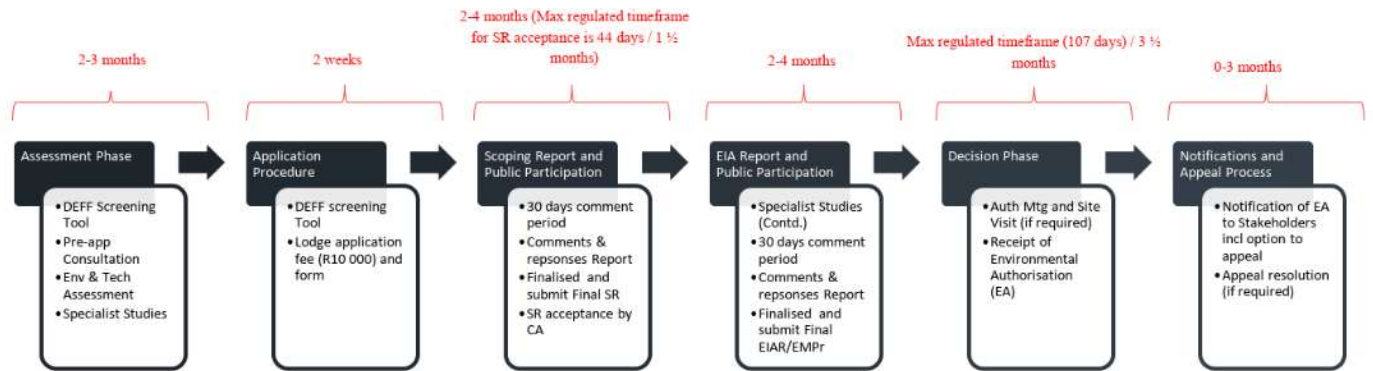


Figure 3: S&EIA Process

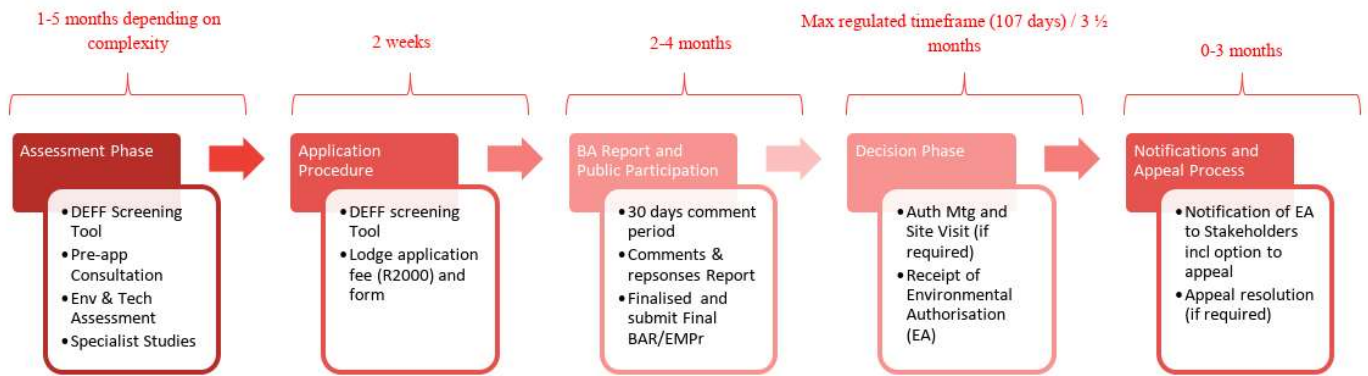


Figure 4: BA Process

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The purpose of stakeholder engagement is to consult with interested and affected parties in the public and private sectors as part of the decision-making process on projects which may affect them. The process aims to develop and maintain open channels of communication between the project team and stakeholders. This process provides stakeholders with the opportunity to express their views and concerns regarding the proposed project through project correspondence. The environmental assessment practitioner documents the views and concerns of stakeholders, and makes the project team and relevant authorities aware of issues that need to be considered during the compilation and evaluation of the potential risks and impacts associated with the project.

### Who is a Stakeholder?

Any person, group of persons or organisation interested and/or affected by the proposed development.

*Register your interest by completing and returning the Registration and Comments Form attached herewith.*

The first steps are to notify the public and previously identified stakeholders of the proposed project. Notification is accomplished by various means to ensure a transparent process and will include details of the project as well as instructions on how to register as a stakeholder. WSP will notify stakeholders by means of advertisements and site notices which are to be placed in and around the project area in clearly visible locations. Additionally, notification emails and this BID will be distributed to surrounding landowners and stakeholders.

Furthermore, the draft Scoping, EIA and BA Reports will be released for 30-day public review periods during the course of the respective processes.





## PROPOSED CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX REGISTRATION AND COMMENT SHEET

Your comments are an important contribution into this authorisation process. We would like to interact directly with you and encourage you to register as a stakeholder so that we can keep you updated as this project moves forward and respond to any questions or concerns that you may wish to raise.

To be a registered stakeholder and ensure all comments and queries regarding this project are accurately documented and addressed please forward your comments and contact details with the attached response sheet to:

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**WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd**  
**Address: P.O. Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152**  
**Tel: +27 31 240 8804**  
**Email: babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com**

Please insert your personal details below:

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<b>Organisation &amp; Designation:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Telephone;</b>		
<b>Mobile:</b>		
<b>E-mail:</b>		
<b>LANDOWNERS:</b>		
If your property is adjacent to Project Area, please tell us your farm name and erf/portion number		
<b>WOULD YOU LIKE TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY?</b>		
Please register me as an interested and affected party (I&AP) for this project so that I may receive further information and notifications as the project develops	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Please include my details on WSP's database to contact me about future projects in my area	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), I disclose below any direct business, financial, personal or other interest that I may have in the approval or refusal of the application:</b>	Date	
	Signature	

Please ask the following of my colleagues / friends to register as Interested and Affected Persons for this environmental authorisation process:

NAME	CONTACT DETAILS



Please list your interest in the proposed project and comment below:

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In order to register you as an I & AP in respect of this project and to comply with laws regarding environmental authorisation for the project, WSP needs to collect and keep certain of your personal information such as your name, contact details, and opinions on the project. This information is shared with WSP’s client who is undertaking the project and with the authorities in line with environmental laws.

In addition, if you give your consent for us to do so, WSP will keep your details on our database of interested parties and may contact you about other projects in the area in the future. If you do not want to be included on our database you are entitled to exercise your rights as a data subject and let us know if you wish to be deregistered.

The Protection of Personal Information Act 2013 (POPIA) imposes requirements for the protection of your personal information. WSP processes your personal information in line with its Privacy Notice. The full Privacy Notice can be accessed [here](#). In summary:

- *Why do we process your personal information:* WSP is an independent consulting company that conducts public participation processes in support of environmental authorisation processes, where environmental authorisation must be obtained for a project. We are required under the applicable environmental laws to keep stakeholder databases per project. If you give your consent, WSP will keep your details on our database of interested parties and may contact you about other projects in future. If you give us contact details for anyone else that you think may want to register as an I&AP, we will only use those details to contact them and will delete the contact information if they choose not to register as an I&AP for this project, or to have their details included in WSP’s database for the purposes of future projects.  
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## APPENDIX

# ***B-4 PROOF OF NOTIFICATION***

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Dear Commenting Authority

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# Camden I Wind Energy Facility 132 KV Grid Connection

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**Development Type:** Electrical Infrastructure

## ProposalDescription:

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (the Developer) is proposing the development of a Camden Renewable Energy Complex comprising various projects within the vicinity of the Camden Power Station in Mpumalanga. The Complex consists of eight projects referred to as: — Camden I Wind Energy Facility (up to 200MW) (subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process) (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2137); — Camden, I Wind Grid Connection (up to 132kV) (subject to a Basic Assessment (BA) Process); (this application); — Camden Grid Connection and Collector substation (up to 400kV) (subject to a S&EIR process)(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134); — Camden I Solar (up to 100MW) (subject to a S&EIR process)(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2136); — Camden I Solar Grid Connection (up to 132kV) (subject to a BA Process); — Camden II Wind Energy Facility (up to 200MW) (subject to a S&EIR process)(DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2135); — Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection (subject to a BA Process); and — Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility and associated infrastructure (subject to a S&EIR process)(MDARDLEA Ref: 1/3/11/16/1G-242) The proposed Camden I Wind Facility will be connected to the nearby Camden Collector substation (which in turn will connect to the Camden Power Station), through an up to 132kV powerline (either single or double circuit) between the grid connection substation portion (immediately adjacent the Camden I Wind Facility on-site IPP substation portion) and that of the Camden Collector substation. The focus of this Application is the proposed Camden I Wind Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection powerline and associated infrastructure. WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed by Enertrag as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to facilitate the Basic Assessment (BA) process in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014, as amended). The proposed project entails the construction of an up to 132kV Grid connection overhead powerline including associated infrastructure, from the Camden I Wind Facility to the nearby Camden Collector substation (which in turn will connect to the Camden Power Station). The lengths of the powerline alternatives are listed below, and is dependent on the authorized location of the collector substation: — Alternative 1: 3.9km (Preferred) (Preferred substation to Preferred collector) — Alternative 2: 5.69km — Alternative 3: 1.94km — Alternative 4: 1km The onsite grid connection substation will consist of high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, etc. The area for the onsite substation will be up to 1.5ha. The up to 132kV powerline and substation will have a 500m corridor (250m either side of the centre line and 250m around the entire perimeter of the proposed substation sites), to allow for micro-siting and avoidance of sensitive features where possible. This corridor, as opposed to the line routing, is proposed for authorisation. This application includes the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at the Collector Substation (i.e., the termination works). The proposed project will comprise the following key components, detailed further in the table below: — The grid connection substation (adjacent the IPP substation), consisting of a high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, lighting and fencing; — Construction of an up to 132kV power line (either single or double circuit) between the grid connection substation portion and that of the Camden Collector substation; and — Termination works, comprising the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at and into the Collector Substation. — Existing or new access and service roads (utilising existing roads where possible, with new roads developed where there are no existing roads to be utilised). — In order for the proposed project to proceed, it will require an Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the Competent Authority (CA) (i.e. the National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment, (DFFE)).

**ApplicationDate:** Monday, April 3, 2023 - 17:01

**CaseID:** 21034

**Applicants:** WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd

**Consultants/Experts:** Ashlea Strong

**OtherReferences:**

Department	ApplicationType	DeadlineDate
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment	Draft BAR	11/05/2023

**Heritage Reports:** PIA Camden I WEF 132kV Grid Connection

HIA Camden I WEF 132kV Grid Connection

Heritage Register Appendix 1

**APPENDIX**

# **C MEETINGS**



## APPENDIX

# **C-1** *DFFE PRE- APPLICATION MEETING*



## MEETING NOTES

<b>JOB TITLE</b>	Camden Renewable Energy Complex
<b>PROJECT NUMBER</b>	41103247
<b>DATE</b>	19 October 2021
<b>TIME</b>	10h00 – 11h20
<b>VENUE</b>	Online (MS Teams)
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Pre-Application Meeting with DFFE (Ref: 2021-10-0008)
<b>CLIENT</b>	ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd
<b>PRESENT</b>	Olivia Letlalo (DFFE) – OL Makhosi Yeni (DFFE) – MY Thando Booï (DFFE) – TB Mahlatse Shubane (DFFE) – MS Thembisile Hlatshwayo (DFFE) –TH Mmatlala Rabothata (DFFE) – MR Sean Maphosa (ENERTRAG) – SM Zwivhuya Mutele (ENERTRAG) – ZM Gideon Raath (ENERTRAG) – GR Ashlea Strong (WSP) – AS Babalwa Mqokeli (WSP) – BM
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Portia Makitla (DFFE) Seoka Lekota (DFFE)
<b>DISTRIBUTION</b>	As above ( <b>Appendix A</b> )

### MATTERS ARISING

### ACTION

<b>1.0 INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– AS welcomed everyone to the conversation. This was followed by a round of introductions and an overview of the meeting agenda.</li> <li>– A presentation was made to all attendees to provide information on the projects.</li> </ul> <p><i>*AS received consent from all parties present to record the meeting.</i></p> <p><i>** A copy of the PowerPoint presentation has been attached hereto for reference (<b>Appendix B</b>).</i></p>	
<b>2.0 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION</b>	

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## MATTERS ARISING

## ACTION

2.1 **Project Background and Description**

- AS provided a brief overview of the proposed Projects (Camden Renewable Energy Complex):
  - identifying the four Special Project Vehicles (SPVs) as the Applicants (i.e., Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd, Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd and ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd).
  - Outlining that the proposed Projects are being developed in the tandem with the DMRE Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) and the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPP)
- The Complex will be divided into seven standalone projects, namely:
  - Camden I Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW).
  - Camden I Wind Energy Facility up to 400kV Grid Connection
  - Camden I Solar 100MW.
  - Camden I Solar up to up to 400kV Grid Connection.
  - Camden II Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW).
  - Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection.
  - Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility
- The location of the Project areas was identified as being in the Msukaligwa and Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipalities, within the Gert Sibande District Municipality, in the Mpumalanga Province.
- The farm portions affected by the two WEFs and SEF, based on the initial layout, were outlined.
- The location of the Project areas was shown on the maps.
- Typical infrastructure associated with the Wind and Solar projects was outlined.
- Key considerations noted included:
  - the presence of critical biodiversity areas (CBAs), ecological support areas (ESAs), and National Protected Area Expansion Strategy Focus Areas (NPAES),
  - the project area falls within the Air Quality Highveld Priority Area, and
  - the project area does not fall within any Strategic Transmission Corridor (STC) or Renewable Energy Development Zone (REDZ).
- TB asked whether there is an approved/adopted Bioregional Plan for Mpumalanga Province, regarding the CBAs and ESAs
  - AS stated, that at this stage that the most recent SANBI BGIS database is being used and have not looked at the Mpumalanga Bioregional Plan as yet
  - GR added that the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan was the basis for the CBA/ESA classifications, and enquired on whether the question relates to the Sector Plan being gazetted
  - TB added that there are implications for the Listed Activities contained in Listing Notice 3 when a Bioregional Plan has been adopted.
  - AS confirmed that preliminary Listed Activities from Listing Notice 3 have been identified as a result of the considered Biodiversity Sector Plan on BGIS. Additionally, the Biodiversity Specialists will also consider the most recent Biodiversity Sector Plans

- DFFE will provide comments on the already submitted PP Plan, and WSP to update and submit final PP Plan for approval

2.2 **Permitting Processes**

- AS ran through the provisional Environmental Authorisation Processes that will be undertaken:
  - Five Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment Processes:
    - Camden I Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW).
    - Camden I Wind Energy Facility up to 400kV Grid Connection
    - Camden I Solar 100MW,
    - Camden I Solar up to up to 400kV Grid Connection (\*\*To be confirmed)
    - Camden II Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW)
  - Basic Assessment Process:
    - Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection
  - Water Use Licence / Water Use Authorisation Process will be undertaken in parallel as needed

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- AS ran through the applicable Listed Activities of the EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) that have been identified to date, noting that Listing Notice 1, Listing Notice 2 and Listing Notice 3 are triggered as applicable for each of the projects.
- AS highlighted that additional Listing Notice 3 Activities may be identified as the BA Scoping Processes progress and will be added to the Application.
  - TB added that Listed Activities section needs to also include detail on how each sub-activity of the Listed Activity is triggered (that is, why each identified Activity is applicable).
    - GR enquired whether omitting the sub-activity or stating the incorrect sub-activity would result in the entire activity not being authorised.
    - TB highlighted that it is important to include all the applicable aspects of the Listed Activity (including sub-Activity) in the Application. Also add information and detail on how/why it is applicable for each aspect of the Activity.
    - MS reiterated that the EAP needs to highlight how each Listed Activity is triggered and that the onus is on the EAP to ensure that all relevant Listed Activities have been identified and are included in the Application form.
  - OL added that all the applicable components of the projects that are relevant to the Listed Activity must be identified/detailed/described. (E.g., if the Activity lists transmission and distribution infrastructure then account for all related infrastructure such as substation – and not only state powerlines)
  - OL also added that the relevant Activity relating to BESS must be included if applicable. Should it not form a triggered Activity then clarity and motivation of same must be included.
    - AS confirmed that the motivation will be included in the relevant Application form.
    - GR enquired on the specific Listed Activity for BESS.
    - OL responded that it is Activity of 14 of Listing Notice 1, however only if assembled on site. Should it be pre-assembled then it won't be applicable.
    - GR confirmed that a pre-assembled structure is currently proposed, however should this change then the relevant Activity will be included.
  - OL stated that the preferred technology for the BESS must be included in the Application, and the assessment and mitigation measure for the preferred and alternative technologies must be clearly indicated and detailed in the report.
    - GR stated that the preferred technology has not been confirmed at this stage and asked whether it would be essential at application stage or can it be included at Reporting phase.
    - OL stated that it is important that all technologies, including the preferred technology, are assessed during the EIA process (i.e., impacts associated with each technology are assessed and the mitigation measures are included). All alternatives must be assessed so that in the event an amendment is required with regards to the technology, the applicant can prove that it was assessed during the initial process.

2.3 **Specialist Assessments**

- AS ran through the identified sensitivities as per the DFFE Online Screening Tool report, and specialist assessments noted therein.
- AS identified the specialist assessments that are to be undertaken as part of the BA and EIA processes, as well as the studies that are not being undertaken as part of the assessments and supporting reasons for their exclusion.
- AS added that the Specialist studies will be undertaken in accordance with the relevant Protocols.  
AS highlighted the relevant Commenting Authorities for the studies that will not be undertaken (such as Defence, Civil and RFI) will be consulted for comment as part of PPP.

2.4 **Competent Authority**

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## ACTION

- AS indicated that DFFE had been identified as the Competent Authority (CA) and requested DFFE confirmation.
- Clarity was obtained that the provincial department (MDARDLEA) was identified as CA for the ammonia plant.
- TB asked whether the projects would form part of the DMRE IRP bidding process?
  - GR stated that the projects are considered for inclusion in bidding process, with also an option for Private Off take if there is a demand.
- TB confirmed that DFFE is the CA if projects are undertaken as part of the IRP process
- AS stated, that due to the projects being large scale electricity generation projects, DFFE is considered the CA.
- OL requested clarity on whether the intention is to combine the process considering the number of projects
  - AS confirmed that each project will be a separate Application

2.5 **Public Participation Process**

- AS provided an overview of the proposed public participation process in accordance with the EIA Regulations (2014, as amended).
- AS noted, that a draft Public Participation (PP) Plan was submitted to DFFE together with the Pre-Application meeting request.
- AS asked whether DFFE would like anything specific to be added to PP Process.
  - MS stated that DFFE will review the PPP Plan submitted and provide a written response as part of the approval process of the PP Plan.
  - OL added that DFFE will provide comments on the already submitted PP Plan for WSP to update as submit final PP Plan for approval.

2.6 **Timeframes**

- AS noted, that the projects will follow the standard Authority timeframes due to the fact that the projects are not within the REDZs:
  - Basic Assessment – 107 days
  - S&EIA – 107 days
- OL asked whether the intention is to submit the Application first and then the report and cautioned on submitting the Applications and the Draft Reports later, as a measure to avoid the applications lapsing.
- OL highlighted that a SIP confirmation letter should be obtained from Eskom and submitted with the Applications. In the event that the projects are confirmed as SIPs, a 57-days authority decision-making timeframe will apply.
- OL provide the relevant contact details: *SIP Coordinator details:*  
[rowan.beukes@eskom.co.za](mailto:rowan.beukes@eskom.co.za)
- GR enquired on the timeframe for the submission of the SIP Confirmation letter.
  - OL suggested that it is submitted at Application phase to be considered as SIP projects well in time.

3.0 **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

AS opened the floor for any comments or questions. The following items were raised and discussed.

3.1 **Specific Clarification**

- GR requested confirmation on whether it would be acceptable for the Specialists to compile combined reports for the respective clusters (i.e., Camden 1 Report to report on WEF+ Ammonia + Grid) or would the DFFE require separate reports for each project.
  - MY stated that if the Specialist studies have considered the Protocols in their Specialist Assessments and the studies are undertaken in accordance with the protocols then combined reports will not be an issue.
  - MS added that if the one report speaks to all the projects then a combine report is suitable.
  - MS added that the combined report for each study must ensure that it concludes on each specific component of the project (in detail) and stipulate the Specialists' opinion on whether each project component can be authorised/proceed. The



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- recommendations must be specific and not follow a blanket approach for the projects.
- GR enquired on the number of Case officers that will be handling the projects, considering that these are multiple projects.
    - MY stated that the DFFE will handle the allocation of the projects accordingly. There would be an indication in the submitted Application that references this Pre-Application meeting, and the applications can therefore be distributed to any of the three Case Officers that are in attendance at this Meeting. The DFFE will decide if there is a need to utilise more than one case officer.
    - AS noted, that the Applications would be submitted via the DFFE online submission platform and distributed to the Case Officer(s) as required.
  - MR asked that given that ATNS are now the official party responsible for obstacle assessments and effectively subcontract CAA, would a comment from ATNS be sufficient as part of the EIA process, for the purpose of fulfilling the protocol's requirement of obtaining comment from CAA
    - TB stated that the protocols must be followed, and comments must be obtained from CAA as required.
    - OL added that if ATNS subcontracted CAA, then the subcontract agreement letter and comments from ATNS can be considered sufficient and submitted together for consideration.
  - *Post Meeting Note: Confirmation was obtained from the CAA, via email on 25 October 2021, noting that in terms of Obstacle Notice 1/2021 – Appointment of New Windfarm Obstacle Application Service Provider, as of the 1st of May 2021 Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) has been appointed as the new Obstacle application Service Provider for Windfarms and later Solar Plants. Their responsibility pertains to the assessments, maintenance, and all other related matters in respect to Windfarms and in due time Power Plant assessments.*

3.2 **Site Sensitivities**

- MR requested clarity on characteristics that make the site/project area fall under a CBA, as well as aspects of the site that have resulted in its high sensitivity determination as per the Screening Tool.
  - The screening Report mentions that there are CBAs as outlined by the Biodiversity Sector Plan, and the aspects characterising the site as a CBA will also be detailed in the Biodiversity Specialist study.
- MR also enquired on what the site sensitivity rating would be after the implementation of mitigation measures.
  - AS stated, that detailed information on the sensitivity of the project site post mitigation will be provided in the Biodiversity Specialist Report.
- MR also advised that the reports must detail the type of CB that it is, whether it is CBA1 or CBA 2, and that the Processes and Reporting also take into consideration the Provincial Conservation Sector Plans
  - AS confirmed that Provincial Conservation Plans will be considered in the Processes, including the Biodiversity studies.

3.3 **Confirmation of Online Submission**

- AS noted, that the BA and S&EIA Applications would be submitted via the DFFE online submission platform.
- MR provided contact details for the submission electronic reports to the Biodiversity Directorate. Furthermore, MR noted that reports can also be sent via we transfer (*Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota*).

3.4 **General Comments**

- TB emphasised the requirement to submit the Generic EMPs for the substation and powerlines as part of the Grid Connections EMPs.
- OL added that the amended version of the PP Plan must be submitted to MS, MY, TB, TH and OL.

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### ACTION


<b>4.0 WAY FORWARD</b>	
<p>— WSP to formalise meeting minutes and submit via email to DFFE for approval.</p> <p>No further points were raised for discussion.</p> <p>The meeting was closed at 11:20</p>	<p>— WSP to formalise meeting minutes and distribute for approval</p>

### APPROVED



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Date:   18 November 2021  

### NEXT MEETING

No additional meetings have been scheduled.

## MEETING NOTES

## APPENDIX A: MEETING ATTENDANCE

Meeting Summary						
Total Number of Participants	12					
Meeting Title	2021-10-0008 - Enertrag - Camden I & II EA Processes					
Meeting Start Time	10/19/2021, 9:54:13 AM					
Meeting End Time	10/19/2021, 11:38:16 AM					
Meeting Id	e4611673-0957-4892-b05c-f228c3f865b6					
Full Name	Join Time	Leave Time	Duration	Email	Role	Participant ID (UPN)
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Mahlatse Shubane	10/19/2021, 10:38:16 AM	10/19/2021, 10:43:40 AM	5m 23s		Presenter	

**MEETING NOTES**

**APPENDIX B: PRESENTATION**



# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESSES FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX

## DFFE REF NUMBER: TO BE CONFIRMED ONCE RESPECTIVE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

The restrictions enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096 which placed the country in a national state of disaster limiting the movement of people to curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus has placed some limitations on the commencement and continuation of the public consultation as part of an EIA process. Considering these limitations, the following consultation process has been designed and will be implemented, on approval by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), to cater for the facilitation of the public participation process (PPP). The PPP includes Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), the competent authority, directly impacted landowners/occupiers, adjacent landowners/occupiers, relevant Organs of State departments, Municipalities, ward councillors and other key stakeholders and all other parties that may have interest on this project.

The Public Participation Plan (PPP) is submitted as per the requirements of the General Provisions of Annexure 2 of the Regulations issued in terms of Section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No.57 of 2002). Which was published on 05 June 2020 in Government Notice No R560 of Government Gazette No 43412.

This plan has been developed for the environmental impact and basic assessment processes required for the Camden Renewable Energy Complex. The projects associated with this complex include:

- Environmental Impact Assessment for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW)
- Environmental Impact Assessment for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility up to 400kV Grid Connection, including up to 400kV Collector Substation and Camden Power Station up to 400kV Grid connection.
- Environmental Impact Assessment for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility (up to 100MW)
- Environmental Impact Assessment for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility up to 400kV Grid Connection
- Environmental Impact Assessment for the Camden II Wind Energy Facility (up to 210MW)
- Basic Assessment for the Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection

According to Section (2)(4)(f) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), the participation of all I&APs must be promoted and all potential I&APs must be informed early and in an informative and proactive way regarding applications that may affect their lives or livelihood in order to give effect to the above sections, and that it is essential to ensure that there is adequate and appropriate opportunity for public participation in decisions that may affect the environment.

A consolidated I&AP database will be compiled for these processes. The I&APs will be provided with opportunity to review and make comments on all relevant documentation associated with the above-mentioned applications.

**Table 1** provides the competent authority with the detailed outline of the public participation process that will be undertaken for the projects. **Table 2** provides the competent authority with an outline of the meetings

The requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 14 of 2013) (POPIA) relating to registers of I&APs and the inclusion of comments in reports will be taken into consideration.





Table 1: Proposed Public Participation Plan

**SUMMARY OF PPP REQUIREMENT  
(GNR 326 OF EIA REGULATIONS)**

**PROPOSED PLAN/ACTIVITIES**

<p>39 (1) If the proponent is not the owner or person in control of the land on which the activity is to be undertaken, the proponent must, before applying for an environmental authorisation in respect of such activity, obtain the written consent of the landowner or person in control of the land to undertake such activity on that land.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Landowner consent letters will be obtained for each of the farms portions where the proposed activities will be undertaken. Consent letters will be included in the Application forms for Environmental Authorisation.</li> </ul>
<p>39 (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply in respect of—</p> <p>(a) linear activities;</p> <p>(b) activities constituting, or activities directly related to prospecting or exploration of a mineral and petroleum resource or extraction and primary processing of a mineral or petroleum resource; and</p> <p>(c) strategic integrated projects as contemplated in the Infrastructure Development Act, 2014.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Landowner Consent Letters are not required for linear activities.</li> <li>— Notification letters of the Environmental Assessment Processes undertaken for the linear projects will be distributed via email and/or hand delivery (as required) to the directly impacted landowners or occupiers of the land.</li> </ul>
<p>40 (1) The public participation process to which the—</p> <p>(a) basic assessment report and EMPr, and where applicable the closure plan, submitted in terms of regulation 19; and</p> <p>(b) scoping report submitted in terms of regulation 21 and the environmental impact assessment report and EMPr submitted in terms of regulation 23;</p> <p>was subjected to must give all potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, a period of at least 30 days to submit comments on each of the basic assessment report, EMPr, scoping report and environmental impact assessment report, and where applicable the closure plan, as well as the report contemplated in regulation 32, if such reports or plans are submitted at different times.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Notification of the availability of the Scoping and Environmental Impact (S&amp;EIA) and Basic Assessment (BA) Reports as relevant for the relevant Camden Renewable Energy Complex projects, as well as the period for review will be sent to all identified and registered stakeholders via email and sms.</li> <li>— The Draft Reports will be made available to all stakeholders for a 30-day comment period as follows:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.</li> <li>— On the WSP website <u>as well as on a data free website<sup>1</sup> for download.</u></li> <li>— Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices etc.</li> <li>— CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.</li> <li>— Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i><u>Note: Should the COVID-19 level be level 3 or higher at time of disclosure, WSP will confirm with the local libraries, as to whether they are open and able to accept documents for public review. In the event that public places are not available due to COVID restrictions WSP will provide the Local Ward Councillors with copies of the reports to ensure that I&amp;APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&amp;APs.</u></i></p>
<p>40 (2) The public participation process contemplated in this regulation must provide</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&amp;APs, and that they are afforded the opportunity to participate in the projects, as well</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> A data free website is a website that the public can access and download information without using their own data or incurring costs



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<p>access to all information that reasonably has or may have the potential to influence any decision with regard to an application unless access to that information is protected by law and must include consultation with—</p> <p>(a) the competent authority.</p> <p>(b) every State department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to an application for an environmental authorisation.</p> <p>(c) all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and</p> <p>(d) all potential, or, where relevant, registered interested and affected parties.</p>	<p>as submit comments and raise any concerns and/or issues with regards to the proposed projects. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Identification of stakeholders with a potential interest in the project will be at the outset of the project.</li> <li>— All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the S&amp;EIA and BA processes.</li> <li>— The stakeholder database will include all relevant authorities (government departments and relevant district and local municipalities), ward councillors, relevant conservation bodies and non-governmental organisations (NGO's), as well as neighbouring landowners and the surrounding community.</li> <li>— General communication (written notification) with identified stakeholders (public and other government departments/authorities) on the proposed projects.</li> <li>— Distribution of the Background Information Document (BID), inclusive of a Registration and Comments Form, to allow stakeholders to register and ensure all comments and queries regarding the projects are captured for inclusion in the relevant Stakeholder Engagement Reports.</li> <li>— Consultation of relevant communities via the Ward Councillor and/or community representative, in a manner determined and/or required during stakeholder engagement.</li> </ul>
<p>40 (3) Potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in subregulation (1) prior to submission of an application but must be provided with an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the competent authority.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Reports will be made available to all potential or registered I&amp;APS following the submission of the applications to the DFFE, that is during the legislated relevant report review periods.</li> <li>— Reports will be available on request, on the WSP website, and in hard copy at appropriate public places in the study area such as public libraries and municipal officers.</li> <li>— All I&amp;APs will be provided an opportunity to comment on the reports and submit comments directly to the EAP. <u>Comments can be submitted in the following ways:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— <u>Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email</u></li> <li>— <u>Written comments via email or fax</u></li> <li>— <u>Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and</u></li> <li>— <u>Via Whatsapp or SMS (including the use of “please call me”).</u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>41(2) The person conducting a PPP must give notice to all potential I&amp;APs by-</p> <p>(a) fixing a notice board at a place conspicuous to and accessible by the public at the boundary, on the fence or along the corridor of—</p> <p>(i) the site where the activity to which the application or proposed application relates is or is to be undertaken; and</p> <p>(ii) any alternative site;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Placement of site notices (in English, Afrikaans and IsiZulu) at appropriate locations on site (at the wind and solar facilities and at various points along the OHPL routes) and in the surrounding area.</li> <li>— This will include the boundary/access road to the sites, as well as additional public places within the greater Ermelo area, such as grocery stores, municipality, and/or local public libraries.</li> </ul>
<p>(b) giving written notice, in any of the manners provided for in section 47D of the Act, to—</p> <p>(i) the occupiers of the site and, if the proponent or applicant is not the owner or person in control of the site on which the activity is to be undertaken, the owner or person in control of the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken and to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— A written notification (in English, Afrikaans, and Isizulu) will be sent to owners and occupiers on or adjacent to the proposed project sites, municipality ward councillors, local and district municipality, and relevant state departments.</li> <li>— General communication (written notification) with stakeholders (public and government departments/authorities) throughout the respective environmental impact assessment (EIA) and basic assessment (BA) processes.</li> <li>— Stakeholders will be added to the database on request as the project progresses.</li> </ul>



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<p>(ii) owners, persons in control of, and occupiers of land adjacent to the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken and to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken;</p> <p>(iii) the municipal councillor of the ward in which the site and alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represent the community in the area;</p> <p>(iv) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area;</p> <p>(v) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity; and</p> <p>(vi) any other party as required by the competent authority;</p>	
<p>(c) placing an advertisement in—</p> <p>(i) one local newspaper; or</p> <p>(ii) any official Gazette that is published specifically for the purpose of providing public notice of applications or other submissions made in terms of these Regulations;</p>	<p>An advert will be published in relevant local newspapers (in English, Afrikaans and IsiZulu), formally announcing the commencement of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) applications, requesting stakeholders to register their interest in the project, and informing them of the release of the Draft Scoping, EIA and BA Reports for public review and comment.</p>
<p>(d) placing an advertisement in at least one provincial newspaper or national newspaper, if the activity has or may have an impact that extends beyond the boundaries of the metropolitan or district municipality in which it is or will be undertaken</p>	<p>It has been established that advertising in provincial and national newspapers is not required as the impact of the activities do not extend beyond the boundaries of the district municipality or province in which the Project will be undertaken.</p>
<p>(e) using reasonable alternative methods, as agreed to by the competent authority, in those instances where a person is desirous of but unable to participate in the process due to—</p> <p>(i) illiteracy;</p> <p>(ii) disability; or</p> <p>(iii) any other disadvantage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— A consolidated I&amp;AP database will be compiled for the project. Any existing I&amp;AP databases for other projects in the area known to the applicant will be utilised as a basis for the database. These I&amp;APs will be contacted to request formal consent to be included in the projects’ database, in line with the POPI Act. As part of the verification process, existing I&amp;APs will be contacted telephonically and asked to confirm their preferred method of communication.</li> <li>— The relevant ward councillors will be contacted to ensure that community-based organisations are aware of the Project and can assist in distributing and communicating relevant Project information to community members.</li> <li>— <u>Virtual focus group meetings will be held in each phase of the project.</u></li> <li>— <u>In the event that face-to-face meetings are requested, these will be arranged on a case by case basis, taking into account the relevant COVID restrictions at the time of the request.</u></li> <li>— <u>I&amp;APs will be able to contact the EAP via email, fax, telephone, whatsapp or SMS (Including the use of “please call me”).</u></li> </ul>
<p>41 (3) A notice, notice board or advertisement referred to in subregulation (2) must—</p> <p>(a) give details of the application or proposed application which is subjected to public participation; and</p>	<p>— An advert will be published in relevant local newspapers (in English, Afrikaans and IsiZulu), formally announcing the commencement of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) applications, requesting stakeholders to register their interest in the project, and informing them of the release of the Draft Scoping, EIA and BA Reports for public review and comment.</p>



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<p>(b) state—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) whether basic assessment or S&amp;EIR procedures are being applied to the application;</li> <li>(ii) the nature and location of the activity to which the application relates;</li> <li>(iii) where further information on the application or proposed application can be obtained; and</li> </ul> <p>(iv) the manner in which and the person to whom representations in respect of the application or proposed application may be made.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Site notices (in English, Afrikaans and IsiZulu) will be placed at appropriate locations on site) and in the surrounding area. The size and content of the site notices will be in line with Regulation 41 (3) and 41(4) as contained herein.</li> </ul>
<p>41 (4) A notice board referred to in subregulation (2) must—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be of a size of at least 60cm by 42cm; and</li> <li>(b) display the required information in lettering and in a format as may be determined by the competent authority.</li> </ul>	
<p>41 (5) Where public participation is conducted in terms of this regulation for an application or proposed application, subregulation (2)(a), (b), (c) and (d) need not be complied with again during the additional public participation process contemplated in regulations 19(1)(b) or 23(1)(b) or the public participation process contemplated in regulation 21(2)(d), on condition that—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) such process has been preceded by a public participation process which included compliance with subregulation (2)(a), (b), (c) and (d); and</li> <li>(b) written notice is given to registered interested and affected parties regarding where the— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) revised basic assessment report or, EMPr or closure plan, as contemplated in regulation 19(1)(b);</li> <li>(ii) revised environmental impact assessment report or EMPr as</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— If the revised reports are required to undergo additional review, the requirements of Regulation 41(5) will be followed.</li> </ul>



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<p>contemplated in regulation 23(1)(b); or</p> <p>(iii) environmental impact assessment report and EMPr as contemplated in regulation 21(2)(d);</p> <p>may be obtained, the manner in which and the person to whom representations on these reports or plans may be made and the date on which such representations are due.</p>	
<p>41 (6) When complying with this regulation, the person conducting the public participation process must ensure that—</p> <p>(a) information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application or proposed application is made available to potential interested and affected parties; and</p> <p>(b) participation by potential or registered interested and affected parties is facilitated in such a manner that all potential or registered interested and affected parties are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the application or proposed application.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&amp;APs, and that they are afforded the opportunity to participate in the projects, as well as submit comments and raise any concerns and/or issues with regards to the proposed projects.</li> <li>— A Notification Letter and BID will be compiled to provide preliminary information regarding the project and its location, as well as to invite comments from I&amp;APs during the 30-day public review period of the Draft Reports.</li> <li>— <u>All registered I&amp;APs will be included in any communication regarding the application processes for the projects throughout the respective S&amp;EIA and BA processes.</u></li> </ul>
<p>41 (7) Where an environmental authorisation is required in terms of these Regulations and an authorisation, permit or licence is required in terms of a specific environmental management Act, the public participation process contemplated in this Chapter may be combined with any public participation processes prescribed in terms of a specific environmental management Act, on condition that all relevant authorities agree to such combination of processes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Applications for the proposed projects will also be made under the National Water Act (NWA), through a Water Use Licence Application (WULA) or General Authorisation (GA) processes as applicable for the purposes of Water Use Authorisation under the National Water Act. A Public Participation Process (PPP) in terms of the EIA Regulations (contained herein) and the NWA will be undertaken.</li> </ul>
<p>(42) A proponent or applicant must ensure the opening and maintenance of a register of interested and affected parties and submit such a register to the competent authority, which register must contain the names, contact details and addresses of—</p> <p>(a) all persons who, as a consequence of the public participation process conducted in respect of that application, have submitted written comments or attended meetings with the proponent, applicant or EAP;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Stakeholders with a potential interest in the Project will be identified at the outset of the Project and will include all relevant authorities (government departments and the local and district municipalities), relevant conservation bodies and non-governmental organisations (NGO's), as well as landowners, neighbouring landowners and the surrounding community.</li> <li>— <u>This stakeholder database will be updated on an ongoing basis as new stakeholders request to be registered.</u></li> <li>— All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the EIA and BA processes.</li> <li>— The EAP will continue to ensure that individuals/organisations from referrals and networking are notified of the proposed project.</li> </ul>





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<p>(b) all persons who have requested the proponent or applicant, in writing, for their names to be placed on the register; and</p> <p>(c) all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates.</p>	
<p>(43) (1) A registered interested and affected party is entitled to comment, in writing, on all reports or plans submitted to such party during the public participation process contemplated in these Regulations and to bring to the attention of the proponent or applicant any issues which that party believes may be of significance to the consideration of the application, provided that the interested and affected party discloses any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which that party may have in the approval or refusal of the application.</p> <p>(2) In order to give effect to section 240 of the Act, any State department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment must be requested, subject to regulation 7(2), to comment within 30 days.</p>	<p>All Draft Reports will be made available to all stakeholders for a 30-day comment period. Strict adherence to all COVID-19 protocols and regulations as well as best practice measures will be ensured throughout PPP. As a result, the Draft Reports will be made available to stakeholders as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.</li> <li>— On the WSP website <u>and on a data free website</u> for download.</li> <li>— Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices</li> <li>— CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.</li> <li>— Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.</li> </ul> <p>Comment forms (<u>in a bound booklet</u>) will be placed with the Draft Reports at the abovementioned public places. <u>These booklets will be collected at the end of the public review period as required. In addition, the contact details of EAP will be provided should the I&amp;AP wish to contact the EAP directly.</u></p> <p><i>Note: Should the COVID-19 level be level 3 or higher at time of disclosure, WSP will confirm with the local libraries as to whether they are open and able to accept documents for public review. <u>In the event that public places are not available due to COVID restrictions WSP will provide the Local Ward Councillors with copies of the reports to ensure that I&amp;APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&amp;APs.</u></i></p> <p>A Comment and Response Report (CRR) will be generated for inclusion in Final Reports for consideration by the competent authority.</p>
<p>44(1) The applicant must ensure that the comments of interested and affected parties are recorded in reports and plans and that such written comments, including responses to such comments and records of meetings, are attached to the reports and plans that are submitted to the competent authority in terms of these Regulations.</p> <p>(2) Where a person desires but is unable to access written comments as contemplated in subregulation (1) due to—</p> <p>(a) a lack of skills to read or write;</p> <p>(b) disability; or</p>	<p>All I&amp;APs will be able to submit comments directly to the EAP <u>in the following ways:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— <u>Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email</u></li> <li>— <u>Written comments via email or fax</u></li> <li>— <u>Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and</u></li> <li>— <u>Via Whatsapp or SMS.</u></li> </ul> <p>Comments received telephonically will be transcribed and captured as formal comments in the Comments and Responses Report.</p> <p>I&amp;APs that do not have access to internet or emails will also be able to submit via the consultation process that includes engaging with the Ward Councillor and/or Community Representative.</p>





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<p>(c) any other disadvantage; reasonable alternative methods of recording comments must be provided for.</p>	
<p>Regulation 44 (2) The applicant must, in writing, within 14 days of the date of the decision on the application ensure that—</p> <p>(a) all registered interested and affected parties are provided with access to the decision and the reasons for such decision; and</p> <p>(b) the attention of all registered interested and affected parties is drawn to the fact that an appeal may be lodged against the decision in terms of the National Appeal Regulations, if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision.</p>	<p>Written notification of the decision on the EAs will be sent to all registered I&amp;APs, as well as communicated via Ward Councillors to I&amp;APs that do not have access to internet and emails. Registered I&amp;APs will be informed of the appeal procedure as well as advised that copies of the EA decisions can be provided on request.</p>

*Table 2: Meetings*

**PROJECT MEETINGS**

<p>Pre-Application Meeting</p>	<p>A pre-application consultation with DFFE was held on 19 October 2021 to discuss the proposed projects, proposed approach, and confirm the processes.</p>
<p>Public and/or Focus Group Meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <u>Virtual focus group meetings will be held in each phase of the project.</u></li> <li>– <u>In the event that face-to-face meetings are requested, these will be arranged on a case by case basis, taking into account the relevant COVID restrictions at the time of the request.</u></li> </ul>

Mqokeli, Babalwa

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From: Mahlatse Shubane <MSHUBANE@dffe.gov.za>  
Sent: Thursday, 18 November 2021 08:43  
To: Strong, Ashlea  
Cc: Olivia Letlalo; Thando Booii; Makhosi Yeni; Thembisile Hlatshwayo; Gideon Raath; Zwivhuya Mutele; Sean Maphosa; Mqokeli, Babalwa  
Subject: Approval of PP plan 2021-10-0008  
Attachments: 41103247\_20211117\_Enertrag\_Camden\_Public Participation Plan\_Final DFFE Submission.pdf  
  
Importance: High

Dear Ashlea,

The revised Public Participation (PP) Plan received by this Department on 18 November 2021, refers.

Based on the information provided this Department decided to approve the PP Plan for the proposed project. You may proceed with the PP process in accordance with tasks contemplated in the PP plan. Should you wish to deviate from the submitted PP Plan, the amended PP Plan must be submitted to the Department for approval prior commencement.

A copy of the PP Plan and this approval must be submitted as part of the application form when the application is lodged.

Also note that submission of a PP Plan and approval thereof do not negate your responsibility to comply with the requirements for public participation in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.

It is noted that a written notification will be sent out in IsiZulu, Afrikaans and English as well as advert will be published in IsiZulu, Afrikaans and English. Kindly ensure that if there are any other languages apart from IsiZulu, Afrikaans and English (for instance, Sotho and Tsonga), these languages must also be catered for when notifying the Interested and affected parties of the proposed project as well as newspaper adverts.

Best regards,

**MAHLATSE SHUBANE**

Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

Integrated Environmental Authorisations

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 APASA Registered EAP (Registration Number 2016/21)  ACNASP Registered Scientist (Registration Number 400325/14)

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# APPENDIX

## **D** ORIGINAL COMMENTS

**Maharaj, Jashmika**

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**From:** Personal details have been redacted as required by the POPI Act  
**Sent:**  
**To:**  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Fantastic thank you Jashmika!

Gideon has been added as an I&AP to our applicable EA application processes

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**From:** Maharaj, Jashmika <jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com>

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**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good Day Ryan,

Thank you for your interest in the project. We will add you to our database as an I&AP.

Attached is the request shapefiles. Please note that these are corridors, so the entire corridor route is applicable; and the preferred substation sites have been approved.

Please can you add Gideon Raath to your stakeholder database as an I&AP for all application processes in the vicinity of Ermelo. His contact details are below. Thank you.

**Mr. Gideon Raath**  
Senior Project Developer

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Kind regards,



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**Subject:** FW: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Dear Jashmika

Please may you register AMDA Developments with my signature below as an I&AP for all application processes in the vicinity of Ermelo - we are developing Camden WEF with EDF, neighbouring the Enertrag Camden I WEF.

Please may you also provide a kmz of the most recent proposed MTS location to facilitate our grid planning, at this stage to confirm the corridor to be assessed by the environmental specialists for potential connection to the MTS, as we initiate our EA application process.

Thanks very much

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**From:** Strong, Ashlea <[Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 9:34 AM

**To:** Strong, Ashlea <[Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)>

**Cc:** Maharaj, Jashmika <[jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com](mailto:jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com)>; Gideon Raath <[Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com](mailto:Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com)>

**Subject:** NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

**EXTERNAL MAIL**

Dear Stakeholders

**NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development.

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst other the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the cluster two up to 132kV overhead powerlines, substations and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations includes the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility and the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility both located on Portions 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322.

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

**DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD**

The Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be made available from WSP on request and/or at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **11 May 2023 to 12 June 2023**.

Area	Venue	Street Address	Contact No
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	Thusville Public Library	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
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Kind regards



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**Sent:** Thursday, 11 May 2023 12:38  
**To:** Strong, Ashlea  
**Cc:** Maharaj, Jashmika; Gideon Raath  
**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Afternoon Madam

Noted

Kind Regards



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**From:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 9:33 AM  
**To:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>  
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**Subject:** NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Dear Commenting Authority

**NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA**

Notice is given in terms of:

- Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)
- Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)
- Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development.

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst other the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the

cluster two up to 132kV overhead powerlines, substations and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations includes the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility and the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility both located on Portions 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322.

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

#### **DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD**

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- One Drive ( [Camden Public Review](#))
- [WSP website \(https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents\)](https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents)
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**Maharaj, Jashmika**

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**Subject:** RE: CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA  
**Attachments:** WSP Camden renewable project Register as IAP.pdf

Good day Jashmika

Attached a letter with Eskom Generation Camden Power Station information. Kindly add us to your email list as an I&AP

Thanks in advance

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**From:** Maharaj, Jashmika <jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com>

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**Subject:** [CAUTION:EXTERNAL EMAIL] RE: CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good Day Erin,

Thank you for your response.

Please note that to be registered you must provide me with the details of the individual/ organisation that wants to be registered.

I will then add the details to our database so you will be kept updated on the project and will receive the necessary documents.

I hope this provides clarity.

Kind regards,



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**To:** Maharaj, Jashmika <jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com>

**Subject:** CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good morning Jashmika

Kindly indicate the procedure we need to follow to register as an interested and affected party for the abovementioned development.

This will for Camden Power Station not as an individual

Kind regards

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## PER E-MAIL

Dear Ms. Strong

### COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY 132 KV GRID CONNECTION NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

The Screening Tool and the findings of the site verification have identified the proposed area to have a very high sensitivity to terrestrial biodiversity due to the presence of areas included within the project area: Endangered Ecosystem, Vulnerable Ecosystem, Langcarel Nature reserve, FEPA sub-catchment, Strategic Water Source Area, and/or Protected Areas Expansion Strategy. The report further states that the Langcarel Nature Reserve is not being managed as a protected area and has undergone similar levels of degradation as surrounding areas, primarily due to overgrazing, but also partially due to alien invasive plants. In addition, no conservation management or activities were evident on site during the field assessment.

It is further noted that the project site is not located in an Important Bird Area (IBA), but it is located between three IBAs. The closest IBA being Grasslands IBA SA020, which is located 6-7km to the east of the site. Due to the close proximity of the site to the IBAs, it is possible that the proposed project could impact on some of the trigger species in the IBA which are powerline sensitive. It is therefore recommended that Anti-collision devices such as bird flappers must be installed where power lines cross avifaunal corridors (e.g., grasslands, rivers, wetlands, and dams).

Furthermore, four alternative routes have been identified for the powerline corridor, two alternatives for collector substation, and two alternatives for the BESS & substations. The transmission route for alternative 3 and 4 crosses two tributaries of the Vaal River and secondary roads and two farm roads. The collector & substation 1 is located within high ecological sensitivity. While collector & substation alternative 2 is located within medium-low ecological sensitivity. The BESS & substation alternative is



located within high ecological sensitivity, while BESS & substation alternative 2 is located within low ecological sensitivity, with a small portion of the infrastructure touching on high ecological sensitivity. The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation is in support of Alternative 2 for the transmission line as it runs parallel to the existing regional dirt road and the alternative 2 for both the collector substation and BESS & substation. However, no pylons must be placed in areas delineated as very high sensitivity wetlands (No-Go Areas).

In conclusion, the Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA for review and queries should be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email; [BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za](mailto:BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za) for the attention of Mr. Seoka Lekota.

Yours faithfully



**Mr. Seoka Lekota**

**Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation  
Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment**

**Date: 12/06/2023**





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## **PER MAIL / E-MAIL**

Dear Ashlea Strong

### **COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR GRID CONNECTION UP TO 132KV AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NEAR ERMELO WITHIN MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**

The draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) dated May 2023 and received by this Competent Authority (CA) on 11 May 2023, refers.

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

#### **Specific Comments**

- It has been noted on Appendix 13, that the letters dated 20 June 2022 and 22 August 2022, both from Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA) indicate that the proposed development is located within the Protected Area National Park, Nature Reserve and Protected Area Environment: Modified and Natural, however, there is an ongoing process to de-proclaim the Langcarel Nature Reserve. Therefore, subject to the successful conclusion of this process, a Section 50 approval is not required for this project. Considering the above, you are requested to submit the letter from MTPA regarding the withdrawal of the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve to the CA and it must form part of the final BAR.

#### **Application form and Listed Activities**

- The CA has noted from the application form that the Applicant is ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd, while the Company/trading name is Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd. You are advised to provide clarity if the EA should be issued to ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd or Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd.
- In addition, you are requested to provide the details of the responsible contact official from the Msukaligwa Local Municipality.
- It has been noted that the exclusions on the triggered listed activities applied for are not included. Therefore, you are advised to include in the amended application form as well as final BAR all the relevant exclusions related to the listed activities applied for. For instance, activity 11 of Listing Notice (LN) 1 have been applied for, however the exclusions have not been quoted in the application form.

- It has been noted that words such as **up to** has been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project to which the applicable listed activity relates for activity 11 of LN 1. Therefore, you are requested to provide the exact capacity of the proposed grid connection applied for.
- For activity 12 of LN 1, it has been noted that the details regarding the physical footprint of the infrastructure in square metres that will be constructed within the watercourse or within 32m of the watercourse has not been indicated in the project description. Therefore, you are requested to provide the aforesaid information to determine the applicability of this listed activity to the proposed development.
- Regarding activity 27 of LN 1, you are requested to indicate in the project description, the type of indigenous vegetation that will be cleared and the exact size of the area.
- It is noted that activity 30 of Listing Notice 1 has been applied for and the motivation is that the facility infrastructure is located within, and will require vegetation clearance or disturbance of, Eastern Highveld Grassland, etc. It is unclear as to which process or activity identified in terms of Section 53(1) of NEM:BA is required. As such, you are requested to clarify or provide information regarding the process or activity identified in terms of NEM:BA when describing the project.
- Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus is on the applicant and the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities are included in the application and the final BAR. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.
- If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final BAR, an amended application form must be submitted for final review and decision making. Please note that the Department's has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>

### **Screening report and specialist assessment**

- It has been noted that the screening report for the abovementioned application has been included in the draft BAR. However, there is no compiler signature on the aforesaid report. Therefore, you are advised to sign the abovementioned report to be submitted with the final BAR.
- Considering that the proposal entails the construction of the powerline (amongst other infrastructure), it has been noted that the map produced in the screening report does not show the powerline route/corridor, therefore, you are advised to prepare a screening tool map that shows the area to be affected by the preferred powerline and its alternatives. In addition, ensure that the themes depicted through the powerline route/corridor are highlighted in the amended screening tool report and are assessed accordingly as per the requirements of the Protocols.
- According to the screening tool report included in the abovementioned draft BAR, paleontology theme, terrestrial theme and agriculture theme are all very high, animal species themes is high, and plant species theme is medium, while civil aviation theme, defense theme, Archaeological and Cultural Heritage theme are all low, in terms of sensitivities. Therefore, you are advised to ensure that specialists undertaken for the proposed development considered the Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes in terms of Sections 24(5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, when applying for Environmental Authorisation, which were published in Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020 (i.e. "the Protocols"), and in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 are included in the final BAR. In addition, you are advised to submit a site verification report and motivation for the exclusions of any specialist studies identified by the screening tool.
- In addition to the above, you are hereby drawn to the following:
  - The Specialist Declaration of interest forms must be attached for all specialist studies to be conducted in the final BAR. The forms are available on Department's website (please use the Department's template).
  - Specialist studies to be conducted must provide a detailed description of their methodology, as well as indicate the locations and descriptions of proposed rehabilitation, and all other proposed structures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisations.

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- The specialist studies must also provide a detailed description of all limitations to their studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation, will not be accepted.
- Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.
- Please note further that the protocols require certain specialists' to be registered with SACNASP. Refer to the relevant protocols in this regard.
- Please include a table in the final BAR summarising the specialist studies required by the Screening Tool, a column indicating whether these studies will be conducted or not, and motivation if any study will not be undertaken. Please note that if any of the specialists' studies and requirements recommended in the Department's Screening Tool are not commissioned, motivation for such must be provided in the report, as per the requirements of the Protocols.
- Should it be determined that there is a need for additional specialist studies to be undertaken based on the outcome of public participation, these must be commissioned and be included in the final BAR reports for public comment

### **Alternatives**

- Please provide a description of any identified alternatives for the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable, including the advantages and disadvantages that the proposed activity or alternatives will have on the environment and on the community that may be affected by the activity as per Appendix 1 of GN R.982 of 2014 (as amended).
- In addition, you are advised to comply with the requirement of Appendix 1 (3) (1) (h) (i) (iv) (v) (vi) (vii) (viii) and (x) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.
- Alternatively, you should submit written proof of an investigation and motivation if no reasonable or feasible alternatives exist in terms of Appendix 1.
- A description of the process followed to reach the preferred alternative must be incorporated into the final BAR.

### **Layout & Sensitivity Maps**

- A copy of the layout and environmental sensitivity map must be submitted with the final BAR and all available biodiversity information must be used in the finalisation of these maps.
- The layout map must indicate the following:
  - The powerline corridor.
  - All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g., roads (existing and proposed).
  - Permanent laydown area footprint.
  - Substation(s) and/or transformer(s) sites including their entire footprint.
  - Connection routes (including pylon positions) to the distribution/transmission network; and
  - All existing infrastructure on the site.
- The environmental sensitivity map must indicate the following:
  - The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g., CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected.
  - Buffer areas; and
  - All "no-go" areas.

### **Participation Process**

- Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the final BAR. This includes but not limited to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment (DFFE): Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness Directorate, Biodiversity Planning and Conservation ([BCAdmin@environment.gov.za](mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za)); Mpumalanga Province Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA), Mpumalanga Tourism and Park Agency (MTPA), South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), South African Civil Aviation Authority, Endangered Wildlife Trust, Birdlife South Africa, Department of Human Settlement, Water and Sanitation, South African National Defence Force, Local interest groups, for example: Councillors and Rate Payers associations; Surrounding landowners, Farmer Organisations, Environmental Groups and NGOs; and Grassroots communities and structures as well as the affected district and local municipalities.
- Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final BAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.
- The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended and the approved Public Participation Plan.
- The comments and response trail report (C&R) must be submitted with the final BAR. The C&R report must incorporate all comments for this development. The C&R report must be a separate document from the main report and the format must be in the table format as indicated in Annexure 1 of this comments letter.
- Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the BAR from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department's comments) in respect of the proposed development are adequately addressed. Comments made by I&APs must be comprehensively captured (copy verbatim if required) and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&AP's comments.

### **Cumulative Impact**

- The cumulative impacts of the proposed development must be undertaken as per the requirements of the EIA Regulations.

### **Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)**

- Ensure that two generic EMPrs are submitted for the management of impacts and outcomes of both the powerline and substation that will be constructed as part of this development. Please ensure the generic EMPr comply with the GN 435 of March 2022.

### **General**

You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 19(1)(a) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that: Where basic assessment must be applied to an application, the applicant must, within 90 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority -

(a) a basic assessment report, inclusive of specialist reports, an EMPr, and where applicable a closure plan, which have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which 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 BAR 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 19(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 basic assessment report, inclusive of specialist reports an EMPr, and where applicable, a closure plan, 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 basic assessment report or EMPr or, where applicable, a closure plan, which changes or information was not contained in the reports or plans consulted on during the initial public participation process contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(a) and that the revised reports or, EMPr or, where applicable, a closure plan will be subjected to another public participation process of at least 30 days”.

Should you fail to meet any of the timeframes stipulated in Regulation 19 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: 09/06/2023**

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**Annexure 1**

1. Format for Comments and Response Report:

Date of comment, format of comment name of organisation/I&AP,	Comment	Response from EAP/Applicant/Specialist
27/03/2021 Email Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment: National Infrastructure Projects (Joe Soap)	Please record C&R trail report in this format  Please update the contact details of the provincial environmental authority	EAP: (Noted) The C&R trail report has been updated into the desired format, see Appendix K  EAP: Details of provincial authority have been updated, see page 16 of the Application form

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report, and others that have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed and included in the final BAR.

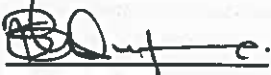
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Please do not hesitate to contact this office if there are any enquiries.

Sincerely,



**Ms. S.B. Mbuyane**

**DD: Environmental Impact Management**

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## Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(4), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd

**ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ESA) (the Developer) is proposing the development of a Camden Renewable Energy Complex comprising various projects within the vicinity of the Camden Power Station in Mpumalanga. The Complex consists of eight distinct projects referred to as: - Camden I Wind Energy Facility (WEF) (up to 200MW): Subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2137); ? Camden I Wind Grid Connection (up to 132kV): Subject to a Basic Assessment (BA) process; ? Camden Grid Connection and Collector substation (up to 400kV): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134); - Camden I Solar Energy Facility (SEF) (up to 100MW): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2136); - Camden I Solar Grid Connection (up to 132kV): Subject to a BA process; (this report & application) - Camden II WEF (up to 200MW): Subject to a S&EIR process (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2135); - Camden II WEF up to 132kV Grid Connection: Subject to a BA process; and - Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility and associated infrastructure: Subject to a S&EIR process (MDARDLEA Ref: 1/3/1/16/1G-242). The Complex (except for the Green Hydrogen and Ammonia project) is being developed in the context of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy's (DMRE Integrated Resource Plan, and the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPP). The proposed Camden I SEF will be connected to the nearby Camden Collector substation (which in turn will connect to the Camden Power Station), through an up to 132kV powerline (either single or double circuit) between the grid connection substation portion (immediately adjacent the Camden I Solar PV on-site IPP substation portion) and that of the Camden Collector substation. The focus of this Application is the proposed Camden up to 132kV Grid Connection powerline and associated infrastructure. The proposed project entails the construction of an up to 132kV Grid connection overhead powerline including associated infrastructure, from the Camden I Solar PV Facility to the nearby Camden Collector substation (which in turn will connect to the Camden Power Station). The powerline will be approximately 5km in length, depending on the authorized location of the collector substation. The onsite grid connection substation will consist of high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, etc. The area for the onsite substation will be up to 1.5ha. The up to 132kV powerline and substation will have a 500m corridor (250m either side of the centre line, and 250m around the entire**

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perimeter of the proposed substation sites), to allow for micro-siting and avoidance of sensitive features where possible. This corridor, as opposed to the line routing, is proposed for authorisation. This application includes the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at the Collector Substation (i.e. the termination works). The proposed project will comprise the following key components: - The grid connection substation (adjacent the IPP substation), consisting of a high voltage substation yard to allow for multiple (up to) 132kV feeder bays and transformers, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, access roads, lighting and fencing; - Construction of an up to 132kV power line (either single or double circuit) between the grid connection substation portion and that of the Camden Collector substation; and - Termination works, comprising the necessary up to 132kV voltage electrical components required for connection at and into the Collector Substation. - Existing or new access and service roads (utilising existing roads where possible, with new roads developed where there are no existing roads to be utilised).

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Enertrag South Africa (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed grid connection for the Camden 1 PV near Ermelo, Mpumalanga Province.

A draft Basic Assessment Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include the construction of 132KV powerlines (four alternative routes have been assessed), a substation and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (two alternative locations have been assessed) and a collector and switching substation (two alternative locations have been assessed), construction clearance, control building, telecommunication infrastructure, oil dams, workshop and office area, fencing, access and internal roads.

Prof Marion Bamford and Beyond Heritage (Pty) Ltd was appointed to provide heritage specialist input into the EA process as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

*Bamford, M. 2022. Palaeontological Impact Assessment for the proposed Grid Connection for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility (up to 210MW), west of Camden, Mpumalanga Province*

The proposed development area is underlain by the potentially fossiliferous Vryheid Formation that may contain fossil plant remains and the non-fossiliferous Jurassic dolerite. No fossils were identified as part of the site visit. A Fossil Chance Finds Protocol is recommended to be implemented.

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*Van der Walt, J. 2022. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Camden I Solar up to 132kV Grid Connection, Mpumalanga Province*

A total of three heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. These include built structures of low and medium heritage significance. Other heritage resources were identified outside of the proposed development footprint such as built structures, however, will not be impacted by the development.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- Implementation of a Chance Find Procedure for the Project (as outlined in Section 10.2);
- The study area should be monitored by the ECO during construction;
- Recorded heritage features should be indicated on development plans and avoided with a 30 m buffer; and
- The final alignment should be subjected to a heritage walkthrough.

## 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 BAR and EMPr:

- 38(4)a – The SAHRA has no objections to the proposed development;
- 38(4)b – The recommendations of the specialists and in the EMPr are supported and must be adhered to. Further additional specific conditions are provided for the development as follows:
  - A report providing the results of the walkdown must be submitted to SAHRA for review and comment prior to the construction phase. No construction may commence without comments from SAHRA;
  - SAHRA reserves the right to provided additional conditions based on the results of the walkdown report;
  - SAHRA reserves the right to object to the proposed development based on the results of the walkdown report;
- 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 (Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660/ [nhiggitt@sahra.org.za](mailto:nhiggitt@sahra.org.za)) must be alerted as per



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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 DAU (Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660), 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 of the NHRA regarding offences;
- 38(4)e – The following conditions apply with regards to the appointment of specialists:
- With reference to the mitigation work noted above, a qualified archaeologist must be appointed to undertake the work in terms of the permit applied for as noted above;
- 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 BAR and EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes;
- The decision regarding the EA 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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## ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/615928>  
(DFFE, Ref: )

## 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.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.

Mr. Jashmika Maharaj  
Consultant WSP in Africa  
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16 May 2023

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Reference: **CAM/ENV/05/2023**

Dear Mr. J. Maharaj

**RE: CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA – REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Eskom Holdings SOC Limited: Camden Power Station is situated near Ermelo, Mpumalanga and is coal fired power station that supply electricity to the national grid of South Africa. Camden Power Station adhere to the ISO 14001:2015 requirements and is certified as such.

In May 2023 we received an email about the proposed development of two grid connections for the Camden Renewable Energy Complex near Ermelo, Mpumalanga. Part of the requirements of the ISO14001 is to influence possible environmental activities that might have an impact on our daily aspects.

**2. REGISTER AS INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY**

In terms of ISO 14001:2015 Clause 4.2 Camden Power Station would like to register as an interested and affected party for the proposed development of two grid connections for the Camden Renewable Energy complex near Ermelo, Mpumalanga, and any other similar developments close to Camden Power Station. Below the required information you might need to register Camden Power Station as a registered interested and affected party:

Name of District Municipality	Gert Sibande DM
Name of Local Municipality	Msukaliqwa
Enterprise Name	Eskom Holdings SOC Limited
Trading as	Camden Power Station
Registered Address	Megawatt Park Maxwell Dr. Sunninghill Sandton
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Land use zoning	Heavy industry

## Maharaj, Jashmika

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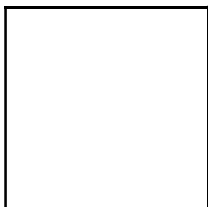
Thank you Frans for all your effort and input! It is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards  
Ashlea



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Dear Ashlea  
Thank you for this information. I did not receive the Camden 1 Solar OHPL and grid connection BAR . It was supposed to be assessed by someone else who took it. My apologies for my late response (Was send today) after I consulted with your website.  
Kind Regards  
Frans

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Good morning Frans

I think there has been a small misunderstanding – we definitely need your input on the Grid Connection for the SEF as this is an current application which is sitting with the DFFE and we are currently finalising the Final Basic Assessment for this project which is due for submission soon.

The EA I am referring to is for the actual Solar Energy and Wind Energy Facilities which received their EAs earlier this year. The Solar Energy Facility itself (excluding the grid connection) only affects portion 1 of Welgelegen 322.

The EAs for both projects where shared with you on 15 March 2023.



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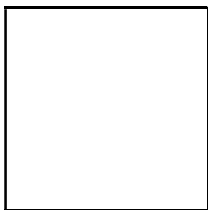
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Dear Ashlea

I will liaise with Robyn Luyt with regards to further commenting to this project because it seems to me if our comments are not needed . You stated that the condition is for construction to commence after de-proclamation is approved. You mentioned only portion 1 of Welgelegen 322 will be directly affected by deproclamation, what about portion 2. Your Camden SEF grid connection lie in both.

Furthermore I was not aware that DFFE has given a positive EA with the mentioned condition.

Can this document be forwarded to me.

Kind Regards

Frans

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Dear Frans

Thank you for your email below.

I am glad to hear you did receive the link to the documentation.

Just a quick note from my side – please be aware that DARDLEA is the commenting authority on the Camden I WEF and SEF Overhead Powerline (OHPL) Projects. The Competent Authority for both applications is the Nation Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE). Further to this the applications are not on hold. Both the Camden I SEF and WEF (the renewable facilities) have received their Environmental Authorisations (EA) from the DFFE. The “De-Proclamation” of the LangCarel Nature Reserve has been included as a condition of the EAs, as follows:

*34. Construction must only commence once the Protected Area status (Proclaimed Private Nature Reserve: Langcarel Private Nature Reserve) has been changed or deproclaimed for the directly affected properties (i.e., Portion 1 of Farm No. 322 Welgelegen).*

The ‘De-Proclamation / Withdrawal’ process is being managed by Mr Brian Morris (Manager, Protected Areas Expansion, MTPA). Mr Morris has been liaising directly with the Applicant in this regard and has informed the Applicant that the process will take approximately 5 – 6 months.

We look forward to receiving your comments on the Camden I SEF OHPL soon.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any further queries.

Kind regards



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Hi Jasmika, sorry, I did receive the link. All these power interruptions are a nuisance .  
Will contact you next week after Wednesday.

Regards  
Frans

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Jasmika

The documents on the Camden 1 WEF grid connection and facilities that you have received is the same document one the draft and the signed one the final.

I will enquire from the Lydenburg office if they have received the second Camden 1 ,Solar Energy Facility grid connections application or not.

You might as well send me the link again because I can't find it.

There is however another matter that you also must be aware of. The agreement between WSP and DARDLEA is that your application on Camden 1 WEF and SEF will be shelved until such time that the Langcarel Nature Reserve is de-proclaimed by the DFFE. I am not mandated to process that application to de- proclaim the Nature Reserve and is reluctant to assess applications within the Nature Reserve for approval until such time that the agreement comes into affect.

Hope you understand, I do not know the location of the proposed Camden 1 SEF grid connection and facilities until I see EMP.

Kind Regards  
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Hi Frans,

Thank you, I appreciate your response.

Please note that the documents for Camden I WEF (volumes 1-4 ) and SEF (volumes 1-3) were couriered together.

However, I have reattached our initial email with links to provide access to the information for the Camden 1 Solar Energy facility.

We also received two different comments for the WEF project (see attached) and I assumed one of them could potentially be for the SEF?

I hope you can assist, thank you.

Kind regards,



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Dear Jashmika, I cannot assess this document because I do not have it.

Sorry.

Regards

Frans

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Good day,

The email trail refers.

This is a kind follow up regarding the outstanding comment for the Camden 1 Solar Energy facility.

Please note that the final BA is due to the competent authority and we would like to include your comment.

Kind regards,



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Dear Khumbelo

Hope you are well.

The Camden REF documents that you have received, were they possibly the Camden Solar Energy facility ?

I have received volume 1 to 4 of the proposed Camden 1 Grid connections application but do not have the Camden 1 Solar facility proposal.

Kind Regards

Frans

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Good day,

Noted, thank you. We will await your response upon return.

Kind regards,



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Good day, I am currently on leave till 3 July.

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**Importance:** High

Good day,

This a kind follow up on the email below.

Your urgent response will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Kind regards,



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**From:** Maharaj, Jashmika

**Sent:** Thursday, June 15, 2023 9:44 AM

**To:** 'frans@mtpa.co.za' <[frans@mtpa.co.za](mailto:frans@mtpa.co.za)>

**Cc:** Strong, Ashlea <[Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)>

**Subject:** Ref: LU A23/3468 - RE NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA

**Importance:** High

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Kind regards,



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**From:** Maharaj, Jashmika  
**Sent:** Monday, 03 July 2023 13:12  
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**Cc:**  
**Subject:** RE: Ref: LU A23/3468 - RE NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA  
**Attachments:** \_MTPA\_LUA 23-3468.pdf; MTPA com. DEIA Camden 1 WEF and 132KVA grid connection WSP 3468.doc

Good Day Mr. Krige,

I trust you are well.

The email trail refers. Please can you provide clarity on my previous request.

I have received the attached letters for the project but both letters refer to the Camden I WEF. Will there be a letter for the Camden I SEF project?

Kindly note that commenting period lapsed on the 12 June 2023, therefore if a response will be issued we do require it as soon as possible.

Many thanks,



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**From:** Maharaj, Jashmika  
**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2023 1:11 PM  
**To:** Frans Krige <Frans.Krige@mtpa.co.za>  
**Cc:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Ref: LU A23/3468 - RE NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA

Good day,

Noted, thank you. We will await your response upon return.

Kind regards,



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**Subject:** RE: Ref: LU A23/3468 - RE NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO MPUMALANGA



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**Importance:** High

Good day,

This a kind follow up on the email below.

Your urgent response will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Kind regards,



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RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR  
THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good day

This email is an acknowledgement of receipt for your enquiry.

Please note that in line with requirements of Section 29 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act (Act No 16 of 2013) read with Section 3 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (Act No 3 of 2000) SANRAL have 30 days to acknowledge receipt of your application and 90 days to evaluate and provide response.

Should you not receive any response within 120 days, kindly follow up on the enquiry by responding to Jan Oliver who will be dealing with it and will convert back to you.

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Tx and Regards  
Ria

## OFFICE OF THE CEO

Ref: LUA 23/3469

Unit: LUA/SS

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Attention: Ashlea Strong  
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Fax: 0866067121

Email: [Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)

Dear Me Strong

**SUBJECT: THE MTPA COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY OHPL GRID CONNECTION AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES FOR THE ENERTRAG – CAMDEN I SOLAR (RF) (PTY)LTD PROJECT NEAR ERMELO IN MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. WSP REF 41103247.**

With reference to your correspondence reference WPS ref: Project no: 41103247 of date May 2023 our comments:

### **Purpose of the Overhead Power line and connection grid facilities.**

The purpose of the OHPL is to connect the Proposed Camden I SEF to the national grid. Therefore, the OHPL is required to be located between the grid on-site IPP substation for the solar facility and that of the Camden Collector substation. No alternative location for the proposed Project is deemed viable.

*It must be noted that the preferred options outlined are linked to the approved 400kV collector substation: (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134) as well as the approved Camden I SEF IPP Substation (DFFE Ref:14/12/16/3/3/2/2136).*

The MTPA is concerned that an EA has been obtained by DFFE for the Camden 1 Solar RF with the condition that no construction can take place until the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve has been deproclaimed without providing the MTPA LUA Unit this crucial information in writing. It is not clear if the whole Langcarel N/R and or both portions 1 and portions 2 of the farm Welgelegen 322 IS will be

deproclaimed. It is indicated in the BAR that the facilities will be constructed over both portions 1 and portions 2. (Langcarel Private Nature Reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61)

With regards to the MTPA, MBSP biodiversity assessment maps attached, figure 1 ,2 and 3 that includes the Terrestrial, Freshwater biodiversity assessments as well as the Land cover map, it is provided to assist the planners to avoid the following ecological sensitive habitats and indicates the degraded areas that is regarded as the preferential development sites.

1. The PA area to be deproclaimed for this development must be established and finalised.
2. CBA terrestrial irreplaceable areas must be avoided.
3. The IBA areas and the risks and mitigation involved must be acknowledged.
4. Wetlands must be delineated with a 100 meter buffer and avoided.
5. Where ever wetland and river crossings is needed the EIA regulations must be followed.
6. The developer should take note of the National Strategic Water Source Area and the implications of developing in such an area.
7. The CBA river must be delineated with a 1km buffer and avoided.
8. The old lands and degraded areas are regarded as preferential development areas.

Take note of the DFFE screening tool report that indicates a very high sensitivity rating for Aquatic biodiversity and Terrestrial Biodiversity themes amongst others that requires thorough onsite specialist assessments. The MTPA insist that the proposal to do another site inspection during the growing season on the development footprint before any construction commences, is done. All the Conservation important species should be rescued by specialists and successfully reintroduced. The necessary removal permits should be obtained and produced on request.

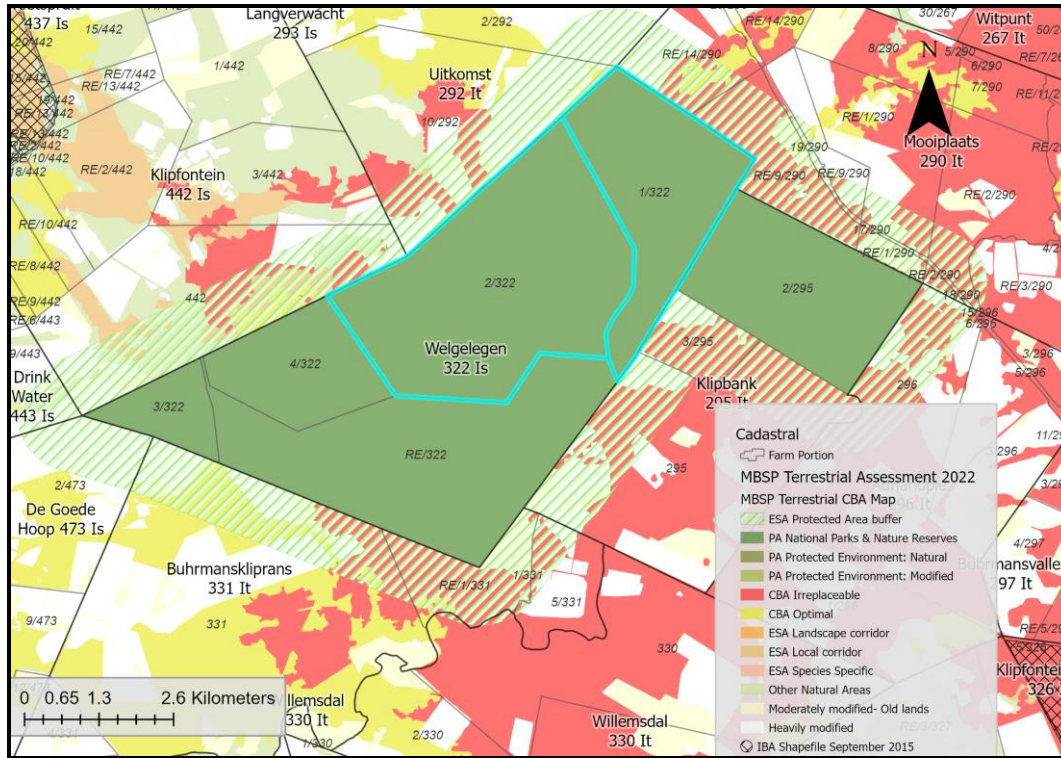
The MBSP maps provided also indicates the BirdlifeSA Important Bird Areas Situated on both sides of the project area. The power lines and grid connections must be properly marked with bird flappers or any improved technical deterrents to avoid collisions or poles being used to roost on.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if there are any enquiries.

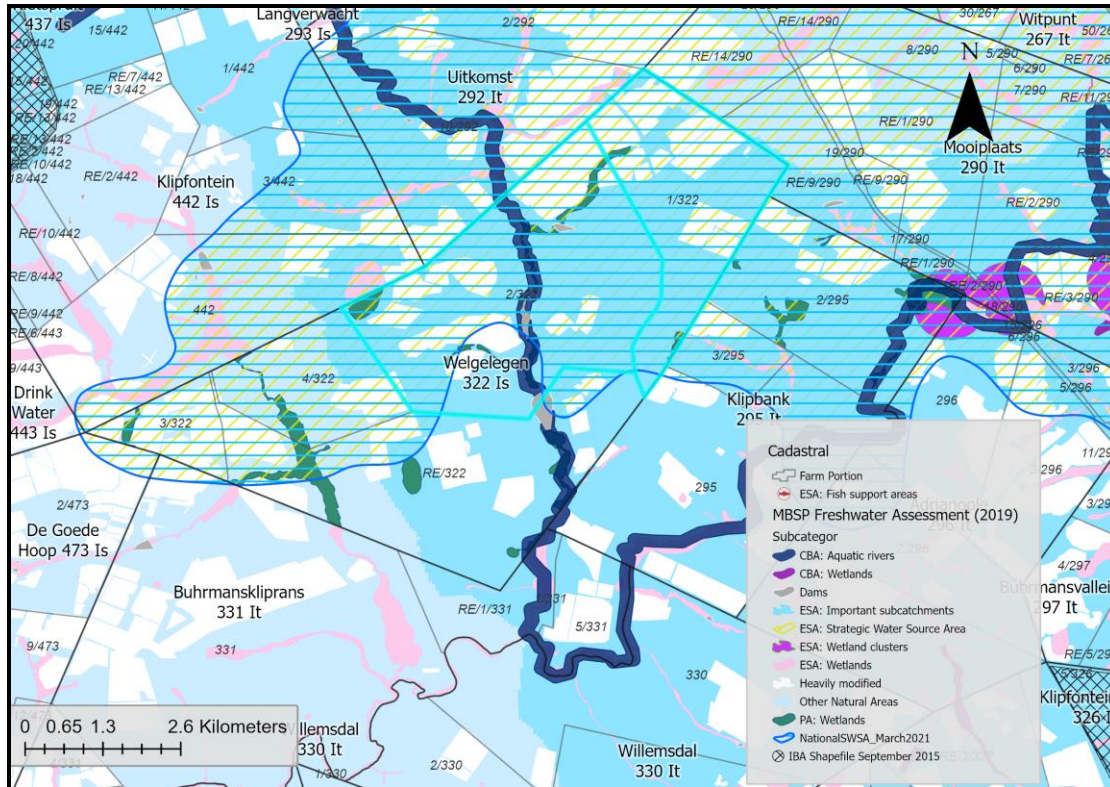
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**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
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**Figure 1. MBSP based terrestrial biodiversity map of the locality of the Camden I SEF OHPL project area as proposed.**

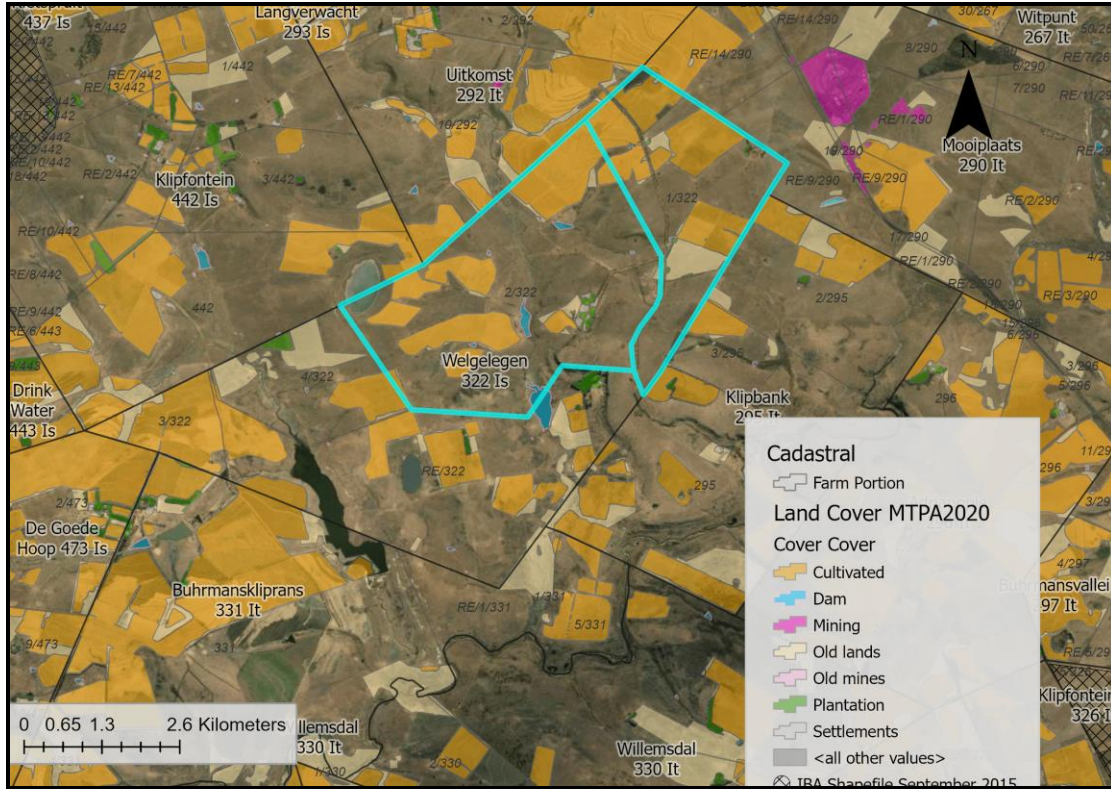
- 1. No facilities to be constructed until the approval of the deproclamation is finalised.**
- 2. No development within CBA irreplaceable areas.**
- 3. Development permissible within CBA optimal areas under certain conditions.**



**Figure 2. MBSP based freshwater biodiversity map.**

- 1. Avoid the Aquatic FEPA Critical biodiversity river with a 1 kilometer buffer.**
- 2. Avoid the ESA wetlands and pans with 100 meter buffers.**
- 3. Maintain the ESA National Strategic Water Source Area (SWSA) in a natural state without lowering its PES and the water quality and quantity.**





**Figure 3. Land cover assessment indicating the degraded areas (Preferred development areas).**

**Maharaj, Jashmika**

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**From:** Strong, Ashlea  
**Sent:** Friday, 09 June 2023 12:29  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** [Redacted] DATE  
**Tracking:** [Redacted]

Maharaj, Jashmika Delivered: 2023/06/09 12:30

Hi there

Done:



I marked both Cases as submitted again

Kind regards



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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 9, 2023 10:12 AM  
**To:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Enertrag - Camden II Overhead Powerline - UPDATE

Dear Ashlea

Thank you for your email. Would it be possible to conduct the field work Monday and Tuesday?

Also we received a message from Natasha Higgitt at SAHRA, she requested that the Heritage register (Appendix 1) should be uploaded to Case ID 21034 and 21037, can you please upload the attached document to the cases, as we cannot access the cases from our side?

Kind regards

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On Thu, 1 Jun 2023 at 14:29, Strong, Ashlea <[Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)> wrote:

Good morning All

I trust that you are all well.

We have received notification that our additional budget request for the update of the Camden II Overhead powerline has been approved – we are just waiting for the formal agreement. We will therefore send through your Sub-Con agreement VO's as soon as we get the formal appointment.

However, in the interest of saving time and to avoid any delays – please can you urgently have a look at your site visit requirements and let me know what dates you wish to undertake any additional field work – preferably as soon as possible. I will need your dates so that I can get the client to confirm and arrange access with the landowners.

Attached please find the Preferred route and the alternatives that need to be assessed.

Please provide me with a list of any additional information that you may require so that I can source it from the client ASAP.

Please specifically note in your reports that the IPP and common collector substations are already approved – herewith the relevant information for your information.

**Common collector substation – DFFE Ref: 14-12-16-3-3-2-2134**

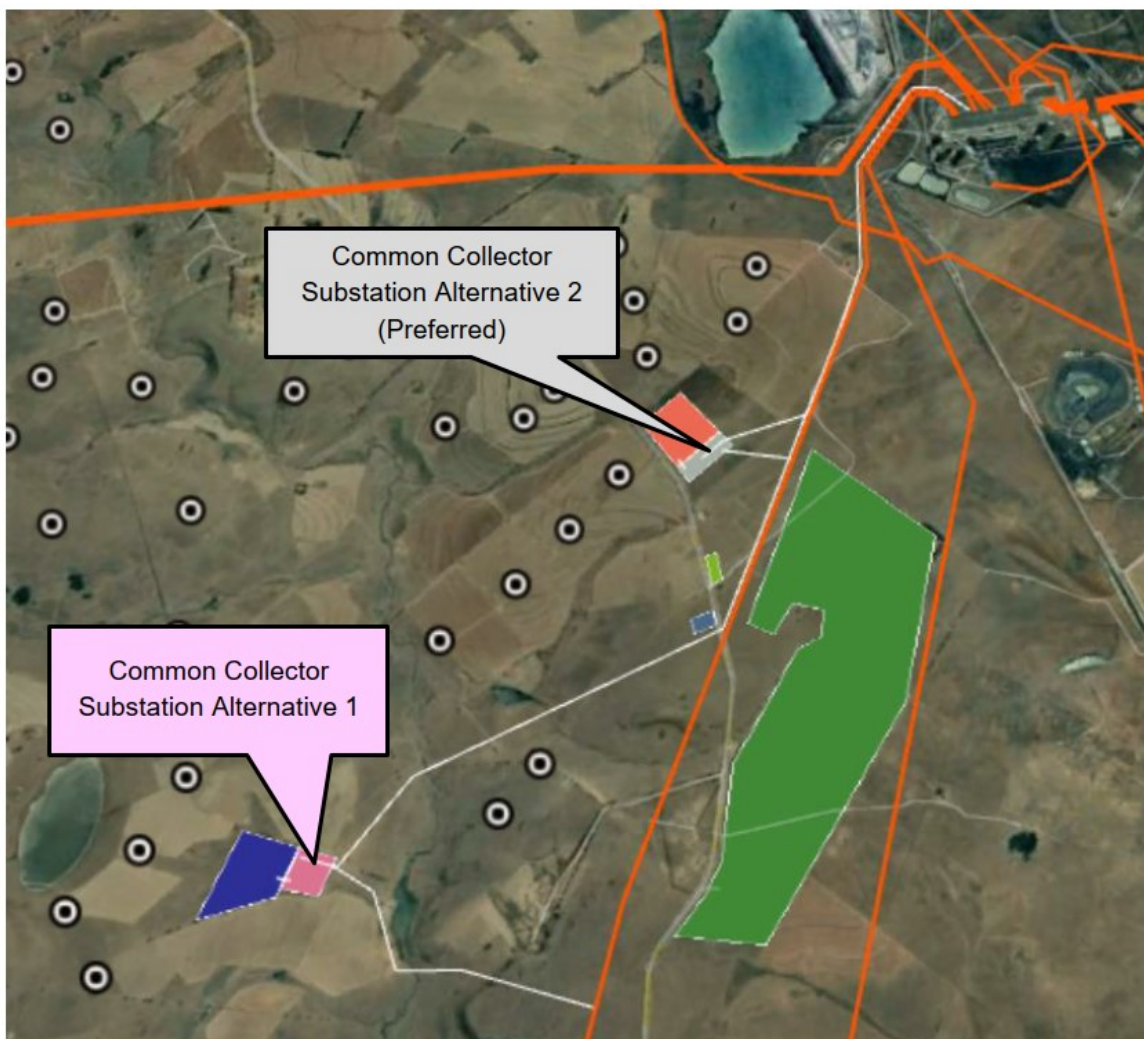
Site alternative 2 is the preferred option for the substation, with the following coordinates:

– A2-1 - 26°38'44.08"S 30° 4'10.50"E

– A2-2 - 26°38'47.63"S 30° 4'14.25"E

– A2-3 - 26°38'57.67"S 30° 4'3.08"E

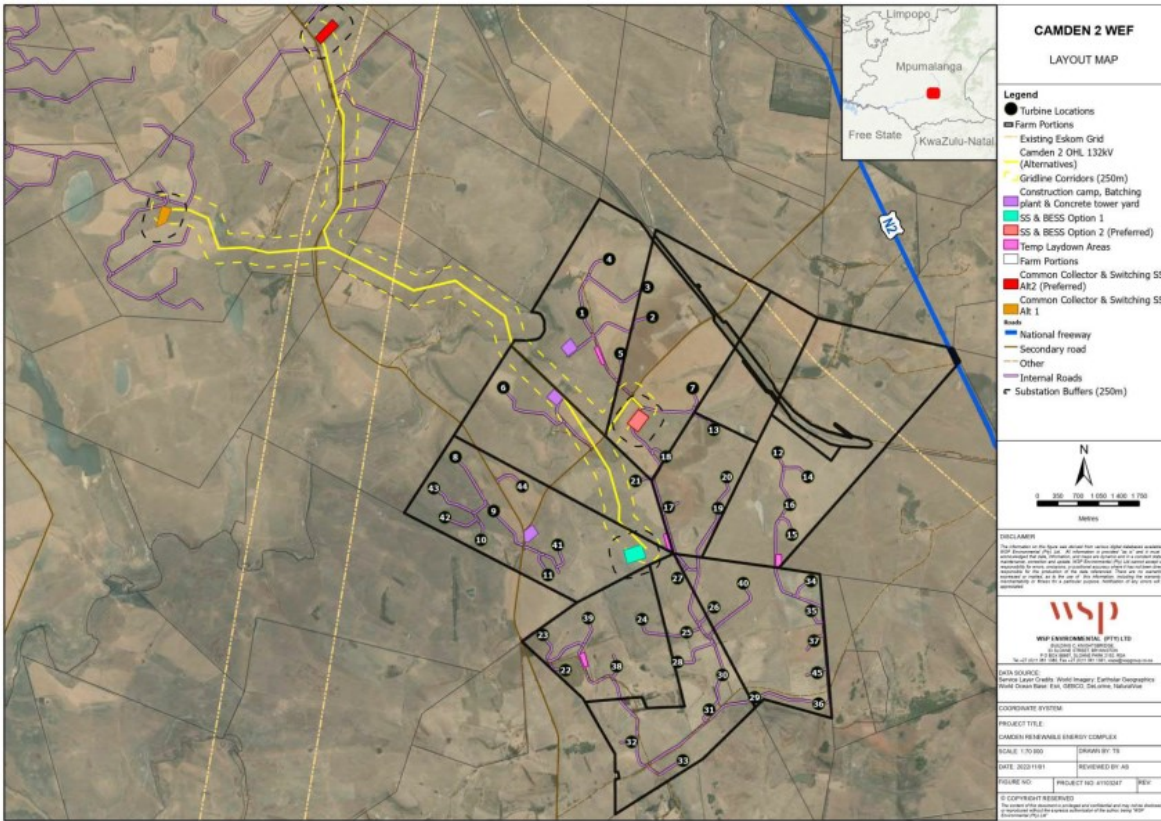
– A2- 26°38'54.03"S 30° 3'59.66"E



**Camden II WEF – DFFE Ref: 14-12-16-3-3-2-2135**

Site Substation & BESS Alternative 2 is the preferred





Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Thanks so much

Kind regards

Ashlea



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**To:** Strong, Ashlea  
**Cc:** Maharaj, Jashmika; Gideon Raath  
**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good Morning

Thank you, I will engage with him

Warm regards  
Mongwe

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**From:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>

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**To:** C

**Cc:** Maharaj, Jashmika <jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com>; Gideon Raath <Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com>

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Dear Given

I believe we did have a discussion on 12 May 2023 – whereafter I provided the information in the attached email.

Please let me know if there were any further queries post our discussion.

Kind regards



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**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

Good Morning

I'm still waiting for someone to contact me concerning the Camden proposal. See below e-mail for ease of reference.

Warm regards  
Mongwe  
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**From:** Given Mongwe Transnet Freight Rail PTA  
**Sent:** Thursday, 11 May 2023 10:21  
**To:** Strong, Ashlea <[Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com](mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com)>  
**Cc:** Maharaj, Jashmika <[jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com](mailto:jashmika.maharaj@wsp.com)>; Gideon Raath <[Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com](mailto:Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com)>  
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Good Morning Ashlea

I'm trying to reach you on both your cell phone and land line, I need to chat to you about the Camden proposal.

Warm regards

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Dear Landowner,

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Notice is given in terms of:

- **Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)**
- **Section 39 or 41(4) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998) (NWA), for the submission of a General Authorisation (GA) or Water Use Licence (WUL) Application (as applicable)**
- **Section 53(1) application under the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002) (MPRDA) for land use contrary to the objectives of the Act, relating to electrical grid infrastructure development.**

ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ENERTRAG), proposes to establish a renewable energy complex, comprising amongst other the Camden I Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facilities, near Ermelo in Mpumalanga. As part of the cluster two up to 132kV overhead powerlines, substations and associated infrastructure are required. The proposed authorisations includes the Basic Assessment (BA) processes for the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Wind Energy Facility and the up to 132kV powerline, substation and associated infrastructure for the Camden I Solar Energy Facility both located on Portions 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322.

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ENERTRAG, to manage the respective BA and S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

**DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD**

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2. Employees at your properties.
3. Neighbouring land owner.
4. Neighbouring tenants.
5. Any other interested party.

WSP contact details are:

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We look forward to your participation in this process.

Kind Regards,



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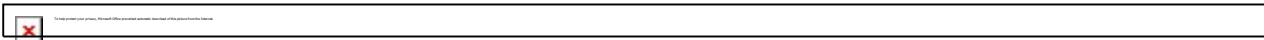
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Hi Given,

Thanks for the discussion, much appreciated for checking in on this! I will get back to you with the wayleave applications once we've confirmed the crossing and Transnet property needs, so will get in touch in a while to take those forward.

Kind Regards,  
**Mr. Gideon Raath**  
Senior Project Developer

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**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA

**[EXTERN!]**

Good Morning

Thank you, I will engage with him

Warm regards  
Mongwe

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Dear Given

I believe we did have a discussion on 12 May 2023 – whereafter I provided the information in the attached email.

Please let me know if there were any further queries post our discussion.

Kind regards



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Good Morning

I'm still waiting for someone to contact me concerning the Camden proposal. See below e-mail for ease of reference.

Warm regards

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Good Morning Ashlea

I'm trying to reach you on both your cell phone and land line, I need to chat to you about the Camden proposal.

Warm regards  
Mongwe

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Dear Landowner,

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Area	Venue	Street Address	Contact No
	Ermelo Public Library	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500
	Thusiville Public Library	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119
<b>WSP Website</b>	<a href="https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents">https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents</a>		
<b>Datafree Website</b>	<a href="https://wsp-engage.com/">https://wsp-engage.com/</a>		

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1. **Tenants on your properties.**
2. **Employees at your properties.**
3. **Neighbouring land owner.**
4. **Neighbouring tenants.**
5. **Any other interested party.**

WSP contact details are:

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**Tel:** 011 552-4300  
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We look forward to your participation in this process.

Kind Regards,



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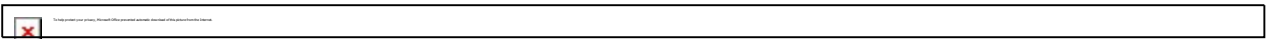
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**Cc:** Karl Naude; Lindokuhle Vilakati  
**Subject:** COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO GRID CONNECTIONS FOR THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX NEAR ERMELO, MPUMALANGA  
**Attachments:** Langcarel Private Nature Reserve.JPG

Hi Ashlea

The Directorate: Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness (PAPME), would like to thank you for the opportunity to review the draft basic assessment report for the development of the Camden 1, 132kV overhead power connection line near Ermelo Mpumalanga. This project forms part of the Camden Renewable Energy Complex development consisting of the following projects and EA applications.

- Camden I Wind Energy Facility (WEF) up to (200 MW) including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2137)
- Camden II WEF including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2135)
- Camden I Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2136)
- Camden 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure (Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134)
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure (Ref: 1/3/1/16/1 G-242)

The comments from the management authority responsible for the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve must be obtain from either MTPA or assigned management authority. You will have to consult or communicate with Mr Brian Morris as follows:  
Mr Brian Morris  
Senior Manager: Protected Areas Expansion and Stewardship  
MTPA

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Comments that have been provided before by this directorate on the Camden Renewable Energy Complex applications highlighted the existence of a Protected Area Status (Langcarel Private Nature Reserve) on the properties affected by this development. It has been noted that the proposed development of the 132kV overhead power connection is also affecting the properties with a Protected Area Status, that is farm Welgelen no. 322 Portion 1 and 2.

The comments provided on the pre-app meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2022 with the directorate of Integrated Environmental Authorisation (IEA) and the comments provided by this Directorate: Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness on the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 still stand.

Thanks  
Thivhulawi

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Dear Commenting Authority



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