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## 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The proponent is proposing the development of a Camden Renewable Energy Complex 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 (up to 200MW) (subject to a S&EIR process);
- 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);
- Camden I Solar (up to 100MW) (subject to a S&EIR process);
- 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);
- Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection (subject to a BA Process); and
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility (GH&A), including grid connection infrastructure (subject to a S&EIR process).

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 focus of this Stakeholder Engagement Report is the proposed Camden I GH&A project.

The proposed project will be operated under a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), and the Project Applicant is Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd. The proposed facility will connect directly to the nearby Camden Collector substation through an up to 132kV powerline, which will supply the GH&A facility with green energy for the production of hydrogen (and ultimately Ammonia) via the Haber–Bosch process. The broader Camden developments (i.e. seven of the abovementioned projects) will connect to the Camden Power Station substation through an up to 400kV powerline (either single or double circuit) (subject to a separate Scoping and EIA process).

In order for the proposed project to proceed, it will require an Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the Competent Authority (CA) (i.e. the Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA)).

#### 1.2 TERMS OF REFERENCE AND DETAILS OF THE EAP

WSP was appointed in the role of Independent EAP to undertake the S&EIA processes for the proposed Project. This Stakeholder Engagement Report was compiled as part of the Scoping process and must be read in conjunction with the Scoping in support of the EA application. **Table 1** details the relevant contact details of the EAP.

#### Table 1: Details of the EAP

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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 EIA.

#### 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.

#### 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 EIA 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.

#### 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.

#### 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 2** below.

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

SCALE OF ANTICIPATED	RECOMMENDED RESPONSE		
IMPACTS:	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.	
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 to 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.	

SCALE OF ANTICIPATED	RECOMMENDED RESPONSE		
IMPACTS:	IF "YES"	IF "NO"	
Public and environmental sensitivity o	f the project:		
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 landowner 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.	
Potentially affected parties:			
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.	

#### 1.5 COVID-19 SCENARIO

Given the spread of the COVID-19 virus to various parts of the world, including to South Africa, on 15 March 2020, in terms of Section 27 of the Disaster Management Act (Act 57 of 2002) (DMA), President Cyril Ramaphosa declared a national state of disaster in South Africa. From 01 May 2020 the Alert Level has been adjusted according to the risk-adjusted strategy, as and when required reflecting the level of risk associated with Covid-19 infections throughout the country.

Due to the restrictions imposed by the various Alert Levels, restrictions were imposed on public participation associated with COVID–19 on 31 March 2020, which meant that the PPP required by Regulation 41 of the EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) could not reasonably be adhered to. On 05 June 2020, new Directions were issued by the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, "Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of COVID-19 relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences", in respect of the undertaking and administration of EIA and related processes during Lockdown Alert Level 3. The Directions of 05 June 2020 repealed the Directions of 31 March 2020. On 09 September 2020, new Directions were again issued by the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment in respect of the undertaking and administration of EIA and related processes during Lockdown Alert Level 2 and lower.

It is now possible to proceed with public participation in accordance with the "Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of COVID-19 relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences" (GN 650) published on 05 June 2020 and the "Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of COVID-19 relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences" (GN 970) published on 09 September 2020.

Annexure 2 of the Directions require that "At all times it must be ensured that reasonable opportunity is provided for public participation and that all administrative actions are reasonable. While the COVID-19 pandemic is a unique circumstance, the specific circumstances in each case must be considered in order to determine what will be reasonable. If in the circumstances of a particular case reasonable alternative methods to give notice to potential interested and affected parties are available, then the relevant competent authority can be approached for an agreement in this regard as provided for in regulation 41(2)(e) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations."

In line with the Directions, a public participation plan was compiled and presented to DFFE for approval at the outset of the assessment process (as detailed in Section 1.6). Due to the risks associated with COVID-19, as far as possible, the focus of the PPP has shifted from physical public engagements to digital and electronic communication (including e-mail and websites). No provision has been made for public or focus group meetings due to current COVID-19 restrictions as well as past experience with projects of this nature. Should significant interest be obtained in this Project, a public meeting will be included as part of the PPP, should COVID-19 protocols and regulations permit.

#### 1.6 APPROVED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

As part of the pre-application consultation meeting held with DFFE on 19 October 2021, the proposed plan for public participation was discussed. A public participation plan was subsequently submitted to DFFE, along with the meeting minutes, for approval on 16 November 2021. The minutes of the meeting and the public participation plan were approved on 18 November 2021 and 22 November 2021 respectively. The approved PP Plan was also presented to MDARDLEA at the Pre-Application Meeting held on 4 November 2021 and it was approved during the meeting. Table 3 below outlines the approved Public Participation Plan for the Camden Renewable Energy Complex.

**Table 3: Approved Public Participation Plan** 

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

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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

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.

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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.

- 39 (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply in respect of
  - a) linear activities;
- 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
- strategic integrated projects as contemplated in the Infrastructure Development Act, 2014.

- Landowner Consent Letters are not required for linear activities.
- 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.

# 40 (1) The public participation process to which the—

- a) basic assessment report and EMPr, and where applicable the closure plan, submitted in terms of regulation 19;
   and
- scoping report submitted in terms of regulation 21 and the environmental impact assessment report and EMPr submitted in terms of regulation 23;

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.

- Notification of the availability of the Scoping and Environmental Impact (S&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.
- The Draft Reports will be made available to all stakeholders for a 30day comment period as follows:
  - From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.
  - On the WSP website as well as on a data free website1 for download
  - Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices etc
  - CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.
  - Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.

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&APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&APs

- 40 (2) The public participation process contemplated in this regulation must provide 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
  - a) the competent authority.
  - b) every State department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to an application for an environmental authorisation.
- Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&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. This will include:
- Identification of stakeholders with a potential interest in the project will be at the outset of the project.
- All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the S&EIA and BA processes.
- 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.

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- all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and
- d) all potential, or, where relevant, registered

interested and affected parties.

- General communication (written notification) with identified stakeholders (public and other government departments/authorities) on the proposed projects.
- 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.
- Consultation of relevant communities via the Ward Councillor and/or community representative, in a manner determined and/or required during stakeholder engagement.
- 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
- Reports will be made available to all potential or registered I&APS following the submission of the applications to the DFFE, that is during the legislated relevant report
- 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.
- All I&APs will be provided an opportunity to comment on the reports and submit comments directly to the EAP. <u>Comments can be submitted</u> in the following ways:
  - Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email
  - Written comments via email or fax
  - Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and
  - Via Whatsapp or SMS (including the use of "please call me").
- 41(2) The person conducting a PPP must give notice to all potential I&APs by-
  - 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—
    - I. the site where the activity to which the application or proposed application relates is or is to be undertaken; and
    - II. any alternative site;

- 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.
- 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.

- (b) giving written notice, in any of the manners provided for in section 47D of the Act, to—
  - (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;
  - (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;
- 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.
- General communication (written notification) with stakeholders (public and government departments/authorities) throughout the respective environmental impact assessment (EIA) and basic assessment (BA) processes.
- Stakeholders will be added to the database on request as the project progresses.

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- (iii) the municipal councillor of the ward in which the site and alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represent community in the area;
- (iv) (iv) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area;
- (v) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity;
- (vi) any other party as required by the competent authority;
- (c) placing an advertisement in
  - one local newspaper; or
  - (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;

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.

(d) placing an advertisement in at least one provincial newspaper or national newspaper, if extends beyond the boundaries of the Project will be undertaken. metropolitan or district municipality in which it is or will be undertaken.

It has been established that advertising in provincial and national newspapers is not required as the impact of the activities do not extend the activity has or may have an impact that beyond the boundaries of the district municipality or province in which the

- (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-
  - T. illiteracy;
  - II. disability; or
  - III. any other disadvantage.
- A consolidated I&AP database will be compiled for the project. Any existing I&AP databases for other projects in the area known to the applicant will be utilised as a basis for the database. These I&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&APs will be contacted telephonically and asked to confirm their preferred method of communication.
- 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.
- Virtual focus group meetings will be held in each phase of the project.
- 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.
- I&APs will be able to contact the EAP via email, fax, telephone, whatsapp or SMS (Including the use of "please call me").
- 41 (3) A notice, notice board or advertisement referred to in subregulation (2) must-
- give details of the application or proposed application which is subjected to public participation; and
- state
  - whether basic assessment or S&EIR procedures are being applied to the application;
  - the nature and location of the activity ii. to which the application relates;
- 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.
- 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.

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- iii. where further information on the application or proposed application can be obtained; and
- the manner in which and the person to whom representations in respect of the application or proposed application may be made.
- 41 (4) A notice board referred to in subregulation (2) must—
  - (a) be of a size of at least 60cm by 42cm; and
  - (b) display the required information in lettering and in a format as may be determined by the competent authority.
- 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—
  - a) such process has been preceded by a public participation process which included compliance with subregulation (2)(a), (b), (c) and (d);
     and
  - b) written notice is given to registered interested and affected parties regarding where the—
    - revised basic assessment report or, EMPr or closure plan, as contemplated in regulation 19(1)(b);
    - ii. revised environmental impact assessment report or EMPr as contemplated in regulation 23(1)(b); or
    - iii. environmental impact assessment report and EMPr as contemplated in regulation 21(2)(d);

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.

- 41 (6) When complying with this regulation, the person conducting the public participation process must ensure that—
  - a) information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application or proposed application is made available to potential interested and affected parties; and

 If the revised reports are required to undergo additional review, the requirements of Regulation 41(5) will be followed.

- Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&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.
- 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&APs during the 30-day public review period of the Draft Reports.

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- 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.
- All registered I&APs will be included in any communication regarding the application processes for the projects throughout the respective S&EIA and BA processes.
- 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.
- 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
- (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
  - 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;
  - (b) all persons who have requested the proponent or applicant, in writing, for their names to be placed on the register; and
  - all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates.

- 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.
- This stakeholder database will be updated on an ongoing basis as new stakeholders request to be registered.
- All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the EIA and BA processes.
- The EAP will continue to ensure that individuals/organisations from referrals and networking are notified of the proposed project.
- (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. (2) In order to give effect to section 24O 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.

(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

- From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.
- On the WSP website and on a data free website for download.
- Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices
- CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.
- Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.

Comment forms (in a bound booklet) will be placed with the Draft Reports at the abovementioned public places. 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&AP wish to contact the EAP directly.

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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</u> are not available due to COVID restrictions WSP will provide the Local Ward Councillors with copies of the reports to ensure that I&APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&APs.

A Comment and Response Report (CRR) will be generated for inclusion in Final Reports for consideration by the competent authority.

- comments of interested and affected parties are following ways: 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.
- 44 (1) The applicant must ensure that the All I&APs will be able to submit comments directly to the EAP in the
  - Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email
  - Written comments via email or fax
  - Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and
  - Via Whatsapp or SMS.

access written comments as contemplated in subregulation (1) due to-

(2) Where a person desires but is unable to Comments received telephonically will be transcribed and captured as formal comments in the Comments and Responses Report. I&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.

- a lack of skills to read or write;
- b) disability; or
- any other disadvantage; reasonable alternative methods of recording comments must be provided for.

Regulation 44 (2) The applicant must, in writing, within 14 days of the date of the decision on the application ensure that-

- all registered interested and affected parties are provided with access to the decision and the reasons for such decision; and
- b) the attention of all registered interested and affected parties is drawn to the fact that an appeal maybe lodged against the decision in terms of the National Appeal Regulations, if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision.

Written notification of the decision on the EAs will be sent to all registered I&APs, as well as communicated via Ward Councillors to I&APs that do not have access to internet and emails. Registered I&APs will be informed of the appeal procedure as well as advised that copies of the EA decisions can be provided on request.

#### **Table 4: Meetings**

#### PROJECT MEETINGS

Pre-Application Meeting	A virtual pre-application meeting was held on 4 November 2021 with the MDARDLEA to discuss the proposed projects, proposed approach, and confirm the processes.
Public and/or Focus Group Meetings	<ul> <li>No Virtual focus group meetings have been requested during the Scoping Phase by the I&amp;APs as stipulated in the BID and other notification documents.</li> <li>A telephonic conversation was held with the ward councillor. Comments raised by the councillor are captured in Table 8.</li> </ul>

# 2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TO DATE

#### 2.1 PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION

A virtual pre-application meeting was held on 4 November 2021 with the MDARDLEA to discuss the proposed Camden I GH&A Facility project. The minutes of the meeting (inclusive of the proposed public participation plan) 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 5**.

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 5: Interested and Affected Parties Table** 

NEMA REQUIREMENT	DISCUSSION
	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	•
	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	
(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	MDARDLEA has been, and will continue to be, consulted. The DFFE 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:  Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE)  Mpumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)  DFFE  Department of Rural Development and Land Reform  Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)  Mpumalanga Department of Water and Sanitation: Oliphant's Proto-CMA

NEMA REQUIREMENT	DISCUSSION
	Mpumalanga Department of Social Development
	<ul> <li>Mpumalanga Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport (DPWR)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mpumalanga Department of Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Authority</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Department of Defence Force Mpumalanga</li> </ul>
	South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA)
	Gert Sibande District Municipality
	Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality
	Transnet Freight Rail
	— Eskom
	BirdLife South Africa
	South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)
	Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency

**Appendix A** provides a list of stakeholders registered on the Project database. The stakeholders along with the date on which they registered and reference to comments received, where applicable, are indicated in **Table 8**. The stakeholder database has been updated throughout the EIA process.

#### 2.2.1 NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES

#### **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 are included in **Appendix B-4** and **Appendix B-5**.

#### **ADVERTISEMENT**

Notification of the proposed Project was issued to the general public via an advertisement on **25 February 2022**. The purpose of the advertisement was 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 and proof of their publication are included as **Appendix B-1**. The advertisement publication details are provided in **Table 6**.

Table 6: Dates on which the advert was published

NEWSPAPER	PUBLICATION DATE
Highvelder Newspaper	25 February 2022
Standerton Newspaper	25 February 2022

#### **SITE NOTICES**

In accordance with GNR 326 Section 41(2)(a-b) site notices were 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.

**Table 7** below shows details and proof of display.

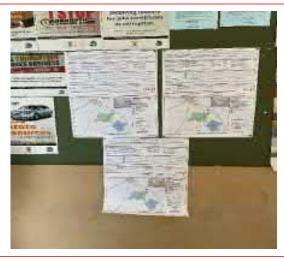
#### **Table 7: Site Notice Locations**

#### LOCATION CO-ORDINATES

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Muskwaligwa	
Local	
Municipality –	

26°31'39.48"S 29° 29°59'20.68"E



#### Ermelo Regional 26°31'39.48"S Library 29°59'20.68"E



Thusiville Public 26° 31'40.70" S Library 29° 59'19.63" E



#### LOCATION **CO-ORDINATES**

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Gert	Sibande	
District		
Municip	ality	

26° 31'20.41" S 29° 53'18.78" E



Site Placed adjacent 30°6'14.30" E to the property boundary of the proposed project and the N2 Ermelo / Piet Retief

Notice 26° 35'53.95" S



Site Notice Placed adjacent to the property boundary of the proposed project and the N11 Hendrina/Ermelo Road

26° 37'34.87" S 29° 58'23.53" E



#### LOCATION **CO-ORDINATES**

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Camden Power 26°35'17.40"S Station Entrance

30° 5'18.48"E



#### **AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT**

The Draft Scoping Report was placed on public review for a period of at least 30 days from 25 February 2022 to 28 March 2022, at the venues as follows:

- Hard Copy: Gert Sibande District Municipality (Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets, 017 801 7000);
- Hard Copy: Ermelo Public Library (Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street, 017 801 3500);
- Hard Copy: Thusiville Public Library (Wesselton Ext 2, 082 797 5119);
- Hard Copy: Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office (Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street, 017 801 3500);
- 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 Reports will also made available to Commenting Authorities via a One Drive link (Camden Public Review).

Proof of display of the Draft Scoping Report is provided in Appendix B-6.

#### **AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT**

The final report was submitted to the DFFE on 8 April 2022 and was made available to registered I&APs on the WSP website and the data free website.

#### AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

The Draft EIAR will be placed on public review for a period of at least 30 days from 7 September 2022 to 10 October 2022, at the venues as follows:

- Hard Copy: Gert Sibande District Municipality (Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets, 017 801 7000);
- Hard Copy: Ermelo Public Library (Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street, 017 801 3500);
- Hard Copy: Thusiville Public Library (Wesselton Ext 2, 082 797 5119);
- Hard Copy: Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office (Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street, 017 801 3500);
- 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 Reports will also made available to Commenting Authorities via a One Drive link (Camden Public Review).

#### 2.2.2 STAKEHOLDER REGISTRATION

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

#### 2.3 COMMENTS RECEIVED

Comments received from registered stakeholders to date have been captured and responded to within the comments and response tables included in **Table 8** below. The original comments and responses are included in **Appendix D**.

#### Table 8: Comments received to date

DATE OF COMMENT, FORMAT OF COMMENT, NAME OF ORGANISATION/I&AP COMMENTS

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Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ward Councillor: Ward 11				
Khalishwayo. Ward 11 Councillor	The councillor indicated that he does not have any issues with the project and stated that as long proper processes are followed. Additionally, he added that as long as the projects lead to employment for the community (local residents).  He further indicated that proper process should be followed during recruitment. He lastly noted that it is his understanding that renewables are good for the environment, and he is therefore happy with the projects.	The comment was noted and recorded during the telephone call for incorporation into this SER. Socio-economic impacts will be identified and assessed during the EIA phase. This includes creation of local employment, training, and business opportunities for the local area. Aspects to be assessed in the EIA phase have been detailed in the Plan of Study included in the Scoping Report for this project.	Section 7.4 3 of Final Scoping Report	
Gert Sibande District Municipality – Community & Social Services				
02 February 2022, Email communication  Loren Dyer Senior Air Quality Consultant WSP	-	AQ Specialist:  Please find attached, the Air Quality Plan of Study for a proposed Renewable Energy and Green Ammonia Facility near Ermelo, Mpumalanga. The applicant is Camden Green Energy (Pty) Ltd. WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd has been appointed to manage the environmental authorisation process (managed by Ms Ashlea Strong, copied) and to undertake the specialist air quality assessment. Kindly confirm receipt of this email and the attached document.  The proposed facility is a unique case in terms of the applicability of NEM:AQA Section 21 licensing. The details around this are documented in the Plan of Study. We look forward to your feedback and guidance on the proposed way forward.  I am available to discuss at your convenience.	-	
18 March 2022, Email communication Bulelwa Mthembu	Kindly assist or confirm the following in order for the Licensing Authority to make an informed decision on the inquiry as made:	AQ Specialist: A response was provided via email as follows: Thank you for your email.	-	

RESPONSE REFERENCE Air Quality Officer No. The facility will be powered by renewable wind energy. Would the facility have a liquid or gas fuel stationary engines used for electricity generation? Gert Sibande District Not applicable. Municipality — If yes, what will be the heat input per unit in MW? Yes. The facility will produce ammonia. Community & Social Would the facility produce ammonia or use The proposed production capacity is 100 000 tons per annum. Services – MH & ES ammonia in manufacturing? If yes, what will be the capacity per annum in tons? 22 March 2022. **AQ Specialist:** Appendix D of Based on the information provided to the Licensing SER Email communication Authority, your facility is listed in terms of NEMAQA. A response was provided via email as follows: An application for an Atmospheric Emission Licence should be submitted on SAAELIP. Bulelwa Mthembu The licensing authority's decision is noted. Please confirm that this application will take the form of a provisional AEL? Air Quality Officer Please also advise whether the authority is satisfied with the specialist air quality input being a Gert Sibande District qualitative assessment considering an emissions inventory and dispersion modelling assessment Municipality is not possible at this time. Community & Social Services – MH & ES Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality This correspondence seems to be directed to an incorrect **EAP**: Appendix A 24 February 2022 of SER Email communication recipient - Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Local The feedback has been noted. Municipality. WSP can confirm that a portion of the Camden II Wind Energy Facility falls within the Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Local Municipality and therefore a number of stakeholders within the municipality Mahanbahleka Mawela. are included in the Database and were notification of the project. **Prokureurs/ Attorneys Notarisse/Notaries** Appendix D EAP: 24 February 2020 Kindly take note that the report is not available on the of SER website. A response was provided via email as follows: Email conversation.

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Dear Jolande Thank you for your email – My apologies – the date in the email is an error – please refer to the Jolandé de Jager – Bester notification letters that were attached – the reports will be available from 25 February 2022. Thank you for notifying us of this – we have resent the notification email with the corrected date. Kind regards. The Department of Water and Sanitation 24 February 2022 Email EAP: We will comment on the WULA when submitted. communication Pieter The EAP takes note of the DWS's comment and will notify them as soon as the WULA has been Ackerman – Chief submitted. Landscape Architect Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE): Biodiversity and Conservation 24 February 2020 DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby **EAP**: acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and WSP confirm receipt of the email and await comments from Ms Makitla or Ms Maifo. **Email Communication** comment on the Draft Scoping Report for the proposed development of the Camden Renewable Energy complex, Tsholofelo Shalot Mpumalanga Province. Kindly note that the project has Sekonko. been allocated to Ms Makitla and Ms Maifo (both copied on this email). Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries will be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.

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re	ceived via email ase officer Portia Makitla	Comments on the draft scoping reports for the proposed development of the Camden I Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility.  The Directorate: Biodiversity Conversation has reviewed and evaluated the report.  The Directorate: Biodiversity Conversation has reviewed and evaluated the report and does not have any objections to the Draft Scoping Report and Plan of Study provided that all relevant National and Provincial biodiversity guidelines will be considered in the final report.	EAP:  WSP acknowledge the Directorates statement of no objection. In addition, WSP confirm that all relevant National and Provincial biodiversity guidelines will be considered in the final report.  Please refer to Section 3 of the Final Scoping Report (FSR) for the current governance framework. This section will be updated as required during the EIA Phase.	Section 3 of the FSR	
		Please take note that any development within very highly sensitive biodiversity area; where residual impacts will result with very high significant impacts rating will not be supported.	<b>EAP:</b> WSP acknowledge this statement. WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will consider all very high sensitive areas as determined by the relevant specialist studies. The final sensitivity mapping and impact assessment will undertaken during the EIA phase.	Figure 5-26 of the FSR	
		The Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA for review and queries should be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conversation at email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of Mr. Seoka Lekota.		-	
D	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment: Air Quality				
Eı	February 2022  mail Communication  thobisi Ngcobo	Greetings to you all. Thanks for the information I will attend to it accordingly.	EAP: WSP acknowledge receipt of the email and await comments.	-	

25 March 2022 Kindly note that Air Quality Comments/Inputs will only **EAP**: reach yourself after the closing date. **Email Communication** WSP acknowledge receipt of the email and await comments. I will select projects that have air quality issues and only Edward Mahosi make comments/inputs on them. Regards, Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency Appendix D 24 February 2022 Email Dear Me. Strong please deliver a hard copy of this of SER proposal to Thabile Mnisi at MTPA Scientific Services communication A response was provided via email as follows: for registration and commenting purposes. Just to confirm – the hard copies were couriered on Wednesday evening – so should have arrived Frans Krige at your offices already – or will be there early next week at the latest MTPA Appendix C-2 25 March 2022 MTPA comments on the Draft scoping report for the WSP can confirm that the proposed project will be undertaken on Portion 1 and 2 of the farm proposed Camden I Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Welgelegen 322 IS which is part of the proclaimed private nature reserve. Languager Private Comment received on facility nature reserve which was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61. WSP has engaged the email DFFE protected area section on the status of the private nature reserve. The meeting was held on MTPA is concerned about the layout of the proposal. the 31st of March 2022. The meeting minutes of the meeting held with DFFE are attached as Mr JJ Eksteen Portion 1 and 2 of the farm Welgelegen 322 IS, is part of Appendix C-2 of this SER. the proclaimed private nature reserve. Languarel Private MTPA nature reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61. A copy of the proclamation is attached. Appendix C-2 Please consult the DFFE protected area data base. There WSP can confirm that the proposed project will be undertaken on Portion 1 and 2 of the farm seems to be confusion about the farm Welterverden's Welgelegen 322 IS which is part of the proclaimed private nature reserve. Langcarel Private of the SER nature reserve which was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61. WSP has engaged the registration number. DFFE protected area section on the status of the private nature reserve. The meeting was held on the 31st of March 2022. The meeting minutes of the meeting held with DFFE are attached as **Appendix C-2** of this SER.

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# Recommendations: EAP: Section 2.6 of FSR The site layout plan should be redesigned. An alternative layout plan must be found outside the boundaries of the protected area and its 1km buffer and the CBA areas and wetlands as indicated in the MBSO based maps. EAP: Protected Area The Protected Area refers to the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve. This reserve is however noted as having farming activity present, and is currently managed actively and entirely for livestock and crop agriculture. Various historic and current disturbances include:

- Manmade dams
- Historic coal prospecting
- Historically cultivated areas
- Current cultivates areas
- Ongoing grazing and cattle rearing activities
- Built up areas (homesteads)
- Invasive alien plants for windrows
- Historic soil borrowing activities leading to exposed soils.

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 (as is their existing business and income), in conjunction with the planned Renewable Energy land use subject to this application.

Furthermore, the site is zoned agricultural, and no restrictive condition or mention of the aforementioned nature reserve is evident in the most recent title deed for the property. There is also no evidence of compliance with the norms and standards for the inclusion of private nature reserves in the register of protected areas of South Africa (GNR 1157 of 3 November 2017).

The management and land use of these properties is therefore highly inconsistent with the Private Nature Reserve status and has not, and continues to not be, managed and utilised as a private nature reserve.

In addition, Section 2.6 of the FSR furthermore outlines the need and desirability of the project which includes the benefits of the location close to the Camden Power Station which has been listed for decommissioning in the coming years. The location of the development will also allow for the use of the existing power transmission infrastructure that would otherwise become defunct post decommissioning. The project will further contribute to local job creation,

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economic development, renewable energy generation in the context of South Africa's energy insecurity, and sustainable income for the land owners.

The terrestrial ecologist further notes that the project study area consists largely of natural habitat within a rural area. Currently, the rates of transformation within the vegetation in this general region is moderately high, although on-site habitats have not been transformed to as high degree as surrounding areas. The ecologist further noted that it is possible that sensitive habitats on site can be minimised or avoided with the application of appropriate mitigation or management measures. The project is therefore not considered fatally flawed and should be subjected to further study in accordance with the specialist Plan of Study.

Given the above, and considering in particular the following:

- That site land use is currently partially disturbed and highly inconsistent with the private nature reserve declaration:
- The aim of the landowner to continue operating the property under a mixed-agricultural and renewable energy use;
- The landowner disputing of the nature reserve designation;
- The specialists recommendation towards further study in the EIA phase;
- The opportunity for simultaneous development and avoidance of ground-truthed sensitive areas determined by the specialist during the EIA phase; and
- The clear advantageous nature at a provincial and national scale of the proposed project in light of the need and desirability of project;

It is proposed therefore that the designation of the properties as a private nature reserve be investigated further in conjunction with the MTPA and the Competent Authority, including considering of all legal avenues towards withdrawal of the private nature reserve status of the site by the landowner, further specialist investigation as provided for in the current Plan of Study, and consideration of site-specific habitat sensitivities in conjunction with development layout adjustments as far as possible, towards beneficial use of the properties in question.

#### CBA areas and wetlands

WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will be updated such that wetlands and wetlands buffers are avoided as far as possible. In addition, the EMPr will include relevant mitigation and management measures as required by the specialists. Where unavoidable, such as where access roads and overhead power lines may be required at unavoidable but limited instances

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	in these buffer zones, specialist control and mitigation measures are recommended and will be included verbatim in the EMPr.	
	Furthermore, in all instances where water uses are triggered under the National Water Act, a suitable Water Use Authorisation (General Authorisation or Water Use Licence Application) will be obtained for the water use activities.	
	Critical biodiversity areas will be considered in the impact assessment and sensitivity assessment conducted in the EIA phase ecological and freshwater specialist studies, with specialist recommendations provided for mitigation and/or avoidance implemented as far as possible.	
Take note of the DFFE screening tool reparents a very high sensitivity rating for Aquatic Terrestrial Biodiversity themes among requires thorough onsite specialist as	biodiversity and wsp acknowledge this statement.	Appendix H of the FSR
findings of very high and high sensitive habitat by the preliminary David Hoare of study has highlighted the possible occur conversation important species that might	wity status of the consulting (2021) rence of certain rence of certain are avoided as far as possible.	Appendix I of the FSR
The onsite status of species such as the species, Secretary bird, black-footed Stripped Weasel, south African Hed/Musk shrew, any Reptiles and Amphib Giant Bullfrog and flying mammals must	The studies being undertaken are as per the sensitivity screening of the DFFE and the requisite protocols. In addition, it can be confirmed that an initial site assessment was undertaken (Feb 2000) (summer), and that an FIA phase field assessment will be done (Apr/May 2022) (winter)	
The MTPA requires at least three ons must be done, to cover the growing se geophytes included.		Section 7.5 of the FSR

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	the field survey was therefore ideal in terms of assessing the vegetation condition and flora composition of the site	
The applicable Environmental legislation with specific reference to the Activities in Listing Notice 3: GNR 985 must be adhered to, especially in the light that Langcarel PNR does exist.	<b>EAP:</b> WSP confirm that all relevant listed activities in Listing Notice 3 have been included in light of the presence of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve.	Table 3-1 of Section 3 of the FSR
No facilities without approval within the PA and 1km buffer.	EAP:  The Protected Area refers to the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve. This reserve is however noted as having farming activity present, and is currently managed actively and entirely for livestock and crop agriculture. Various historic and current disturbances include:  i. Manmade dams  ii. Historic coal prospecting  iii. Historically cultivated areas  iv. Current cultivates areas  v. Ongoing grazing and cattle rearing activities  vi. Built up areas (homesteads)  vii. Invasive alien plants for windrows  viii. Historic soil borrowing activities leading to exposed soils.  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 (as is their existing business and income), in conjunction with the planned Renewable Energy land use subject to this application.  Furthermore, the site is zoned agricultural, and no restrictive condition or mention of the aforementioned nature reserve is evident in the most recent title deed for the property. There is also no evidence of compliance with the norms and standards for the inclusion of private nature reserves in the register of protected areas of South Africa (GNR 1157 of 3 November 2017).	-

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The management and land use of these properties is therefore highly inconsistent with the Private Nature Reserve status and has not, and continues to not be, managed and utilised as a private nature reserve.

In addition, section 2.6 of the FSR furthermore outlines the need and desirability of the project which includes the benefits of the location close to the Camden Power Station which has been listed for decommissioning in the coming years. The location of the development will also allow for the use of the existing power transmission infrastructure that would otherwise become defunct post decommissioning. The project will further contribute to local job creation, economic development, renewable energy generation in the context of South Africa's energy insecurity, and sustainable income for the land owners.

The terrestrial ecologist further notes that the project study area consists largely of natural habitat within a rural area. Currently, the rates of transformation within the vegetation in this general region is moderately high, although on-site habitats have not been transformed to as high degree as surrounding areas. The ecologist further noted that it is possible that sensitive habitats on site can be minimised or avoided with the application of appropriate mitigation or management measures. The project is therefore not considered fatally flawed and should be subjected to further study in accordance with the specialist Plan of Study.

Given the above, and considering in particular the following:

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	consideration of site-specific habitat sensitivities in conjunction with development layout adjustments as far as possible, towards beneficial use of the properties in question.	
areas.	Critical biodiversity areas will be considered in the impact assessment and sensitivity assessment conducted in the EIA phase ecological and freshwater specialist studies, with specialist recommendations provided for mitigation and/or avoidance implemented as far as possible.	
3. Development permissible within CBA optimal areas under certain conditions		
river with a 1km buffer.	WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will be updated such that wetlands and wetlands buffers are avoided as far as possible, based on specialist delineations and habitat sensitivity assessments in the EIA phase.	-
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s	Furthermore, in all instances where water uses are triggered under the National Water Act, a suitable Water Use Authorisation (General Authorisation or Water Use Licence Application) will be obtained for the water use activities.	
buffers.	WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will be updated such that wetlands and wetlands buffers are avoided as far as possible, based on specialist delineations and habitat sensitivity assessments in the EIA phase. It is noted that the specialist recommended buffers for the various aquatic features range from 62 to 105 m and include in-field delineations.	-
a natural state without lowering its PES.	WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will be updated such that wetlands and wetlands buffers are avoided as far as possible, based on specialist delineations and habitat sensitivity assessments in the EIA phase.	-
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		1. CBA FEPA river avoided with 1km buffer  WSP can confirm that the layout of the development will be updat associated buffers are avoided as far as possible, based on special sensitivity assessments in the EIA phase.		
		2. CBA wetlands delineated and avoided with 100m buffers  In addition, the EMPr will include relevant mitigation and manager the specialists. Where unavoidable, such as where access roads and required at unavoidable but limited instances in these buffer zero.	overhead power lines may be	
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		4. ESA wetlands This statement appears to be incomplete.	-	
		EAP: WSP acknowledges this response and awaits the formal letter confirmation of the c	. c	Appendix D f SER
	Formal Letter	llowing further investigation, site evaluation and	ming this statement.	
	Communication to DFFE	downer engagement undertaken to date, this letter		
	D ' 34 '	ves to confirm the intent by the Mpumalanga Tourism		
	Brian Morris	d Parks Agency (MTPA) to prepare a submission for		
		proval by the MEC of the Department of Agriculture,		
		ral Development, Land and Environment Affairs in		
		pumalanga Province for the publication of a notice of		
		ent to withdraw the declaration of, the Langcarel		
	Parks Agency (MTPA)	vate Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga		
		ture Conservation Act No. 10 of 1998, being		
		ntingent on formal, written confirmation by all adowners within the declared extent of the reserve.		
		irming their consent to the withdrawal as proposed.		
		e have engaged ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd		
		lowing this matter being brought to our attention and		
		ll pursue this matter further with the relevant		
		keholders as required.		

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Department of Agricultur	e, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD)		
24 February 2022 Email Communication.  Barbara De Lange	Hope you are well  Can you please provide the department with the following outstanding documents of the Camden Renewable Energy Complex?  Title deed  Motivation  Lay Out Plan of proposed development  Your quick respond will be highly appreciated.	A response was provided via email as follows:	Appendix D o SER
		You are welcome to contact us should you have any additional queries.	
Mpumalanga Department	of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Enviro	nmental Affairs (MDARDLEA)	
29 March 2022	Find attached for your attention.	EAP:	Appendix D of SER

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Email communication and formal letter  Sindisiwe Mbuyane  Control Environmental		A response was provided via email as follows:  Thank you for the comments provided.  Just to check, will you be issuing comments on the other projects (i.e. Camden I WEF, Camden II WEF, Camden I SEF and Camden 400 kV Powerline and Collector Substation) as the Commenting Authority?	
	Have you submitted them to our Department for comments.	EAP: A response was provided via email as follows: We submitted a hard copy (by hand) of each report to your department on 25 February 2022 and provided electronic access via both a website and a one drive link – these link were sent via email.  The links are as follows:  1. One Drive ( Camden Public Review)  2. WSP website (https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents)	Appendix D of SER
	Apologies, I just got back from site and rechecked the documents. I think it was an oversite on our side.  May I request that we do not comment since commenting period has ended we will however comment on the Draft/Final EIAR as soon as it is available for comments.  Apologies for the inconveniences.	EAP: A response was provided via email as follows: Hi Sindi Thank you for your feedback. Agreed – we will receive your comments in the EIA phase. Kind regards	Appendix D of SER
formal letter regarding DSR	Activities Associated with the Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facilities and Associated infrastructure.,  After careful consideration of the information contained, the following must be included in the scoping report:	The Final scoping report includes the stakeholder database of all registered interested and affected parties including organs or state that were informed about the project and provided access to the	Appendix B-4 and B-6 of SER

	<ul> <li>The final scoping report must provide proof that all potential and registered interested and affected parties, including organs of state, were provided with all access to and an opportunity to comment on the draft scoping report following the submission of the application form Regulation 30 (3)).</li> <li>The final scoping report must include an issue and response report, as well as copies of and responses to comments received from all interested and affected parties, including these comments.</li> </ul>				
	You must therefore demonstrate the provision of water, at the appropriate capacity, is available before the application of environmental authorisation for the development can be decided.		-Append of SER	ix 1	3
	You are reminded of the requirements of Regulation 21 (1), and that if such requirements is not met, the application will lapse in terms of the provisions of regulation 45.		-		
	Please draw the applicant's attention to the fact that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the department and do not hesitate to contact this office if there are any enquires.	<b>EAP:</b> The comment is hereby noted. No activities will be undertaken prior to the granting of the environmental authorisation.	-		
26 May 2022	At the final EIAR stage, the thresholds and descriptions of all activities applied for must be provided.	LAI.	Section EIAR	2 0	f

Email communication and formal letter regarding FSR		WSP herby acknowledges this comment. The final EIAR will have a complete list of all activities applied for with their descriptions and thresholds included		
Sindisiwe Mbuyane  Control Environmental	Please ensure that relevant activities applied for are specific and linked to the proposed development.	LAI.	Section EIAR	2 of
Officer Grade B	The coordinates of any watercourse that may be impacted must be provided in the final EIAR with recommendations. On the freshwater assessment mitigation measures must be outlined on how to avoid operations and disturbance of wetlands/watercourses.	EAF:	Section 8 EIAR	3.8 of
	Please ensure that at the final EIAR, the BESS preferred technology is assessed, and its risks are determined, impacts and mitigation measures are indicated.	LAI.	Section 8 7.3.7 of E	
	The final EIA report must provide proof that all potential and registered I&APs. including organs of state. Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency were provided with access to and an opportunity to comment on the scoping, as per the requirements of Regulation 40(3).		SER GH&A report)	for (this
	The final layout plan must clearly delineate all sensitive areas to be cleared including all buffer zones.		Appendiz EIAR	x E of

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Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority		
23 March 2022 Email communication Lizell Stroh Civil Aviation Authority	Please find new procedure and process to follow towards Renewable Energy projects.  http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Default.aspx .http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Obstacles/Urgent-notices.aspx SACAA Page - Main Content Section Obstacle Notice 1/2022 — Appointment of New Windfarm and Solar Obstacle Application Service Provider  Kindly be advised, Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) has been appointed as the Obstacle application Service Provider for Windfarms on 1 May 2021. They will be also responsible for Solar Obstacle Applications from the 1'st of February 2022. All new Solar applications must be lodged to obstacles@atns.co.za Their responsibility would pertain to the assessments, maintenance, and all other related matters in respect to Windfarms and Solar assessments	The requirements outlined by the CAA are acknowledged. The required permits related to obstacles will be obtained prior to the development of the project.  According to the DFFE Screening Tool Report, civil aviation is regarded as having low sensitivity. The proposed development site is located between 8 and 15 km from any civil aviation aerodromes.  The project area is not located on the extended runway centreline and is located more than 3km from the nearest aerodrome and therefore, a glint and glare study will not be required. Please further note, the technology applied for in this application is that of an hydrogen and ammonia production facility and not renewable energy in the form of solar PV or wind technology, which has unique SACAA requirements therefore not applicable to this application.	-
	Obstacle Notice 3/2020 (Replacement for 17/11/2017): Additional Requirements for Solar Project Applications		
	Kindly note that with immediate effect, A Glint & Glare Assessment will be required as soon as the proposed site is located on the extended runway centreline within the ICAO Annex 14 Approach Surface, Take-Off Climb		

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Surface & Departure Surface, and within 3km radius around an Aerodrome/helistop as pe Part 139.01.30 (3).

The new solar project applications must be accompanied by a Glint & Glare Impact Assessment Report with specific relevance to aviation & aircraft operations. It is recommended that a Glint & Glare Impact Assessment Report be obtained for solar project applications which have already been submitted to the SACAA.

There are various organisations who can perform glint & glare impact assessment. It is however recommended that a credible organisation be utilised for this purpose.

Please note that the cost for any Impact Assessment Report will be for the account of the applicant.

Any structure exceeding 45 m above ground level, or structures where the top of the structure exceeds 150 m above the MEAN ground level, like on top of a hill, the mean ground level considered to be the lowest point in a 3 kilometre radius around such structure. Structures lower than 45 m, which are considered as a danger or a potential danger to aviation, shall be marked as such when specified.

Overhead wires, cables, etc., crossing a river, valley or major roads shall be marked and in addition, their supporting towers marked and lighted if an aeronautical study indicates that it could constitute a hazard to aircraft.

Endangered Wildlife Trus	st (EWT)	dangered Wildlife Trust (EWT)		
Email communication Dr. Ian T. Little EWT	Please register the EWT as an I&AP for this development.  esources Agency (SAHRA)	EAP: A response was provided via email as follows: Dear Ian We can confirm that you have been added to the stakeholder database for the Camden Projects.		
Formal letter regarding FSR Nokukhanya Khumalo Heritage Officer	The Archaeology, Palaeontology, Meteorites (APM) notes the submission of the Scoping Report and Heritage Scoping Report and endorses the recommendation for a field survey by a suitably qualified archaeologist as part of a Heritage Impact Assessment report and a field based palaeontological assessment must be undertaken by a suitably qualified palaeontologist.  SAHRA will provide further comments on the proposed development once the draft EIAr, the HIA, and PIA reports are submitted to the case.  Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.	WSP herby acknowledges this comment and confirms that a suitably qualified heritage and palaeontology specialist has been appointed to conduct the further assessment on the proposed site.	Section 7.3.4 of EIAR	
G7 Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd				
Wednesday, 08 June 2022 Email communication Colette Alisha Stander	I trust you are doing very well. I would like to kindly request that myself, Colette Stander, with e-mail address, eia@g7energies.com, be registered as an I&AP in the Camden Renewable Energy Complex, consisting of the following:	Dear Colette	Appendix A o SER	

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relates to the identification of the I&AP within the

For the purpose of the process to be followed for any renewable energy projects, the requirements stipulated in the Strategic Environmental Assessment for Wind and

Department of Defence.

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Solar Photovoltaic Energy in South Africa, 2015 (Part 3 Section 8) related to sensitivity areas are applied. See attachment. This geospatial information has been included in the Environmental Screening Tool to be utilised by EAPs. However, the geospatial information only relates to the identified 9 REDZ focus areas but the Department of Defence still applies these sensitivities in areas outside these focus areas. For this reason, a protocol for the specialist assessment and minimum report content requirements for environmental and other impacts on defence installations have been gazetted on 20 March 2020. See attachment.

In terms of this protocol, EAPs are required to verify the site sensitivity in the form of a report to confirm the current land use and environmental sensitivity as per section 2 of the protocol. In accordance with section 3, a specialist assessment and minimum report requirement should consist of a Defence Compliance Statement which would require a comment, in writing, from the Department of Defence confirming no unacceptable impact on military areas of interest and if needed further assessment with mitigating measures as per para 2.3.4 and 2.3.5 of the protocol.

In terms of the various levels of military mandate, the appointed military environmental officer within the province will be the point of liaison in terms of the I&AP process on your database, however for the purposes of written comment required from the Department of Defence the mandate lies at a higher level. For obtaining written comment, the developer or the EAP will have to personally request written comment from the Director Facilities at the Logistics Division of the Department of

DATE OF COMMENT,

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	Defence at email clogfac@gmail.com for incorporation into the Defence Compliance Statement.		
	I hope this will assist you in your process going forward. Kind Regards		

# A STAKEHOLDER DATABASE

Camden Renewable Energy Cluster - Stake	eholder Database
COMPANY/PROPERTY OWNED	POSITION
LAND OWNERS	
Camden 1	
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 (Leasee& Servituzeelie)	Zeelie Broers CC
Portion 3- Farm No 422 (Lease & Servitude)	Zeelie 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
Camden 2	
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 Buhrmann
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
WARD COUNCILLORS	
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Ward 11 Councillor
Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Municipality	Ward 7 Councillor
COMMENTING AUTHORITIE	
	Directorate: Integrated Environmental
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Authorisations
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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Authorisations  Directorate: Integrated Environmental
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Authorisations  Directorate: Biodiversity
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Conservation
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Directorate: Biodiversity  Conservation  Directorate: Biodiversity
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	Conservation
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	Deputy Director: Environmenmtal
Environmental Affairs	Impact Management

Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Environmental officer- EIA
NATIONAL AUTHORITIES	
Department or 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
epartment 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	Management
PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES	
2 (2)	Sub-Directorate: Wine Environmental
Department of Mineral Resources (DMR)	Management Regional Manager – Mpumalanga
Ipumalanga Department of Minerals and Resources (DMR)	Region Region
Ipumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Acting Chief Director
Ipumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Control Officer
pumalanga Departments of Water and Sanitation (DWS)	Regional Director: Mpumalanga
pumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and nvironmental Affairs	Deputy Director: Environmenmtal Impact Management
Ipumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and invironmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Environmental officer- EIA
Ipumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Head of Department
Ipumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and invironmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Chief Director (Environmental Services)
Ipumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and	Chief Director: Land Restitution
nvironmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Support
Ipumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and invironmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Director: Quality Assurance
Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA)	Information Management Support
Mpumalanga Department Agriculture, Rural Development, Land	Deputy Director: Environmental
and Environment Affairs (DARDLEA)	Impact Management Regional Land Claims Commissioner
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Mpumalanga
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)  Mpumalanga Department of Water and Sanitation: Oliphant's Proto-	Chief Directorate: Climate Change Monitoring, Evaluation and Mitigation Directorate: IE Water Quality
CMA	Management
Mpumalanga Department of Social Development	Head of Department
/Ipumalanga 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	Head of Department
Mpumalanga Department of Co-Operative Governance and	
Fraditional Affairs	Acting Head of Communications

Mnumalanga Haritaga Pasaurasa Authority	Provincial Heritage Resources Officer
Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Authority	Heritage Officer
Mpumalanga Heritage Resources Agency  Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency	<u> </u>
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Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency	Planning
Department of Defence Mpumalanga	Director Facilities: Logistics Division
Department of Defence Force Mpumalanga	Officer Commanding
LOCAL MUNICIPA	ALITIES
MSUKALIGW	/A
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
<u> </u>	MMC for Technical Services
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Manager Local Economic
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Development (LED)
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	IDP Manager
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Tranversal Coodinator (Office of the Chief Whip)
Msukaligwa Local Municipality	Town Planning Department
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Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Executive Mayor
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Acting Municipal Manager
Dr Pixley Ka Seme Local Municipality	Speaker
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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	Development (LED) & IDP
DISTRICT MUNICI	PALITY
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Executive Mayor
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Municipal Manager
00	Senior Environmental Officer/ Air
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Quality
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Air Quality Official
Gert Sibande District Municipality	District Air Quality Officer Senior Manager:Planning&
Gert Sibande District Municipality	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
	Environmental Officer: Municipal
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Health and Environmental Services  Ivianager: Iviunicipal Environmental
Gert Sibande District Municipality	Services
TRIBAL AUTHOR	RITIES
Gert Sibande Local House of Traditional Leaders	Secretary
Mpumalanga Provincial House of Traditional Leaders	Acting Chief Director
ORGANS OF STATE / P/	
Transnet Freight Rail	Senior Manager: Risk Management / Coal BU / Transnet Freight Rail
Transnet i reignt (val)	Coai DO / Hallshet Fleight Kall

Langcarel (Pty) Ltd (Mooiplaats Colliery) MC Mining	CEO Mooiplaats Colliery
MINING RIGHT HOLDERS	
Head of Technical Services	
Executive Engineering	
Obstacle Inspector	
AIR TRAFFIC AND WEATHER COM	//PANIES
Cell C	Area Manager
MTN	Head of Department
Vodacom	Regional Manager
CELL PHONE COMPANIES	S
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Dr Pixley Ka Seme Municipality Library  wsukangwa Locar wunicipanty Library ( wesselton,  i nusi vine,	Librarian
Gert Sibande District Municipality Library	Manager - Nosipho
PUBLIC PLACES	lu vi i
Mpumalanga District Farmers Association	
Inkomati Usuthu Catchment Agency (IUCMA)	Scientist
Inkomati Usuthu Catchment Agency (IUCMA)	Resources Utilization
	Environmental Office: Water
Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Areas (CMA)	Chief Executive Officer
Olifants River Forum	Olifants River Forum Coordinator
South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)  Waterval Forum	Chairperson
Mpumalanga Wetland Forum  South African National Riceliners by Institute (SANRI)	Chairperson
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	Chairnaraan
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Northern Region	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA):	
Transvaal Landbou Unie	
Mpumalanga Landbou Unie	Chief Executive Officer
Mpumalanga Agri SA	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Highland Grassland Field Officer
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Chief Executive Officer
BirdLife South Africa	Head of Department
Federation of Sustainable Environment (FSE)	Chief Executive Officer
Federation or Sustainable Environment (FSE) & Ivipumalanga Lakes District Protection Group	Representative
NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISA	TIONS
G7 Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd	Environmental Project Developer
GreenCape	
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	Project Developer
BUSINESSES	
Camden Power Station	, i oa manago.
Telkom/Blue Tech part of Telkom	Area Manager
Eskom Transmission Grid Planning Land and Rights  Eskom Transmission Land and Rights	Management  Mpumalanga Co-ordinator
Follows Transmission Orid Blancisco Land and Diebte	Senior Consultant Environmental
	Conjur Congultant Environmental

ANKER COAL	
Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga	
South 32	
KANGRA COAL	Community Investment Holdings
Hoyohoyo Mining (Pty) Ltd	Legal Asset and Property Management
Bulemin Resources	
Bulemin Resources	Legal Adviser for Canyon Coal
Bulemin Resources	

# BNOTIFICATIONS

# **B-1** ADVERTISEMENT

#### **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	Up to 210 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including	Wind	S&EIR	Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No.
(Pty) Ltd	associated infrastructure	Tananaireire Lies	BA	442
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	БА	<ul> <li>Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No.</li> <li>322</li> </ul>
Camden II Wind RF	Up to 210MW WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292
(Pty) Ltd	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated	Transmission Line	BA	Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293
	infrastructure	and Substation		Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295
Camden I Solar RF	Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including	Solar	S&EIR	Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290
(Pty) Ltd	associated infrastructure			Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No.
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated	Transmission Line	BA	296
	infrastructure	and Substation		Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm
Camden Green	Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure	Green hydrogen	S&EIR	No. 297
Energy RF (Pty) Ltd		and Ammonia		Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No.
ENERTRAG South	Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main	Transmission Line	S&EIR	327
Africa (Pty) Ltd	Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure	and Substation		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									
Camden I WEF and SEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28				
and Camden II WEF	GNR 984	1	15								
	GNR 985	4	12	14							
Green Hydrogen and	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28	
Ammonia	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		stegory 7: Inorganic Chemicals Industry Subcategory 7.1: Production and or Use in Manufacturing of Ammonia, Fluori porine Compounds, Chlorine, and Hydrogen Cyanide							nia, Fluorine,	

#### 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
	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000
Ermelo	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	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents		
Datafree Website	https://wsp-engage.com/		

The contact details of the EAP are:

Name: Babalwa Mqokeli Tel: 031 240 8804 Fax: 011 361 1381 E-mail: babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com

Address: PO Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152



#### 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 Wekhwalithi 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 Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Umoya  Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR BA	Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442 Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322 Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No.
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Umoya  Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR BA	<ul> <li>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</li> </ul>
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngelanga (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 100, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ilanga Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR BA	No. 296 Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297 Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwinani elingu 400kV, kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-Common Collector kanye ne-Main Transmission Substation, nokunye)	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne- ammonia Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR S&EIR	Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326

#### 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 lephrojekthi	Isaziso Sohlu				Iziba	angeli ezisebe	nzayo			
Camden I WEF and SEF and	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28			
Camden II WEF	GNR 984	1	15							
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
Green Hydrogen and	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28
Ammonia	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	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (	c), 21 (i) and 2	1 (g)						
kufanele)										
AEL	GNR 893				makhemikhali Ar Iuorine, I-Chlorin			nye noma Ukuse	etshenziswa E	kukhiqizeni I-

#### 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 ibuyekezwe futhi kuphawulwe ngayo izinsuku ezingamashumi amathathu (30 days) kusukela 25 February 2022 kuya ku-28 March 2022.

Indawo		Ikheli	Ucingo:	
	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000	
Ermelo	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	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents			
Datafree Website	https://wsp-engage.com/			

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



#### **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> <li>Gedeelte 0, 1 en 3 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 442</li> <li>Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322</li> </ul>
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	<ul> <li>Gedeelte 2 en 10 van Uitkomst Plaas No. 292</li> <li>Gedeelte 3 van Langverwatch Plaas No. 293</li> </ul>
Camden II Wind RF	Tot en met 210 MW WEF insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Wind	S&OIR	Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No. 295
(Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290     Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople Plaas No. 296
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR	Gedeelte 3,4 en 5 van Buhrmansvallei Plaas No. 297
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	<ul> <li>Gedeelte 3 en 6 van De Emigrate Plaas No. 327</li> <li>Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326</li> </ul>
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 Omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

Projek Naam	Noteringskennisgewing				Toe	epaslike snell	ers			
Camden I WEF and SEF	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28			
and Camden II WEF	GNR 984	1	15							
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
Green Hydrogen and	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28
Ammonia	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)								
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#### REGISTRASIE

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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 (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 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
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including	Transmission Line and Substation	S&EIR	Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297
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## **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				
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#### **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

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The contact details of the EAP are:

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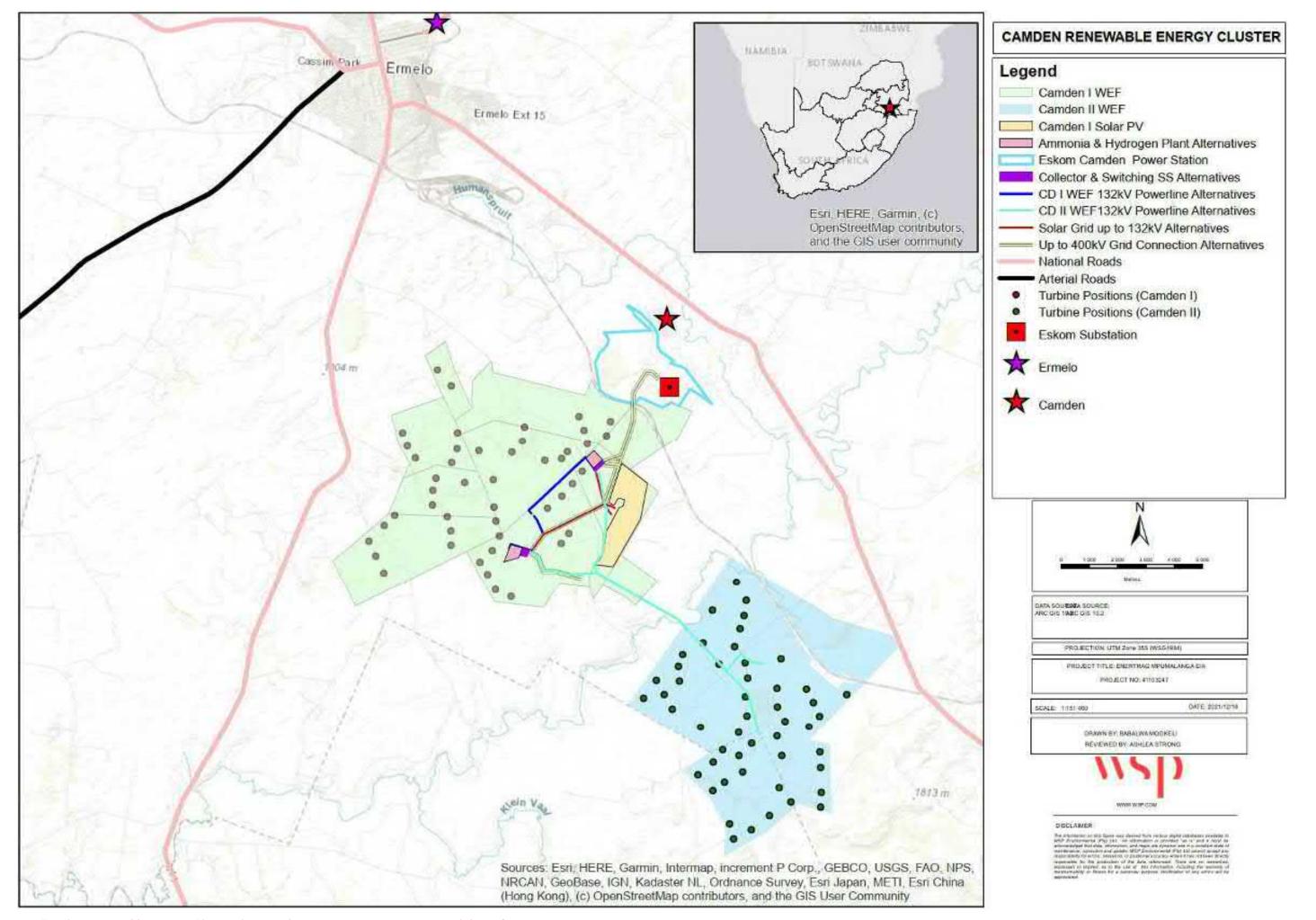


Figure 1: Camden Renewable Energy Cluster showing the respective projects comprised thereof.

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#### **INCAZELO NENDAWO**

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Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye	Umoya	S&EIR	Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442
	nengqalasizinda ehlobene			Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen Farm No. 322
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst Farm No. 292
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 210, kanye	Umoya	S&EIR	Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293
	nengqalasizinda ehlobene			Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi ngelanga (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 100, kanye	llanga	S&EIR	Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296
	nengqalasizinda ehlobene			Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu 132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda edingekile	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	BA	Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No. 327
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne-ammonia	S&EIR	Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm No. 326
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwinani elingu 400kV, kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-Common Collector	Ulayini Wokudlulisa kanye Nesiteshi Esincane	S&EIR	·
	kanye ne-Main Transmission Substation, nokunye)			

#### 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 lephrojekthi	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	28
	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, n				e, I-Chlorine, ne-Hydrog	en Cyanide			

#### **UKUBHALIS**

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 ibuyekezwe futhi kuphawulwe ngayo izinsuku ezingamashumi amathathu (30 days) kusukela 25 February 2022 kuya ku-28 March 2022.

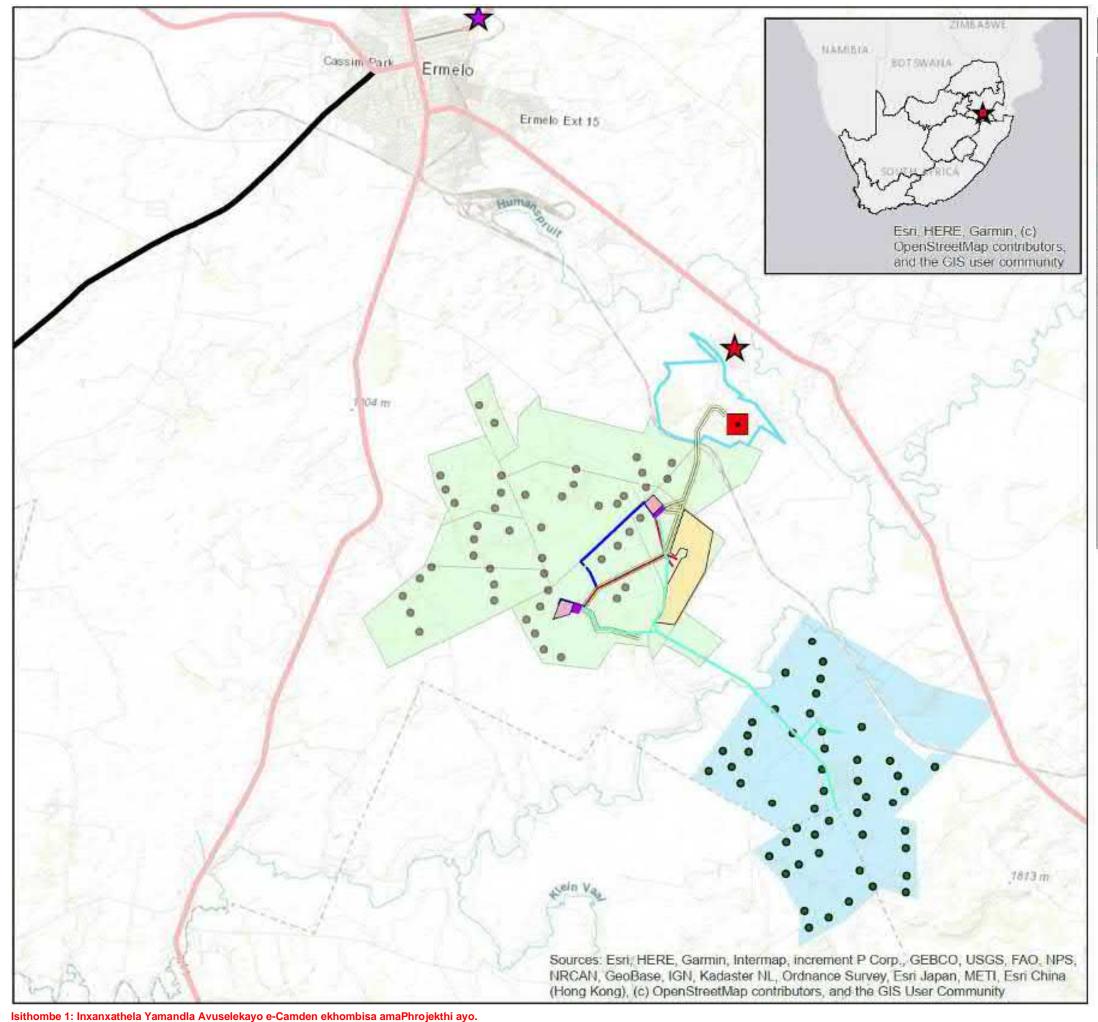
Indawo		Ikheli	Ucingo:	
Ermelo	Gert Sibande District Municipality	Cnr Joubert & Oosthuise Streets	017 801 7000	
	Ermelo Public Library (umtapowolwazi e-Ermelo)	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street	017 801 3500	
	Thusiville Public Library (umtapowolwazi e-Thusiville)	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119	
	Msukaligwa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

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 Siqu: I-WSP izocubngula 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 Iminingwane Yomuntu Siqu 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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# **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	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 210 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 Langverwatch Plaas No. 293
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR	Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No. 295
	Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Transmissielyn en substasie	BE	Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Waterstof- en Ammoniakaanleg en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&OIR	Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople Plaas No. 296
ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 400kV-kraglyn, gemeenskaplike versamelaar en hooftransmissiesubstasie insluitend	Transmissielyn en substasie	S&OIR	Gedeelte 3,4 en 5 van Buhrmansvallei Plaas No. 297
	geassosieerde infrastruktuur			Gedeelte 3 en 6 van De Emigrate Plaas No. 327
				Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326

#### **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 Omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

Projek Naam	Noteringskennisgewing					Toepaslike snellers				
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 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: Anorga	Categorie 7: Anorganiese chemikalieë-industrie Subkategorie 7.1: Produksie en of gebruik in die vervaardiging van ammoniak, fluor, fluorverbindings, chloor en waterstofsianied							

#### **REGISTRASII**

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.

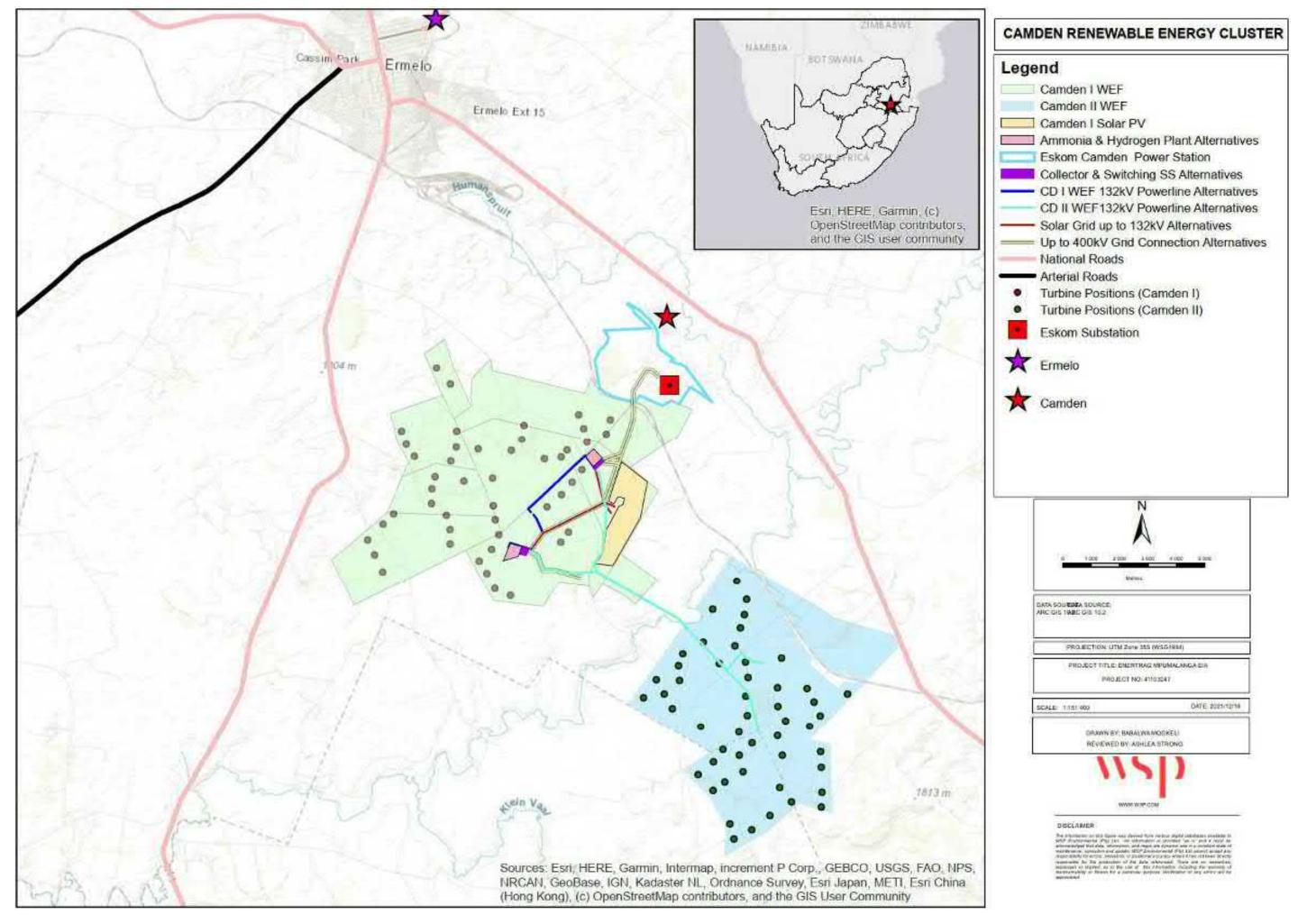
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Ermelo	Thusiville Publieke biblioteek	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119					
	Msukaligwa Plaaslike Munisipaliteit Ermelo Kantoor	Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Straat	017 801 3500					
WSP Webwerf	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents							
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Die kontakbesonderhede van die OEP is:

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Beskerming van persoonlike inligting: WSP sal sekere persoonlike inligting oor jou as 'n belanghebbende en geaffekteerde party (B&GP) verwerk vir doeleindes om jou registrasie as 'n B&GP moontlik te maak en jou besonderhede op ons databasis te stoor, indien jy daartoe instem. WSP sal hierdie besonderhede gebruik om jou te kontak oor ander relevante projekte in die toekoms. WSP sal altyd jou persoonlike inligting verwerk in ooreenstemming met die Wet op die Beskerming van Persoonlike Inligting 4 van 2013. Jy is geregtig om jou regte as 'n datasubjek uit te oefen en ons te laat weet as jy as 'n B & GP gederegistreer wil word of as jy geen langer wil hê dat u kontakbesonderhede op ons databasis ingesluit moet word.





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

# **B-3** NOTIFICATION LETTER



Client ref.: Camden Renewable Energy Complex

WSP ref.: 41103247

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:

- 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:

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  Residue 2 and 10 a GM/Hz and Farm No.
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 200MW WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR	<ul> <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	<ul><li>Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li><li>Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm No. 290</li></ul>
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure	Solar	S&EIR	• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of Adrianople Farm No. 296
	Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure	Transmission Line and Substation	BA	<ul> <li>Portion 3,4 and 5 of Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297</li> <li>Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate Farm No.</li> </ul>
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd	Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure	Green hydrogen and Ammonia	S&EIR	<ul> <li>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		S&EIR	

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## **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				APPLIC	ABLE TRI	GGERS			
Camden I WEF and	GNR 983	11	12	19	24	27	28			
SEF and Camden II WEF	GNR 984	1	15							
WEI	GNR 985	4	12	14						
Green Hydrogen and	GNR 983	9	11	12	13	14	19	25	27	28
Ammonia	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	Section 21	21 (a), 21 (	(c), 21 (i) an	d 21 (g)						
applicable)										
AEL	GNR 893		_		Industry Sub				se in Manu	facturing of
		Ammonia, Fluorine, Fluorine Compounds, Chlorine, and Hydrogen Cyanide								

#### REGISTRATION

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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

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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 24 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	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-doc	cuments	
Datafree Website	https://wsp-engage.com/		

CONTRA CENTO



The contact details of the EAP are:

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Protection of Personal Information: WSP will be processing certain personal information about you as an interested and affected party (I&AP) for purposes of enabling your registration as an I&AP and storing of your details on our database, if you consent for us to do so. WSP will use these details to contact you about other relevant projects in the future. WSP will always process your personal information in accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013. You are entitled to exercise your rights as a data subject and let us know if you wish to be deregistered as an I & AP or if you no longer want your contact details to be included on our database.

Kind regards,

Ashlea Strong Associate



Client ref.: Camden Renewable Energy Complex

WSP ref.: 41103247

25 February 2022

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 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 Wekhwalithi 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 200, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene	Umoya		• Portion 0, 1 and 3 of Klipfontein Farm No. 442	
	ku 200, kanye nengqarasizinda emobene			• Portion 1 and 2 of Welgelegen	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu	Ulayini Wokudlulisa		Farm No. 322	
	132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda	kanye Nesiteshi Esincane		• Portion 2 and 10 of Uitkomst	
	edingekile			Farm No. 292	
Camden II Wind		Umoya	S&EIR	• Portion 3 of Langverwatch Farm No. 293	
RF (Pty) Ltd	ngomoya (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika ku 200, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene			<ul> <li>Portion 3 of Klipbank Farm No. 295</li> </ul>	
	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu	Ulayini Wokudlulisa	BA	Portion 14 of Mooiplaats Farm	
	132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda	kanye Nesiteshi Esincane		No. 290	
	edingekile			• Portion 0, 2 and 3 of	
Camden I Solar	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo esiphehla ugesi	Ilanga	S&EIR	Adrianople Farm No. 296	
RF (Pty) Ltd	ngelanga (WEF) esikhiqiza inani lama-MW afika			• Portion 3,4 and 5 of	
	ku 100, kanye nengqalasizinda ehlobene			Buhrmansvallei Farm No. 297	

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#### UMFAKISICELO IPROJEKTHI

#### YOBUCHWEPHESHE INQUBO AMAGAMA EPULAZI

	Ulayini odlulisa ugesi ofika kwi nani elingu	Ulayini Wokudlulisa	BA	• Portion 3 and 6 of De Emigrate
	132kV, isiteshi esincane kanye nengqalasizinda	kanye Nesiteshi Esincane		Farm No. 327
	edingekile			• Portion 5 of Klipfontein Farm
Camden Green	Isikhungo se-Hydrogen and Ammonia kanye	I-hydrogen eluhlaza ne-	S&EIR	No. 326
Energy RF (Pty)	nengqalasizinda ehlobene	ammonia		
Ltd				
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South Africa (Pty)	kuhlanganise nengqalasizinda ehlobene (i-	kanye Nesiteshi Esincane		
Ltd	Common Collector kanye ne-Main Transmission			
	Substation, nokunye)			
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#### 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.

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400kV Ulayini	GNR 983	12	19	27	28					
wamandla	GNR 984	9	15							
	GNR 985	4	12	14						
132kV Izintambo	GNR 983	11	12	19	27	28				
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AEL	GNR 893	Ukusetsh	_			akhemikhali I-Fluorine,			-	-

#### **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 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					
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	Thusiville Public Library (umtapowolwazi e- Thusiville)	Wesselton Ext 2	082 797 5119					
	Msukaligwa Local Municipality Ermelo Office	ocal Municipality Ermelo Office Cnr. Tauta St &, Kerk Street						
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Datafree Website	https://wsp-engage.com/							

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**Igama:** Babalwa Mqokeli **Ucingo:** 031 240 8804 **iFekisi:** 011 361 1381

i-Imeyili: <u>babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com</u> Ikheli: PO Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

Ukuvikelwa kweMniningwane yoMuntu Siqu: I-WSP izocubngula 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 Iminingwane Yomuntu Siqu 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.

Ozithobayo,

Ashlea Strong Associate



Client ref.: Camden Renewable Energy Complex

WSP ref.: 41103247

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)

#### 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
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#### TEGNOLOGIE PROSES PLAASNAME

Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 200 MW Windenergiefasiliteit (WEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur  Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur		S&OIR BE	<ul> <li>Gedeelte 0, 1 en 3 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 442</li> <li>Gedeelte 1 en 2 van Welgelegen Plaas No. 322</li> </ul>
Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 200 MW WEF insluitend verwante infrastruktuur  Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur		S&OIR BE	<ul> <li>Gedeelte 2 en 10 van Uitkomst Plaas No. 292</li> <li>Gedeelte 3 van Langverwatch Plaas No. 293</li> <li>Gedeelte 3 van Klipbank Plaas No.</li> </ul>
Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd	Tot en met 100MW sonkragfasiliteit (SEF) insluitend verwante infrastruktuur  Tot en met 132kV Kraglyn, substasie en verwante infrastruktuur	Sonkrag	S&OIR BE	<ul> <li>295</li> <li>Gedeelte 14 van Mooiplaats Plaas No. 290</li> <li>Gedeelte 0, 2 en 3 van Adrianople</li> </ul>
Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd ENERTRAG	Waterstof- en Ammoniakaanleg en gepaardgaande	and Ammonia	S&OIR S&OIR	<ul> <li>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> </ul>
South Africa (Pty) Ltd		_	Беопс	• Gedeelte 5 van Klipfontein Plaas No. 326

Building C Knightsbridge, 33 Sloane Street Bryanston, 2191 South Africa



#### **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 Omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (OEP), besonderhede hieronder verskaf.

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#### 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 ADDRES	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	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents				
Datavry Webwerf	https://wsp-engage.com/				



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Beskerming van persoonlike inligting: WSP sal sekere persoonlike inligting oor jou as 'n belanghebbende en geaffekteerde party (B&GP) verwerk vir doeleindes om jou registrasie as 'n B&GP moontlik te maak en jou besonderhede op ons databasis te stoor, indien jy daartoe instem. WSP sal hierdie besonderhede gebruik om jou te kontak oor ander relevante projekte in die toekoms. WSP sal altyd jou persoonlike inligting verwerk in ooreenstemming met die Wet op die Beskerming van Persoonlike Inligting 4 van 2013. Jy is geregtig om jou regte as 'n datasubjek uit te oefen en ons te laat weet as jy as 'n B & GP gederegistreer wil word of as jy geen langer wil hê dat u kontakbesonderhede op ons databasis ingesluit moet word.

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:

Consultant: Babalwa Mqokeli

Address: P.O. Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

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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	
Extent	Approximately 6 475 ha	Approximately 307 ha	Approximately 4 835 ha	
Buildable Area	Approximately 200 ha	Approximately 280 ha	Approximately 200 ha	
Capacity	Up to 210 MW	Up to 100MW	Up to 210 MW	
Technology	Wind	Solar Photovoltaic (PV)	Wind	
Number of Turbines	Up to 47	-	Up to 50	
Turbine Hub height	Up to 200m	-	Up to 200m	
Rotor Diameter	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.



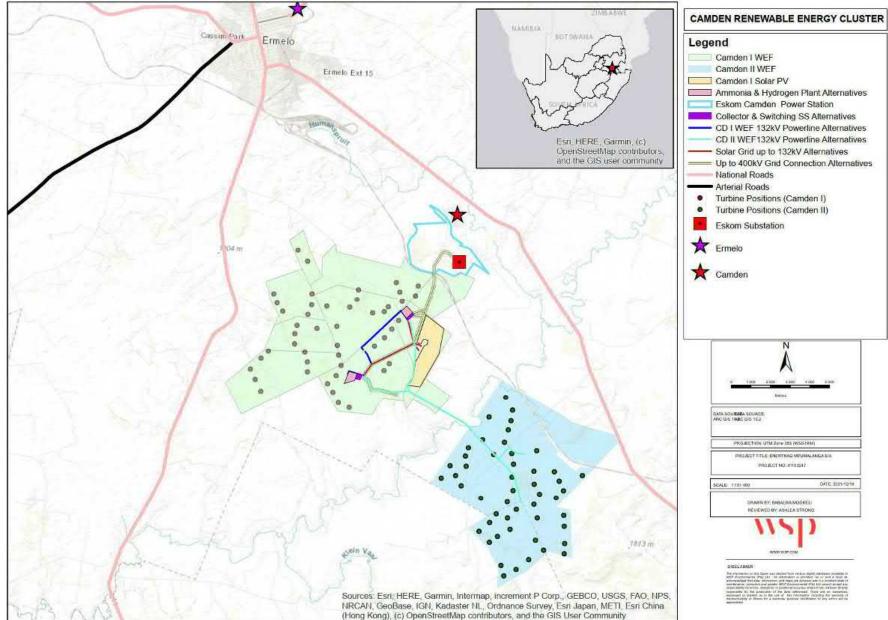


Figure 1: Camden Renewable Energy Cluster showing the respective projects comprised thereof.



#### **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 (NEM:AQA). 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.



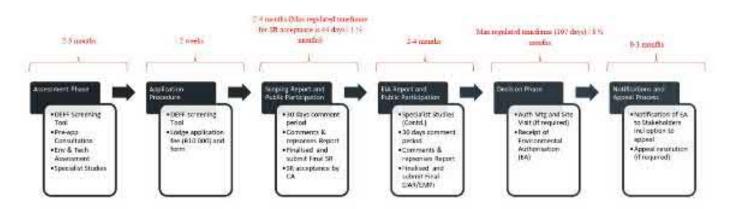


Figure 3: S&EIA Process

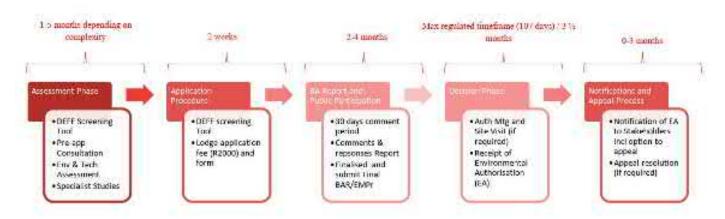


Figure 4: BA Process

# 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:

Babalwa Mqokeli 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:

Name:					
Organisation & Designation:					
Address:					
Telephone;					
Mobile:					
E-mail:					
LANDOWNERS:					
If your property is adjacent to Proj and erf/portion number	ect Area, please tel	l us your farm name			
WOULD YOU LIKE TO REGI	STER AS AN INT	ERESTED AND AFF	ECTED PARTY?		
_	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				
Please include my details on WSP	's database to conta	nct me about future proje	ects in my area	YES	NO
In terms of the EIA Regulations amended), I disclose below any of financial, personal or other inter	lirect business,	Date			
have in the approval or refusal or application:	of the	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:

#### **Protection of Personal Information:**

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.
  - WSP may share your information with its service providers but will never sell your personal information or use it for any purpose other than as set out here and in the Privacy Notice.
- Your rights as a data subject: You can tell us at any stage if you want to be deregistered as an I&AP for this project or if you do not want your contact details to be included in our database for us to contact you about future projects. Please refer to our Privacy Notice for more information about your rights and how to contact us regarding your rights.

# **APPENDIX**

# **B-4** E-MAIL NOTIFICATIONS

# Strong, Ashlea

From: Strong, Ashlea

Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 11:42

To: Strong, Ashlea
Cc: Mqokeli, Babalwa

Subject: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE

**ENERGY COMPLEX - Draft Scoping Report Review** 

Attachments: 41103247\_20220204\_Enertrag\_Camden\_Notification Letter\_Zulu\_Final.pdf;

41103247\_20220204\_Enertrag\_Camden\_Notification Letter\_Afrikaans\_Final.pdf; 41103247\_20220204\_Enertrag\_Camden\_Notification Letter\_English\_Final.pdf

#### Dear Stakeholders

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)

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:

- Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Up to 200 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including associated infrastructure
  - o Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Up to 200MW WEF including associated infrastructure
  - o Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure
  - o Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure
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Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 12:52

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# **B-6** PROOF OF REPORTS AVAILABILITY

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# **B-7** COURIER PROOF



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# **APPENDIX**

# C MEETINGS

## **APPENDIX**

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

# APPENDIX 1 COPY OF THE PRE-APPLICATION MEETING MINUTES

A copy of the approved Public Participation Plan and Proof of Approval is also included



JOB TITLE	Camden Renewable Energy Complex			
PROJECT NUMBER	41103247			
DATE	19 October 2021			
TIME	10h00 - 11h20			
VENUE	Online (MS Teams)			
SUBJECT	Pre-Application Meeting with DFFE (Ref: 2021-10-0008)			
CLIENT	ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd			
PRESENT	Olivia Letlalo (DFFE) – OL Makhosi Yeni (DFFE – MY Thando Booi (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			
APOLOGIES	Portia Makitla (DFFE) Seoka Lekota (DFFE)			
DISTRIBUTION	As above (Appendix A)			

MATTERS ARISING ACTION

1.0	INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME	
I	<ul> <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> <li>eived consent from all parties present to record the meeting.</li> <li>py of the PowerPoint presentation has been attached hereto for reference (Appendix B).</li> </ul>	
2.0	PRESENTATION AND DSICUSSION	

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#### 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 <u>does not</u> 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

#### 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

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

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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 subactivity 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 subactivity 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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- 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
- 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.
- <u>Post Meeting Note</u>: 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 <u>and S&EIA</u> 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 EMPrs for the substation and powerlines as part of the Grid Connections EMPrs.
- OL added that the amended version of the PP Plan must be submitted to MS, MY, TB, TH and OL.

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4.0 WAY FORWA	RD	
WSP to form	malise meeting minutes and submit via email to DFFE for approval.	<ul> <li>WSP to formalise meeting minutes</li> </ul>
No further points were ra	and distribute for	
The meeting was closed a	approval	

#### **APPROVED**

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WSP	Enertrag
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DFFE	
Name: Olivia Letlalo	-
Date: 18 November 2021	

#### **NEXT MEETING**

No additional meetings have been scheduled.

#### **APPENDIX A: MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Meeting Summary						
Total Number of Participants	12	2				
Meeting Title	2021-10-0008 - Enertrag - Camden I & II EA Proc	esses				
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)
Strong, Ashlea	10/19/2021, 9:54:13 AM	10/19/2021, 11:31:00 AM	1h 36m	Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com	Organizer	Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com
Mahlatse Shubane	10/19/2021, 9:54:21 AM	10/19/2021, 10:38:25 AM	44m 3s	mshubane@environment.gov.za	Presenter	mshubane@environment.gov.za
Thando Booi	10/19/2021, 9:54:22 AM	10/19/2021, 11:21:01 AM	1h 26m	tbooi@environment.gov.za	Presenter	tbooi@environment.gov.za
Thembisile Hlatshwayo	10/19/2021, 9:56:51 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:53 AM	1h 24m	thlatshwayo@environment.gov.za	Presenter	thlatshwayo@environment.gov.za
Olivia Letlalo	10/19/2021, 9:57:27 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:59 AM	1h 23m	oletlalo@environment.gov.za	Presenter	oletlalo@environment.gov.za
MMatlala Rabothata	10/19/2021, 9:57:37 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:56 AM	1h 23m	mrabothata@environment.gov.za	Presenter	mrabothata@environment.gov.za
Mqokeli, Babalwa	10/19/2021, 9:58:50 AM	10/19/2021, 11:38:16 AM	1h 39m	Babalwa.Mqokeli@wsp.com	Presenter	Babalwa.Mqokeli@wsp.com
Makhosi Yeni	10/19/2021, 10:00:08 AM	10/19/2021, 10:21:49 AM	21m 41s	myeni@environment.gov.za	Presenter	myeni@environment.gov.za
Makhosi Yeni	10/19/2021, 10:23:26 AM	10/19/2021, 11:21:09 AM	57m 43s	myeni@environment.gov.za	Presenter	myeni@environment.gov.za
Zwivhuya Mutele	10/19/2021, 10:00:46 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:55 AM	1h 20m	Zwivhuya.Mutele@enertrag.co.za	Presenter	Zwivhuya.Mutele@enertrag.co.za
Sean Maphosa	10/19/2021, 10:01:00 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:57 AM	1h 19m	Sean.Maphosa@enertrag.co.za	Presenter	Sean.Maphosa@enertrag.co.za
Gideon Raath	10/19/2021, 10:01:14 AM	10/19/2021, 11:20:55 AM	1h 19m	Gideon.Raath@enertrag.co.za	Presenter	Gideon.Raath@enertrag.co.za
Mahlatse Shubane	10/19/2021, 10:38:16 AM	10/19/2021, 10:43:40 AM	5m 23s		Presenter	

**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.

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#### Table 1: Proposed Public Participation Plan

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- 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.
- 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.

- 39 (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply in respect of—
- (a) linear activities;
- (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
- (c) strategic integrated projects as contemplated in the Infrastructure Development Act, 2014.

- Landowner Consent Letters are not required for linear activities.
- 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.

- 40 (1) The public participation process to which the—
- (a) basic assessment report and EMPr, and where applicable the closure plan, submitted in terms of regulation 19; and
- (b) scoping report submitted in terms of regulation 21 and the environmental impact assessment report and EMPr submitted in terms of regulation 23;

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.

- Notification of the availability of the Scoping and Environmental Impact (S&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.
- The Draft Reports will be made available to all stakeholders for a 30-day comment period as follows:
  - From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.
  - On the WSP website <u>as well as on a data free website<sup>1</sup> for</u> download.
  - Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices etc.
  - CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.
  - Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.

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&APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&APs.

- 40 (2) The public participation process contemplated in this regulation must provide
- Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&APs, and that they are afforded the opportunity to participate in the projects, as well

<sup>&</sup>lt;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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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—

- (a) the competent authority.
- (b) every State department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to an application for an environmental authorisation.
- (c) all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and
- (d) all potential, or, where relevant, registered interested and affected parties.
- 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.
- (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—

41(2) The person conducting a PPP must give

- (i) the site where the activity to which the application or proposed application relates is or is to be undertaken; and
- (ii) any alternative site;

notice to all potential I&APs by-

- (b) giving written notice, in any of the manners provided for in section 47D of the Act, to—
  - (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;

- as submit comments and raise any concerns and/or issues with regards to the proposed projects. This will include:
- Identification of stakeholders with a potential interest in the project will be at the outset of the project.
- All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the S&EIA and BA processes.
- 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.
- General communication (written notification) with identified stakeholders (public and other government departments/authorities) on the proposed projects.
- 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.
- Consultation of relevant communities via the Ward Councillor and/or community representative, in a manner determined and/or required during stakeholder engagement.
- Reports will be made available to all potential or registered I&APS following the submission of the applications to the DFFE, that is during the legislated relevant report review periods.
- 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.
- All I&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>
  - Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email
  - Written comments via email or fax
  - Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and
  - Via Whatsapp or SMS (including the use of "please call me").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- General communication (written notification) with stakeholders (public and government departments/authorities) throughout the respective environmental impact assessment (EIA) and basic assessment (BA) processes.
- Stakeholders will be added to the database on request as the project progresses.



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- (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;
- (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;
- (iv) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area;
- (v) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity; and
- (vi) any other party as required by the competent authority;
- (c) placing an advertisement in—
  - (i) one local newspaper; or
  - (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;

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.

extends beyond the boundaries of the metropolitan or district municipality in which it is or will be undertaken

(d) placing an advertisement in at least one It has been established that advertising in provincial and national newspapers is provincial newspaper or national newspaper, if not required as the impact of the activities do not extend beyond the boundaries of the activity has or may have an impact that the district municipality or province in which the Project will be undertaken.

- (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-
- (i) illiteracy;
- (ii) disability; or
- (iii) any other disadvantage.

- A consolidated I&AP database will be compiled for the project. Any existing I&AP databases for other projects in the area known to the applicant will be utilised as a basis for the database. These I&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&APs will be contacted telephonically and asked to confirm their preferred method of communication.
- 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.
- Virtual focus group meetings will be held in each phase of the project.
- 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.
- I&APs will be able to contact the EAP via email, fax, telephone, whatsapp or SMS (Including the use of "please call me").
- 41 (3) A notice, notice board or advertisement referred to in subregulation (2) must-
- (a) give details of the application or proposed application which is subjected to public participation; and
- 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.



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- (b) state—
  - (i) whether basic assessment or S&EIR procedures are being applied to the application;
  - (ii) the nature and location of the activity to which the application relates;
  - (iii) where further information on the application or proposed application can be obtained; and
- (iv) the manner in which and the person to whom representations in respect of the application or proposed application may be made.
- 41 (4) A notice board referred to in subregulation (2) must—
- (a) be of a size of at least 60cm by 42cm; and
- (b) display the required information in lettering and in a format as may be determined by the competent authority.

 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.

- 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—
- (a) such process has been preceded by a public participation process which included compliance with subregulation (2)(a), (b), (c) and (d); and
- (b) written notice is given to registered interested and affected parties regarding where the
  - revised basic assessment report or, EMPr or closure plan, as contemplated in regulation 19(1)(b);
  - (ii) revised environmental impact assessment report or EMPr as

 If the revised reports are required to undergo additional review, the requirements of Regulation 41(5) will be followed.



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contemplated in regulation 23(1)(b); or

(iii) environmental impact assessment report and EMPr as contemplated in regulation 21(2)(d):

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.

- 41 (6) When complying with this regulation, the person conducting the public participation process must ensure that—
- (a) information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application or proposed application is made available to potential interested and affected parties; and
- (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.
- Provision has been made to ensure all project information will be made available to all I&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.
- 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&APs during the 30-day public review period of the Draft Reports.
- All registered I&APs will be included in any communication regarding the application processes for the projects throughout the respective S&EIA and BA processes.

- 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.
- 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.

- (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—
- (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;
- 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.
- This stakeholder database will be updated on an ongoing basis as new stakeholders request to be registered.
- All stakeholders identified will be registered on the project stakeholder database, and the database will be maintained throughout the EIA and BA processes.
- The EAP will continue to ensure that individuals/organisations from referrals and networking are notified of the proposed project.



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- (b) all persons who have requested the proponent or applicant, in writing, for their names to be placed on the register; and
- (c) all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates.
- (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.
- (2) In order to give effect to section 24O 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.

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:

- From WSP on request and electronic copies can be shared via secure links that will be emailed.
- On the WSP website and on a data free website for download.
- Hard copies of the Reports will be placed at the relevant public places such as libraries, community halls, ward councillor offices
- CDs and/or Hard Copies submitted to the relevant Organs of State.
- Submitted to the DFFE via the DFFE online portal.

Comment forms (in a bound booklet) will be placed with the Draft Reports at the abovementioned public places. 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&AP wish to contact the EAP directly.

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&APs without access to the internet are provided access to the required documentation. Furthermore, the data free website will be available to all I&APs.

A Comment and Response Report (CRR) will be generated for inclusion in Final Reports for consideration by the competent authority.

- 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.
- (2)Where a person desires but is unable to access written comments as contemplated in subregulation (1) due to—
- (a) a lack of skills to read or write;
- (b) disability; or

All I&APs will be able to submit comments directly to the EAP in the following ways:

- Comments Forms via comment form booklets at public places or via fax or email
- Written comments via email or fax
- Telephonically for capturing by the EAP; and
- Via Whatsapp or SMS.

Comments received telephonically will be transcribed and captured as formal comments in the Comments and Responses Report.

I&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.



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(c) any other disadvantage;
reasonable alternative methods of recording
comments must be provided for.

decision on the application ensure that-

- (a) all registered interested and affected parties are provided with access to the decision and the reasons for such decision: and
- the attention of all registered (b) 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.

Regulation 44 (2) The applicant must, in Written notification of the decision on the EAs will be sent to all registered writing, within 14 days of the date of the I&APs, as well as communicated via Ward Councillors to I&APs that do not have access to internet and emails. Registered I&APs will be informed of the appeal procedure as well as advised that copies of the EA decisions can be provided on request.

#### Table 2: Meetings

#### PROJECT MEETINGS

Pre-Application Meeting	A pre-application consultation with DFFE was held on 19 October 2021 to discuss the proposed projects, proposed approach, and confirm the processes.
Public and/or Focus Group Meetings	<ul> <li>Virtual focus group meetings will be held in each phase of the project.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>

#### Mqokeli, Babalwa

From: Mahlatse Shubane < MSHUBANE@dffe.gov.za>

Sent: Thursday, 18 November 2021 08:43

To: Strong, Ashlea

Cc: Olivia Letlalo; Thando Booi; Makhosi Yeni; Thembisile Hlatshwayo; Gideon Raath;

Zwivhuya Mutele; Sean Maphosa; Mgokeli, 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**

# **C-2** DFFE PROTECTED AREAS MEETING



### **MEETING NOTES**

JOB TITLE	Camden Renewable Energy Complex
PROJECT NUMBER	41103247
DATE	31 March 2022
TIME	11h00 – 12h00
VENUE	Online (MS Teams)
SUBJECT	Focus Group Meeting with DFFE (permitting, Biodiversity and Protect Areas)
CLIENT	ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd
PRESENT	Makhosi Yeni (DFFE - Permitting) – MY Thando Booi (DFFE- Permitting) – TB Mahlatse Shubane (DFFE- Permitting) - MS Thembisile Hlatshwayo (DFFE- Permitting) - TH. Portia Makitla (DFFE - Biodiversity) – PM Aulicia Maifo (DFFE - Biodiversity) – AM Rofhiwa Magodi (DFFE – Protected Areas) -RM Gideon Raath (ENERTRAG) – GR Ashlea Strong (WSP) – AS Babalwa Mqokeli (WSP) – BM Bongani Motha (WSP) - BJ
APOLOGIES	None
DISTRIBUTION	As above (Appendix A)

MATTERS ARISING ACTION

1.0 INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME	
<ul> <li>AS welcomed the attendees.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>AS stated that the purpose of the meeting; was to clarify Draft Scoping Report (DSR) comments red</li> </ul>	ceived
from Mpumalanga Parks and Tourism Agency (MPTA) and Department Forestry, Fisherie	s and
Environment (DFFE) for the proposed Camden Renewable Energy Complex near Erme	elo in
Mpumalanga, with specific reference to the Language Private Nature Reserve.	
<ul> <li>This was followed by a round of introductions and an outline of the meeting agenda.</li> </ul>	
*AS received consent from all parties present to record the meeting.	
** A copy of a map indicating the location of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve has been attached	
hereto for reference (Appendix B).	
2.0 PRESENTATION AND DSICUSSION	

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#### 2.1 **Project Background and Description**

- AS stated, that the proposed Camden Renewable Energy Complex includes the following:
  - Camden, I Wind Energy Facility (up to 200MW) (subject to a S&EIR process).
  - 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).
  - Camden I Solar (up to 100MW) (subject to a S&EIR process).
  - 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).
  - Camden II Wind Energy Facility up to 132kV Grid Connection (subject to a BA Process); and
  - Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility, including grid connection infrastructure (subject to a S&EIR process).
- AS further indicated that the DRS was out for public review for a period of 30 days (from 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022 till the 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2022), and the proposed meeting involves getting clarity of comments raised by MPTA and DFFE.
- Both MPTA and DFFE have highlighted concerns regarding the Language Private Nature Reserve which falls within the farms affected by the proposed project. MTPA has provided the Gazette of the Language Private Nature Reserve.
- AS indicated that the landowner has owned the farm for 23 years and is not aware of the Private Nature reserve on the property and currently utilises the land portions for agricultural activities (grazing and livestock).
- GR also noted that the most recent title deed does not have any special inclusion with regards to the nature reserve.
- The purpose of the meeting is to get clarification on the approval in terms of Section 50 of the NEM:PAA
  as requested in the comments received from DFFE and to get advice on how this application should be
  undertaken.
- BM also summarised her previous discussions with MY on 30 March 2022 regarding the Section 50 approval, noting that MY had stated that the Approval did not have to be submitted with the Final Scoping Report, however, the response to the DFFE's comment should indicate that the issue is being dealt with and that the approval is being requested.
- MY confirmed that the summary provided was correct.

#### 3.0 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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

- MS stated that he has not seen the comments from MPTA and would like to get clarity and wanted to know what WSP/Client need assistance with?
- AS indicate that MPTA has highlighted that the Language Private Nature Reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61 and that the applicant must redesign the layout plan of the facilities by excluding the Protected Area 1km buffer and the CBA areas and wetlands as indicated in the attached MBSP based biodiversity maps.
- AS indicate the landowner is not aware of private nature reserve on his property and disagrees with the designation thereof. It was noted that the private nature reserve is reflected in the Mpumalanga CBA maps but on the ground but that the property is not managed as a nature reserve and that the management thereof is not consistent with the status thereof.
- AS also noted that there is uncertainty as to who the managing authority of the nature reserve will be?
- GR indicated that based on recent feedback from environmental legal experts, the understanding is that
  where there is no clear managing authority the landowner becomes the recognised managing authority.
- RM stated that the regulations indicate that the managing authority can be the landowner or the minister. In this case the online system (registry) shows that there is no name provided for the managing authority of this private reserve, however there is an organization we will try get organizations details so that you can get approval from them. The approval required in terms of section 50 of NEM:PAA is a letter of consent from the landowner. Since this land is a private nature the landowner is the manging authority and a signed letter of consent will be sufficient to cover section 50 of NEM:PAA.
  - During the course of the meeting it was agreed that the landowner was the Management Authority
- AS queried how the landowner can give consent if he is not even aware of the 1967 gazette?
- RM stated that the landowner is currently utilizing the land and is aware of activities on his property. The
  consent letter should indicate the current land use, list of farms and farm portions that he is giving consent

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to the applicant to utilize the farm portions for the proposed project, and this will be sufficient for Section 50 of NEM:PAA approval.

AS asked if a letter similar to the typical landowner consent form could be utilised or whether the DFFE ha a specific template?

RM stated that the consent must come from the landowner, WSP can draft it and discuss the content, but the letter must have letter head of the landowner company details. RM also noted that there is no template for such a letter.

- AS wanted to know if the consent letter must be sent directly to the department or can it be included as part of the Final Scoping Report?
- RM stated that the landowner does not have to send it directly to the Department. This letter can be attached as part of the Final Scoping Report or the Environmental Impact Assessment reports. He further stated that they did not receive the DRS and would have made similar comments with regards to the consent letter.
- AS indicated that the DFFE Protected Areas division has been added to the I&AP stakeholder register
  and will received information of the proposed project going forward. This meeting minutes will be
  included in the final Scoping Report.
- GR wanted to know if the department has dealt with this type of application before? And if the consent letter can be submitted in the final EIR or should it be submitted with the final scoping report.
- RM this is the first time that they are dealing with such an application. He did not have a concern with submission during EIA phase only, however suggested it would be better done in scoping phase time permitting.
- GR noted that the landowner has indicated that he is not interested in managing this area as a nature reserve, and would want to go through a process of deregistering the nature reserve. What process will the landowner have to undertake to deregister the property as a nature reserve?
- RM stated that it is possible to deregister a nature reserve in terms of section 23 of the NEM:PAA and there is a process that the landowner needs to follow including public participation.
- GR asked the DFFE to provide their input on how best to address the MTPA comment especially since
  they propose to exclude a large portion of the land, despite the currently land use not being consistent
  with a nature reserve.
- RM stated that if the nature reserve was not gazetted, MTPA would have put recommendations instead
  of exclusion. The best possible way to deal with this is to deregister the nature reserve.
- MS suggested that further engagement with the MPTA be undertaken by the applicant, WSP and the landowner to clarify the management area. The outcomes of the meeting with MPTA will guide the DFFE decision making in the EIA phase. MS further noted that the DFFE will not disregard the comments from MTPA and their inputs will inform DFFE's decision.
- AS wanted to know what does the department require WSP to clarify on Activity 30 of Listing Notice 1? The DFFE's comment requires confirmation of which listed process or activity in terms of Section 53(1) of the NEM:BA is being undertaken – however, there doesn't seem to be published list of processes or activities?
- TB wanted to know why Activity 30 is being applied for?
- AS stated that WSP confirm that the development will be located within the Eastern Highveld Grassland, Eastern Temperate Freshwater Wetlands and Chrissiesmeer Panveld. All three ecosystems are confirmed to be listed in the National List of Ecosystems that are Threated and in Need of Protection (as indicated in GNR 1002 of 9 December 2011).
- PM noted that GNR 1002 of 9 December 2011 should include the relevant list of processes and activities.
- AS stated that WSP would investigate this and update the description in the application form accordingly.
  - Post meeting Response: Due to the fact that these ecosystems are listed as threatened it is assumed that various threatened or protected species may be found within the development area. 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. WSP confirm that the response provided in the meeting has been included in the updated application forms to be submitted with the Final Scoping Reports

#### 4.0 WAY FORWARD

- WSP to formalise meeting minutes and submit via email to DFFE for approval.
- No further points were raised for discussion.

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#### **MEETING NOTES**

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-	— The meeting was closed at 11:00	minutes for
		approval

#### **NEXT MEETING**

No additional meetings have been scheduled.

#### **MEETING NOTES**

#### **APPENDIX A: MEETING ATTENDANCE**

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GR	Gideon Raath Accepted
R	Strong, Ashlea Accepted
вм	Motha, Bongani Accepted
MŚ	Mahlatse Shubane Accepted
РМ	Portia Makitla Accepted
ТВ	Thando Booi Accepted
АМ	Aulicia Maifo Unknown
тн	Thembisile Hlatshwayo Unknown
RM	Rofhiwa Magodi Unknown
TN	Thivhulawi Nethononda Unknown

#### APPENDIX B: MAP OF LANGCAREL PRIVATE NATURE RESERVE



Figure 1. Language Private Nature Reserve on the farm Welgelegen 322 IS and a portion of the farm Klipbank 295 IT. (Proclamation attached in Appendix 1).

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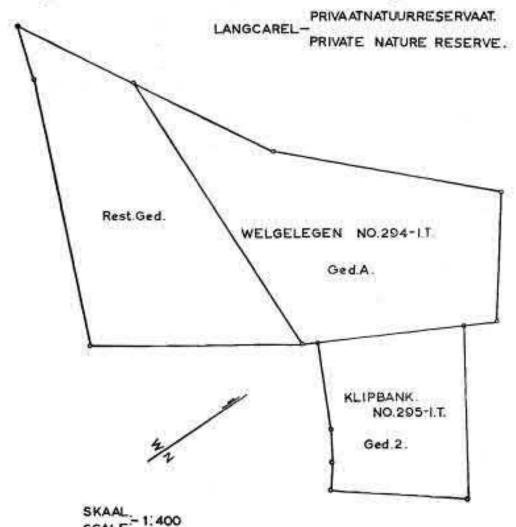
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# D COMMENTS

From: Strong, Ashlea

Sent: Wednesday, 30 March 2022 06:38

To: 'Mbuyane'

Cc: Mgokeli, Babalwa

**Subject:** RE: RE: Draft scoping comments for the Camden green hydrogen and ammonia

facility [Filed 30 Mar 2022 06:38]

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Kind regards

Ashlea

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Hi Babalwa,

Have you submitted them to our Department for comments.

Thank you, Sindi

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Thank you for the comments provided.

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Dear Medam,

draft socoping report: Activities associated with the camben green Hydrogen and ammonia (Ghaa) facility and associated infrastructure on PORTION 1 OF THE FARM WELGELEN 222 IT. ERMELO, MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

The draft scoping report which was submitted by you in respect of the abovementioned application and received by the Department on 25 February 2022 refers.

After careful consideration of the information contained, the following must be included in the

final scoping report (SR):

 The final SR must provide proof that ell potential and registered (&AP's, including the Organs) of State, were provided with access to end an opportunity to comment on the draft scooling. report following submission of the application form (Regulation 40(3)).

The final SR must include an issues and response report, as well as copies of and responses.

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You must therefore demonstrate that the provision of water, at the appropriate capacity, is: available before the application for environmental authorisation for the proposed development can be decided.

You are reminded of the requirements of Regulation 21(1), and that if such requirement is not.

met, the application will tapse in terms of the provisions of Regulation 45.

Please draw the applicant's attention to the fact that the activity may not commence order to an environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department and do not hesitate to contact this office if there are any enquiries.

Yours sincerely

Mg, S.B. MBU TANE

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Hi Sindi

Thank you for your feedback. Agreed – we will receive your comments in the EIA phase.

Kind regards

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Good day Ashlea,

Apologies, I just got back from site and rechecked the documents. I think it was an oversite on our side. May I request that we do not comment since commenting period has ended we will however comment on the Draft/Final EIAR as soon as it is available for comments.

Apologies for the inconveniences.

Kind regards Sindisiwe

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**From:** Dyer, Loren

**Sent:** Tuesday, 22 February 2022 09:42 **To:** bulelwam@gsibande.gov.za

Cc: Strong, Ashlea; Mqokeli, Babalwa; Singh, Nicole

**Subject:** 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I: Plan of Study

Attachments: 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I AIR\_Plan of Study\_FINALrev\_

20220221.pdf

#### Morning Bulelwa,

Please find attached, the Air Quality Plan of Study for a proposed Renewable Energy and Green Ammonia Facility near Ermelo, Mpumalanga. The applicant is Camden Green Energy (Pty) Ltd. WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd has been appointed to manage the environmental authorisation process (managed by Ms Ashlea Strong, copied) and to undertake the specialist air quality assessment. Kindly confirm receipt of this email and the attached document.

The proposed facility is a unique case in terms of the applicability of NEM:AQA Section 21 licensing. The details around this are documented in the Plan of Study. We look forward to your feedback and guidance on the proposed way forward.

I am available to discuss at your convenience.

#### Kind regards,



#### **Loren Dyer**

Senior Consultant

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**Sent:** Friday, 18 March 2022 14:25

**To:** Bulelwa Mthembu

Cc: Strong, Ashlea; Mqokeli, Babalwa; Singh, Nicole; Tebogo Mogakabe; Dan Hlanyane;

Gideon Raath

Subject: RE: 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I: Plan of Study

Afternoon Bulelwa,

Thank you for your email.

- 1. No. The facility will be powered by renewable wind energy.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Yes. The facility will produce ammonia.
- 4. The proposed production capacity is 100 000 tons per annum.

Kind regards,

#### **Loren Dyer**

Senior Consultant WSP in Africa

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From: Bulelwa Mthembu < Bulelwa S@gsibande.gov.za>

Sent: Friday, 18 March 2022 13:53

To: Dyer, Loren <Loren.Dyer@wsp.com>

Cc: Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>; Mgokeli, Babalwa <Babalwa.Mgokeli@wsp.com>; Singh, Nicole

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Subject: RE: 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I: Plan of Study

#### Good Afternoon Madam

Kindly assist or confirm the following in order for the Licensing Authority to make an informed decision on the inquiry as made:

- 1. Would the facility have a liquid or gas fuel stationary engines used for electricity generation?
- 2. If yes, what will be the heat input per unit in MW?
- 3. Would the facility produce ammonia or use ammonia in manufacturing?
- 4. If yes, what will be the capacity per annum in tons?

#### Regards Bulelwa

From: Dyer, Loren [mailto:Loren.Dyer@wsp.com]

**Sent:** 22 February 2022 09:42

To: Bulelwa Mthembu < <u>BulelwaS@gsibande.gov.za</u>>

Cc: Strong, Ashlea <<u>Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com</u>>; Mqokeli, Babalwa <<u>Babalwa.Mqokeli@wsp.com</u>>; Singh, Nicole

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The proposed facility is a unique case in terms of the applicability of NEM:AQA Section 21 licensing. The details around this are documented in the Plan of Study. We look forward to your feedback and guidance on the proposed way forward.

I am available to discuss at your convenience.

#### Kind regards,



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**From:** Dyer, Loren

Sent: Wednesday, 23 March 2022 08:00

To: Bulelwa Mthembu

Cc: Strong, Ashlea; Mqokeli, Babalwa; Singh, Nicole; Tebogo Mogakabe; Dan Hlanyane;

Gideon Raath

Subject: RE: 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I: Plan of Study

#### Morning Bulelwa,

The licensing authority's decision is noted. Please confirm that this application will take the form of a provisional AEL?

Please also advise whether the authority is satisfied with the specialist air quality input being a qualitative assessment considering an emissions inventory and dispersion modelling assessment is not possible at this time.

Kind regards,

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Subject: RE: 41103247-004\_Camden Green Energy-Camden I: Plan of Study

#### **Good Evening Madam**

Based on the information provided to the Licensing Authority, your facility is listed in terms of NEMAQA. An application for an Atmospheric Emission Licence should be submitted on SAAELIP.

#### Kind Regards

#### Bulelwa Mthembu

Air Quality Officer

Gert Sibande District Municipality – Community & Social Services – MH & ES

Cnr of Joubert & Oosthuise Str • PO Box 1748 • Ermelo • 2350

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Afternoon Bulelwa,

Thank you for your email.

- 1. No. The facility will be powered by renewable wind energy.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Yes. The facility will produce ammonia.
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**From:** Frans Krige < Frans.Krige@mtpa.co.za>

**Sent:** Monday, 07 March 2022 08:34

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

**Cc:** Thabile Mnisi; Johan Eksteen

**Subject:** Re: Strong, Ashlea shared the folder "Camden Public Review" with you.



Noted.

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

**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 1:21 PM

To: Frans Krige

Cc: Thabile Mnisi; Johan Eksteen

Subject: RE: Strong, Ashlea shared the folder "Camden Public Review" with you.

Hi Frans

Just to confirm – the hard copies were couriered on Wednesday evening – so should have arrived at your offices already – or will be there early next week at the latest

Kind regards

Ashlea

#### **Ashlea Strong**

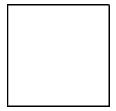
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From: Frans Krige <Frans.Krige@mtpa.co.za>
Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 15:02
To: Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>

Cc: Thabile Mnisi < Thabile. Mnisi@mtpa.co.za >; Johan Eksteen < Johan. Eksteen@mtpa.co.za >

Subject: RE: Strong, Ashlea shared the folder "Camden Public Review" with you.



Dear Me. Strong please deliver a hard copy of this proposal to Thabile Mnisi at MTPA Scientific Services for registration and commenting purposes.

Kind Regards Frans Krige LUAS

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Sent: Thursday, February 24, 2022 11:30 AM

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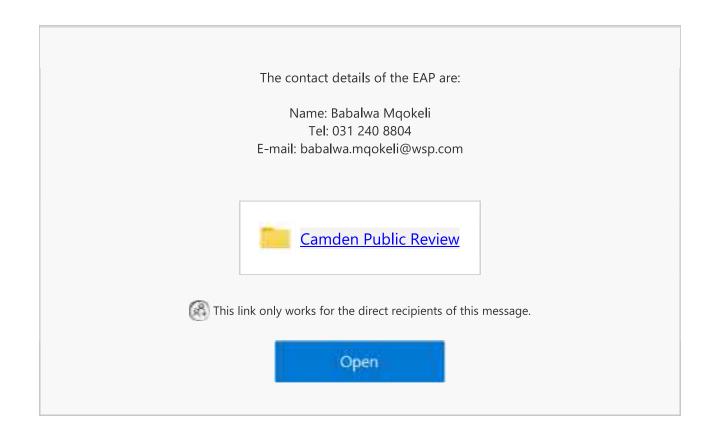


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Dear Commenting Authority

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX,
COMPRISING VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES, ERMELO, MPUMALANGA
Please find the link to the Draft Scoping Reports that are available for review and ocmment from 25

February to 28 March 2022.





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From: Nokwazi Ngobeni < Nokwazi.Ngobeni@mtpa.co.za>

**Sent:** Friday, 25 March 2022 09:20

To: Strong, Ashlea

**Cc:** Frans Krige; Thabile Mnisi; Johan Eksteen; Khumbelo Malele; Komilla Knarasoo;

Dibakwane Nokuthula

**Subject:** MTPA's Comments on the draft scoping report for the proposed Camden hydrogen

and Amonia Facility

Attachments: LUA 22.2961 DftScoping\_CamdenGreenHydrogen.Ammonia.Ermelo.pdf; LUA

22.2961 Langcarel Private Nature Reserve.pdf



#### Good day Me Strong

Please find the attached MTPA's Comments on the draft scoping report for the proposed Camden hydrogen and Amonia Facility.

Ref: LUA 22/2961

Warm regards Nokwazi Ngobeni

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Attention: Ashlea Strong

WSP Group Africa (PTY) Ltd P.O. Box 98867 Sloane Park BRYANSTONE 2152

Fax: 0866067121

Email: Ashlea:Strong@wsp.com

Dear Me Strong

SUBJECT: THE MTPA COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CAMDEN I GREEN HYDROGEN AND AMONIA FACILITY FOR THE ENERTRAG – CAMDEN I GREEN ENERGY (RF) (PTY)LTD PROJECT NEAR ERMELO IN MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. PRE-APLICATION REFERENCE NUMBER 2021-10-0008, WSP REF 41103247.

With reference to your correspondence reference WPS ref: 41103247 of date February 2022 our comments:

The MTPA is concerned about the layout of this proposal. Portions 1 and 2 of the farm Welgelegen 322 IS (Figure 1) is part of a proclaimed private nature reserve. Language Private Nature Reserve was gazetted with no 3256 of 1967 and notice 61. A copy of the proclamation is attached.

Please consult the DFFE protected Area Data base. There seems to be confusion about the farm Weltevreden's registration numbers.

#### Recommendation:

The site layout plan should be redesigned. An alternative layout plan must be found outside the boundaries of the Protected Area and its 1km buffer and the CBA areas and wetlands as indicated in the MBSP based maps.

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 findings of very high and high sensitivity status of the habitat by the preliminary David Hoare Consulting (2021) study has highlighted the possible occurrence of certain Conservation important species that might be affected.





The onsite status of species such as the different Cranes species, Secretary bird, Black-footed Cat (Felis nigripes), African Striped Weasel (Poecilogale albinucha), South African Hedgehog (Atelerix frontalis), Swamp Musk Shrew (Crocidura mariquensis), Any Reptiles and Amphibians such as the Giant Bullfrog (Pyxicephalus adspersus) and flying mammals must be determined.

The MTPA requires at least three on site flora studies must be done, to cover the growing season of the plants, the geophytes included.

The applicable Environmental legislation with specific reference to the Activities in Listing Notice 3: GNR 985 must be adhered to. Especially in the light that Langcarel PNR does exist.



Figure 1. MBSP based terrestrial biodiversity map of the Camden I GH&A project area as proposed. Note the locality of the PA and 1km PA buffer.

- No facilities without approval within the PA and 1 km buffer.
- No development within CBA irreplaceable areas,
- Development permissible within CBA optimal areas under certain conditions.







Figure 2. Langcarel Private Nature Reserve on the farm Welgelegen 322 IS and a portion of the farm Klipbank 295 IT. (Proclamation attached in Appendix 1).







Figure 3. 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 Important subcatchments in a natural state without lowering its PES.

Kind Regards

MR. J.J. EKSTEEN

MANAGER SCIENTIFIC SERVICES

DATE: 25 MARCH 2022



From: Strong, Ashlea

**Sent:** Thursday, 10 March 2022 11:54

To:Barbara De LangeCc:Mqokeli, Babalwa

**Subject:** RE: Camden Renewable Energy Complex [Filed 10 Mar 2022 11:54]

**Importance:** High

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Barbara De Lange

Mqokeli, Babalwa Delivered: 2022/03/10 11:55

Dear Barbara

Thank you for your email.

With regards to your request below I an provide the following feedback:

#### Title deed:

We do not have the title deeds for the properties affected. We currently believe that all the properties are zoned for agricultural use. However please find a list of the properties and their relevant SG codes for each of the 5 projects included in Section 2.1 of each of the Draft Scoping Reports.

#### **Motivation:**

The motivation for each of the 5 projects is clearly outlined in Section 2.6 of each of the Draft Scoping Reports. These reports can be obtained on the following links:

WSP	https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-
Website	documents
Datafree	https://wsp-engage.com/
Website	

#### Lay Out Plan of proposed development:

Again the layout plans for each of the 5 projects are included in Section 2.1 of each of the Draft Scoping Reports.

You are welcome to contact us should you have any additional queries.

Kind regards

#### **Ashlea Strong**

Associate WSP in Africa

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From: Barbara De Lange <BarbaraD@Dalrrd.gov.za>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 02 March 2022 14:05 **To:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com>

Subject:

Good day

#### Hope you are well

Can you please provide the department with the following outstanding documents of the Camden Renewable Energy Complex

Title deed Motivation Lay Out Plan of proposed development

Your quick respond will be highly appreciated Regards Barbara de lange

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From: Strong, Ashlea

**Sent:** Monday, 28 March 2022 14:38

To: Portia Makitla
Cc: Aulicia Maifo

**Subject:** RE: DSR COMMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN

RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX [Filed 28 Mar 2022 14:38]

Dear Portia

Thank you for your comments. I can confirm receipt

Kind regards

#### **Ashlea Strong**

Associate WSP in Africa

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From: Portia Makitla < PMakitla@dffe.gov.za>

Sent: Monday, 28 March 2022 14:22

**To:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com> **Cc:** Aulicia Maifo <amaifo@dffe.gov.za>

Subject: FW: DSR COMMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX

Dear Ms Strong.

I hope you are well.

Kindly find the attached comments for your attention.



Mrs. Mashienyane Portia Makitla

**CBO: Biodiversity Mainstreaming & EIA** 

Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

**Environment House** 

473 Steve Biko and Soutpansberg Streets

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Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 11:42
To: Strong, Ashlea < Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com >
Cc: Mgokeli, Babalwa < Babalwa.Mgokeli@wsp.com >

Subject: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX - Draft Scoping

**Report Review** 

**Dear Commenting Authority** 

# 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)

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:

- Camden I Wind RF (Pty) Ltd
  - Up to 200 MW Wind Energy Facility (WEF) including associated infrastructure
  - Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden II Wind RF (Pty) Ltd
  - Up to 200MW WEF including associated infrastructure
  - Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden I Solar RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Up to 100MW Solar Energy Facility (SEF) including associated infrastructure
  - o Up to 132kV Powerline, substation and associated infrastructure
- Camden Green Energy RF (Pty) Ltd
  - o Hydrogen and Ammonia Plant and associated infrastructure
- ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd
  - Up to 400kV Powerline, Common Collector and Main Transmission Substation including associated infrastructure

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 have been made available for 30 days from **24 February 2022 to 28 March 2022** - on the WSP website and via a One Drive Link for download.

- One Drive ( <u>Camden Public Review</u>)
- WSP website (https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents)

Please note that you will receive a separate email with the link to the one drive. This link will then request a verification number which will automatically be sent to your email address – if it doesn't seem to come through please check your "spam" folder.

The contact details of the EAP are:

Name: Babalwa Mqokeli Tel: 031 240 8804 Fax: 011 361 1381

E-mail: <u>babalwa.mqokeli@wsp.com</u>
Address: PO Box 98867, Sloane Park, 2152

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We look forward to your participation is this process.

### Kind regards



### **Ashlea Strong**

Associate

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Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 14:24

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

Cc: Portia Makitla; Aulicia Maifo

**Subject:** NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY

**COMPLEX - Draft Scoping Report Review** 

### Dear Ms Strong

DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the Draft Scoping Report for the proposed development of the Camden Renewable Energy complex, Mpumalanga Province. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Ms Makitla and Ms Maifo (both copied on this email).

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

### Regards,

Ms. Tsholofelo Sekonko

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From: Edward Mahosi <EMAHOSI@dffe.gov.za>

**Sent:** Friday, 25 March 2022 12:15

**To:** Mqokeli, Babalwa

**Cc:** Strong, Ashlea; Derrick Makhubele

**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE

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### Good Morning Babalwa,

Kindly note that Air Quality Comments/Inputs will only reach yourself after the closing date.

I will select projects that have air quality issues and only make comments/inputs on them.

### Regards,

From: Mgokeli, Babalwa [mailto:Babalwa.Mgokeli@wsp.com]

Sent: Tuesday, 22 March 2022 19:28

Cc: Strong, Ashlea < Ashlea. Strong@wsp.com>

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Best Regards,

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From: Mahlatse Shubane <MSHUBANE@dffe.gov.za>

**Sent:** Monday, 28 March 2022 20:26

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

**Cc:** gideon.raath@enertrag.co.za; Lydia Kutu; Ephron Maradwa; Makhosi Yeni

**Subject:** Comments on 14/12/16/3/3/2/2134/ 2135 and 2137

Attachments: 01 Comments\_on\_draft\_SR\_2134.pdf; 01 Comments\_on\_draft\_SR\_2135 (2).pdf; 01

Comments\_on\_draft\_SR\_2137 (1).pdf

Dear Ashley,

Attached please find the comments for the aforementioned projects for your consideration.

Best regards,

### Motha, Bongani

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From:

Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 14:09

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

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### Hi Ashley

We will comment on the WULA when submitted Regards

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Taking a five-minute shower a day instead of a bath, will use a third of the water, saving up to 400 liters of water a week.



**From:** Strong, Ashlea [mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com]

Sent: 24 February 2022 12:52 PM

**To:** Strong, Ashlea <Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com> **Cc:** Mqokeli, Babalwa <Babalwa.Mqokeli@wsp.com>

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From: Strong, Ashlea

**Sent:** Friday, 01 April 2022 17:42

To: Stakeholder details have been redacted as required by POPIA

**Cc:** EWT EIA Applications

Subject: RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE

ENERGY COMPLEX - Draft Scoping Report Review [Filed 01 Apr 2022 17:42]

Dear Ian

We can confirm that you have been added to the stakeholder database for the Camden Projects.

Kind regards

Ashlea

### **Ashlea Strong**

Associate WSP in Africa

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From:

Sent: Friday, 01 April 2022 15:03

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Subject: RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX - Draft

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Dear Ashleigh and Babalwa

Please register the EWT as an I&AP for this development.

**Thanks** 



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Hi

Camden is a small village, close to Ermelo. Camden power station is one of Eskom's oldest coal fire power stations, situated at Camden and is on the list for decommissioning. It is likely these new developments will take advantage of the substation and associated grid capacity soon to be available.

### Regards

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Dear Jolande		
	our email – My apologies – the date in the email is an error – please refer to the notification letters $ed$ – the reports will be available from 25 February 2022.	
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Kind regards		
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Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 12:12

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

**Subject:** RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMDEN RENEWABLE

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### Good day

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**From:** Strong, Ashlea [mailto:Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com]

Sent: Thursday, 24 February 2022 11:42

**To:** Strong, Ashlea **Cc:** Mqokeli, Babalwa

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Attachments: New Part 139.01.30 Technical Standards.pdf

Good day,

Please find new procedure and process to follow towards Renewable Energy projects...

http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Default.aspx

http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Obstacles/Urgent-notices.aspx

SACAA Page - Main Content Section

### Obstacle Notice 1/2022 - Appointment of New Windfarm and Solar Obstacle Application Service Provider

Kindly be advised, Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) has been appointed as the Obstacle application Service Provider for Windfarms on 1 May 2021. They will be also responsible for Solar Obstacle Applications from the 1'st of February 2022. All new Solar applications must be lodged to <a href="mailto:obstacles@atns.co.za">obstacles@atns.co.za</a>.

Their responsibility would pertain to the assessments, maintenance, and all other related matters in respect to Windfarms and Solar assessments

### Obstacle Notice 3/2020 (Replacement for 17/11/2017): Additional Requirements for Solar Project Applications

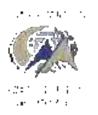
Kindly note that with immediate effect, A Glint & Glare Assessment will be required as soon as the proposed site is located on the extended runway centreline within the ICAO Annex 14 Approach Surface, Take-Off Climb Surface & Departure Surface, and within 3km radius around an Aerodrome/helistop as pe Part 139.01.30 (3).

The new solar project applications must be accompanied by a Glint & Glare Impact Assessment Report with specific relevance to aviation & aircraft operations. It is recommended that a Glint & Glare Impact Assessment Report be obtained for solar project applications which have already been submitted to the SACAA.

There are various organisations who can perform glint & glare impact assessment. It is however recommended that a credible organisation be utilised for this purpose.

Please note that the cost for any Impact Assessment Report will be for the account of the applicant.

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Scoping Report Review

### **Dear Commenting Authority**

This serves as a kind reminder that the comment period for the Draft Environmental Scoping Reports for the Proposed Development of the Camden Renewable Energy Complex ends on 28 March 2022. Please submit your comments, should you have any and have not already submitted of same, for incorporation into the Final Scoping Reports.

Best Regards,

**Babalwa Mqokeli** Pr Sci Nat Senior Consultant WSP in Africa

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Dear Sir.

FINAL SCOPING REPORT: THE ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CAMDEN GREEN HYDROGEN AND AMMONIA FACILITY ON PORTION 1 OF THE FARM WELGELEN 322 IT, MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

The scoping report and plan of study for environmental impact assessment which was submitted by you in respect of the above mentioned application and received by the Department on 11 April 2022 has been accepted by the Department. You may proceed with undertaking the environmental impact assessment in accordance with the tasks that are outlined in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment, subject to fulfilling all the requirements outlined in the Department's comments dated 25 March 2022, including the following:

- At the final EIAR stage, the thresholds and descriptions of all activities applied for must be provided.
- 2. Please ensure that relevant activities applied for are specific and linked to the proposed development.
- The coordinates of any watercourse that may be impacted must be provided in the final EIAR
  with recommendations. On the freshwater assessment mitigation measures must be outlined
  on how to avoid operations and disturbance of wetlands/watercourses.
- Please ensure that at the final EIAR the BESS preferred technology is assessed and its risks are determined, impacts and mitigation measures are indicated.
- The final EIA report must provide proof that all potential and registered I&APs, including organs
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  opportunity to comment on the scoping, as per the requirements of Regulation 40(3).
- 6. The final layout plan must clearly delineate all sensitive areas to be cleared including all buffer zones.
- 7. Note that this Department will not consider authorising the removal of indigenous vegetation from land that is not arable. Land that is not arable, due to inter alia, lack of sufficient water rockiness, steepness, excessive wetness, incorrect soil type etc., must be identified and excluded accordingly, and such exclusions must be illustrated clearly on the layout plan. The draft EIAR must demonstrate that land to be cleared is arable.

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.



### 1/3/1/16/1 G-242

You are reminded of the requirements of Regulation 23(1), and that if such requirements are not met, this application will lapse in terms of Regulation 45.

Please draw the applicant's attention to the fact that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

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Ms. S.B. MBUYANE

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT MANAGEMENT** 

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C.C. ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd Gideon Raath gideon.raath@enertrag.com

# Intent to issue a notice to withdraw the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act No. 10 of 1998 (as amended)

20th June 2022

Dear Makhosazane Yeni,

Following further investigation, site evaluation and landowner engagement undertaken to date, this letter serves to confirm the intent by the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA) to prepare a submission for approval by the MEC of the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environment Affairs in Mpumalanga Province for the publication of a notice of intent to withdraw the declaration of the Langcarel Private Nature Reserve in terms of the Mpumalanga Nature Conservation Act No. 10 of 1998, being contingent on formal, written confirmation by all landowners within the declared extent of the reserve, affirming their consent to the withdrawal as proposed.

We have engaged ENERTRAG South Africa (Pty) Ltd following this matter being brought to our attention and will pursue this matter further with the relevant stakeholders as required.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Morris
The Manager

**Protected Areas Expansion** 

Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA)



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CaseID: 18081

Date: Monday May 23, 2022

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### **Interim Comment**

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

Attention: Camden Green Energy (RF) (Pty) Ltd

The proponent is proposing the development of the Camden I Green Hydrogen and Ammonia (GH&A) Facility, located approximately 10km south of Ermelo (near Camden) in the Mpumalanga Province of South Africa. The proposed Camden I GH&A Facility will be developed in an area of approximately 25 hectares (ha) south-west of Ermelo, in Mpumalanga. The proposed Camden I GH&A Facility falls within the Msukaligwa Local Municipality of the Gert Sibande District Municipality.

Camden Green Energy (RF) (Pty) Ltd have appointed WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd to undertake a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment application process in support for an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act no 107 of 1998 (NEMA) as amended, for activities that trigger the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) 2014 Regulations, as amended.

Camden Green Energy is proposing to construct a renewable energy facility consisting of 8 projects within the existing Eskom Camden Power Station in Mpumalanga Province. The Solar Energy renewable energy facility application case ID is 18082, the Wind 1 and Wind 2 facility applications are case ID 18077, and case ID 18087 respectively, and the green energy facility application case ID is 18081. A 400kV power line and common collector substation for their new energy facility to be connected to the National Grid application is case ID is 18080.

The application will be for the Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Energy facility on Portion 1 or Portion 2 of the farm Welgelegen 322 in the Msukaligwa Local Municipality of Mpumalanga Province. The facility will be 25ha in extent, consisting of a water reservoir, a water treatment unit, an electrolyser unit, an air separation unit, an ammonia processing unit, a liquid air storage system (LAES), a liquid ammonia storage tank, a hydrogen storage tank, administration area, and water pipelines.

A Heritage Scoping report by Beyond Heritage (Pty) Ltd has been submitted to SAHRA for commenting in terms of section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, no. 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

Van der Walt, J. October 2021. HERITAGE SCOPING REPORT For the Proposed Camden I Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility, Mpumalanga Province, South Africa.

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The author undertook an assessment of the available documentation on the history of the development area. The author notes that the area has previously been assessed and identified historical homesteads and farmsteads. No archaeological sites and graves have been identified in the study area but due to the nature of heritage resources occurring underground there is potential of unkown sites being uncovered. The study area has *Negligible* and *Very High* palaeontological significance as seen on the SAHRIS palaeomap and the palaeomap policy. The author recommends a field assessment during the EIA phase to assess the development footprint for any potential heritage resources and palaeontological resources.

### **Interim Comment**

The Archaeology, Palaeontology, Meteorites (APM) notes the submission of the Scoping Report and Heritage Scoping Report and endorses the recommendation for a field survey by a suitably qualified archaeologist as part of a Heritage Impact Assessment report and a field based palaeontological assessment must be undertaken by a suitably qualified palaeontologist.

SAHRA will provide further comments on the proposed development once the draft EIAr, the HIA, and PIA reports are submitted to the case.

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

Yours faithfully

Nokukhanya Khumalo

Heritage Officer

South African Heritage Resources Agency

### **Camden I Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility**

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### Terms & Conditions:

- 1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
- 2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
- 3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.

### Govender, Megan

From: Adri Liebenberg <a3l@live.co.za>
Sent: Wednesday, 25 May 2022 14:05

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

**Cc:** Col Weilbach; rwu mp; MIEM Level2

**Subject:** PROPOSED RENEWABLE WIND PROJECT IN THE AREA ADJACENT TO THE CAMDEM

MILITARY BASE IN MPUMALANGA

**Attachments:** Final SEA Report\_Defence Section.pdf;

Gazetted\_Defence\_Installations\_Assessment\_Protocols.pdf

### To Ashlea Strong

Your correspondence to Lt Col Thagwana from the Regional Works Unit Limpopo as an interested and affected party (I&AP) on your database on 13 April 2022 refers.

As a national government department, the Department of Defence consist of different levels or tiers of mandated decision making in respect of providing and confirming the impacts adjacent developments would have on the department as a whole through the current EIA process. This internal situation within the military is sometimes very confusing and cumbersome to the various environmental assessment practitioners (EAPs) as it relates to the identification of the I&AP within the Department of Defence.

For the purpose of the process to be followed for any renewable energy projects, the requirements stipulated in the Strategic Environmental Assessment for Wind and Solar Photovoltaic Energy in South Africa, 2015 (Part 3 Section 8) related to sensitivity areas are applied. See attachment. This geospatial information has been included in the Environmental Screening Tool to be utilised by EAPs. However, the geospatial information only relates to the identified 9 REDZ focus areas but the Department of Defence still applies these sensitivities in areas outside these focus areas. For this reason, a protocol for the specialist assessment and minimum report content requirements for environmental and other impacts on defence installations have been gazetted on 20 March 2020. See attachment.

In terms of this protocol, EAPs are required to verify the site sensitivity in the form of a report to confirm the **current land use** and environmental sensitivity as per section 2 of the protocol. In accordance with section 3, a specialist assessment and minimum report requirement should consist of a Defence Compliance Statement which would require a comment, in writing, from the Department of Defence confirming no unacceptable impact on military areas of interest and if needed further assessment with mitigating measures as per para 2.3.4 and 2.3.5 of the protocol.

In terms of the various levels of military mandate, the appointed military environmental officer within the province will be the point of liaison in terms of the I&AP process on your database, however for the purposes of written comment required from the Department of Defence the mandate lies at a higher level. For obtaining written comment, the developer or the EAP will have to personally request written comment from the Director Facilities at the Logistics Division of the Department of Defence at email clogfac@gmail.com for incorporation into the Defence Compliance Statement.

I hope this will assist you in your process going forward.

Kind Regards

Capt (SAN) Adri Liebenberg Pr Sci Nat

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### Govender, Megan

From: Colette Alisha Stander <colette@q7energies.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 08 June 2022 12:14

**To:** Strong, Ashlea

**Cc:** Caryn Clarke; Skye Clarke-McLeod

Subject: Camden Renewable Energy Complex I&AP Registration

### Dear Ashlea,

I trust you are doing very well. I would like to kindly request that myself, **Colette Stander**, with e-mail address, <a href="mailto:eia@g7energies.com">eia@g7energies.com</a>, be registered as an I&AP in the Camden Renewable Energy Complex, consisting of the following:

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- Camden II WEF and Associated Grid Connection
- Camden I Solar and Associated Grid Connection
- Camden Grid Connection and Collector Substation
- Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility and Associated Grid Connection

If I could please request to be registered for each project included above, that would be greatly appreciated. May I also ask that confirmation of registration be sent through once done.

Thank you very much, with kind regards

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### Colette Stander | Environmental Project Developer

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**From:** Strong, Ashlea

**Sent:** Thursday, 09 June 2022 08:11 **To:** Colette Alisha Stander

Caryn Clarke; Skye Clarke-McLeod; Mqokeli, Babalwa

Subject: RE: Camden Renewable Energy Complex I&AP Registration

**Dear Colette** 

Thank you for your email. We can confirm that you have been added to the project database for each of the projects below.

Kind regards

### **Ashlea Strong**

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# **APPENDIX**

# ECONFIRMATION A LETTER FROM DWS FOR WATER SUPPLY

Mr. M. M. Sethosa

**Department of Water and Sanitation** 

Usutu Government Water Scheme Jericho Dam Private Bag X1004 Amsterdam 2375

Email: SethosaM@dws.gov.za

**Contact**Gideon Raath
qideon.raath@enertrag.co.za

Reference

Confirmation for water availability: Construction and Operation of the Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility (up to 150MW)

29.03.2022

Dear Mr. Melisizwe Sethosa,

Thank you and your team (Mr. Burger and Mr. Van Heerden) for meeting with us on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2022.

As discussed, the Camden Green Energy (RF) Propriety Limited ("Project Company"), is in the process of applying for all the necessary permits to develop the Camden Green Hydrogen and Ammonia Facility ("Project"). The Project is located  $\sim 10 \, \text{km}$  South of Ermelo within the Msukaligwa Local Municipality of the Gert Sibande District Municipality in the Mpumalanga province.

The water requirements for the Project are estimated to be 320 000m³ of water per year during the Construction phase (estimated period of 24 months) and estimated to be 390 000m³ of water per year during the Operation phase (estimated period of 20 years). Water will not be utilised for drinking water. It is proposed that the raw water will be used for construction activities such as the making of concrete for foundations, dust suppression, etc. During operations water will be used for dust suppression, periodic maintenance and operational feed into the water treatment system, and ultimately for the electrolyser and ammonia production of the planned facility, as well as other ancillary project related uses as may be applicable.

The planned abstraction point will be from the Camden to Rietspruit Pipeline. An application for Water Use Licence (WUL), as applicable, will be made by the applicant after the requested confirmation from the DWS area office.

### Request:

 We kindly request confirmation for water availability from the Department of Water and Sanitation Usutu Government Water Scheme, for the required volumes of water during the Construction and Operational Phases.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. We await your response hereto.

Yours sincerely,

Gideon Raath

Senior Project Developer

Suite 104, 1st Floor, Albion Springs 183 Main Road Rondebosch, 7700



### **Gideon Raath**

**From:** Melisizwe Sethosa (JRD) <SethosaM@dws.gov.za>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 25 May 2022 13:14

**To:** Gideon Raath

Cc: Tsoai Mokhothu Gabriel (JrD); Dube Busisiwe; Van Heerden Hannes; Burger Johan

(MBA); Sehume Mookohi (JRD); Sayed Abdulla (NWRI:CO); Ndumo Nelly Dineo

(NWRI:CO)

**Subject:** RE: CD| Camden Renewable Energy complex water availability confirmation requests

Attachments: Water Availability Camden Renewable Water Supply Confirmation.pdf

Good Day Mr Raath

Apologies for the late reply.

Please find attached the requested documentation.

Regards

Mr M.M. Sethosa

Area Manager: Central Operations – Usutu River

From: Gideon Raath < Gideon.Raath@enertrag.com>

**Sent:** Friday, 20 May 2022 16:52

To: Melisizwe Sethosa (JRD) <SethosaM@dws.gov.za>

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Subject: FW: CD | Camden Renewable Energy complex water availability confirmation requests

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Sent: Friday, 20 May 2022 16:50

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From: Gideon Raath

Sent: Thursday, 05 May 2022 09:24

**To:** Melisizwe Sethosa (JRD) < <a href="mailto:SethosaM@dws.gov.za">SethosaM@dws.gov.za</a>>

Cc: Tsoai Mokhothu Gabriel (JrD) <Tsoai M@dws.gov.za>; Dube B2@dws.gov.za; Van Heerden Hannes

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From: Gideon Raath

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From: Gideon Raath

Sent: Tuesday, 29 March 2022 16:22

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Subject: CD | Camden Renewable Energy complex water availability confirmation requests

Good day Mr. Sethosa,

Please see attached requests for confirmation of water availability from the DWS related to the Camden Renewable Energy complex developments. Please could I request your review and formal response to these letters?

The combined flow rate requested across the four projects will be 0.0159m<sup>3</sup> per second during the anticipated two-year construction period, and thereafter 0.014m<sup>3</sup> per second for the anticipated operation period of 20 years. These calculations are shown below.

Entity	Construction Year 1 (m³)	Construction Year 2 (m³)	Operation (annual)(m³)
Camden Green Energy (RF) Pty Ltd	320 000	320 000	390 000
Camden I Wind (RF) Pty Ltd	90 000	90 000	650
Camden II Wind (RF) Pty Ltd	90 000	90 000	650
Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd	420	420	50 000
Flowrate (m³): per year	500 420,0000	500 420,0000	441 300,0000
Flowrate (m³): per day	1 371,0137	1 371,0137	1 209,0411
Flowrate (m³): per second	0,0159	0,0159	0,0140

Should confirmation be possible, please could I ask the responses be issued to the respective project companies, as below:

- Camden Green Energy (RF) Pty Ltd
- Camden I Wind (RF) Pty Ltd
- Camden II Wind (RF) Pty Ltd
- Camden I Solar (RF) Pty Ltd

Please let me know if there are any gueries.

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### **Enertrag**

**Senior Project Developer** 

Dear Mr Gideon Raath

## CONFIRMATION FOR WATER AVAILABILITY: CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE CAMDEN II WIND ENERGY FACILITY (UP TO 200 MW)

The following letter has reference: Confirmation for water availability: **Construction and Operation of the Camden II Wind Energy Facility (up to 200 MW)**, dated 29/03/2022.

The Department of Water and Sanitation Usutu River would hereby like to confirm availability of water from our scheme dams for the required application as per specifications presented.

The final approval for extraction of water is however dependent on a successful application for a water use license and abstraction point with the Department of Water and Sanitation.

It is also very pertinent to highlight that ESKOM SOC be engaged as a fundamental stakeholder in this process.

Regards

Mr Melisizwe Sethosa [25/05/2022]

Area Manager: WRIOM Central Operations: Usutu River - Jericho Dam