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Dear Stakeholder / Authority

Basic Assessments (BAs) for Solar Energy Facilities in the Stilfontein Cluster, Stilfontein, North West Province: Opportunity to Register as an Interested and Affected Party and Release of Basic Assessment Reports for Public Review.

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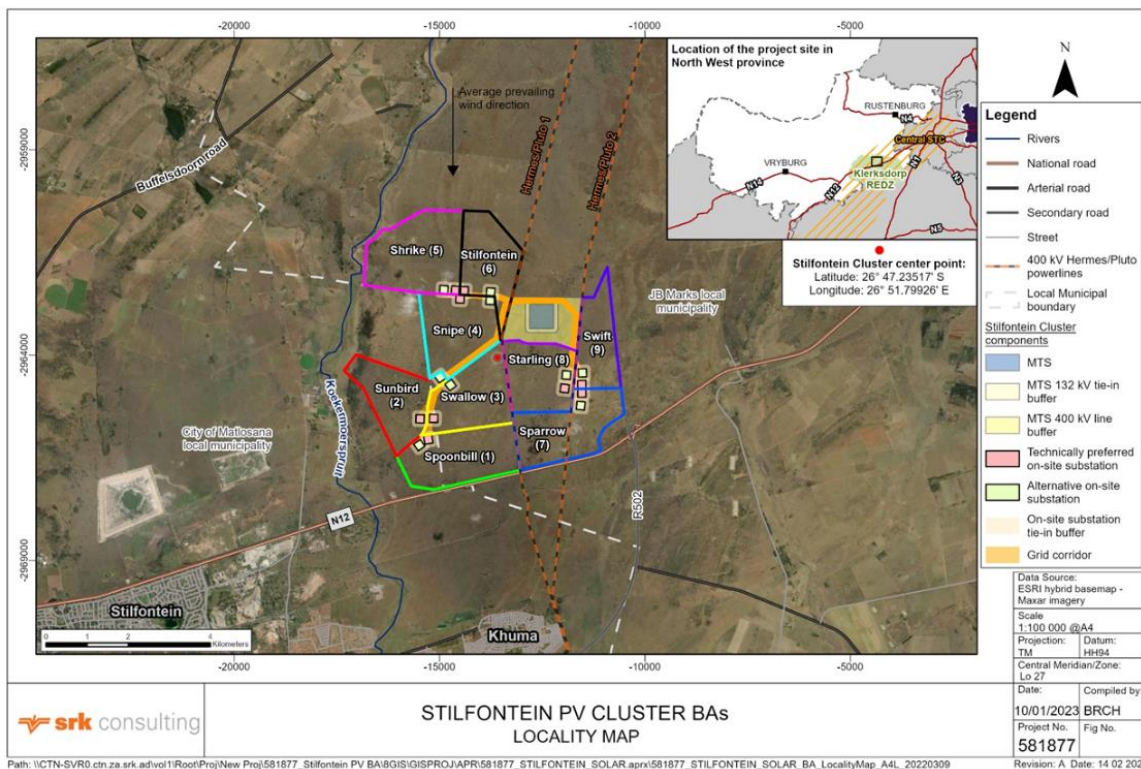


Figure 1: Location of Stilfontein Cluster

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Nineteen separate BA processes are underway as follows:

- 9 x PV facility BAs, including 11-33kV transmission lines, each including Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), and Independent Power Producer (IPP)-side on-site substations;
- 9 x Grid Connection BAs, including Eskom-side on-site substations and 132kV transmission lines to the Main Transmission Station (MTS); and
- 1 x Grid Connection BA, including MTS and 400kV transmission lines to existing Hermes Pluto transmission lines.

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Opportunity to Register for the Grid Connection BAs

Although the Grid Connection BAs are not yet available for comment, stakeholders are invited to **register** on the project database. **Only registered stakeholders will be notified of the availability of the BA Reports and invited to submit comments on the Grid Connection BA Reports.**

Comment on the BA Reports or request to register as a stakeholder must ideally be submitted via the following online form: <https://forms.office.com/r/RisvzNuZ6D> and must be received by **16 May 2023**. Alternatively, comments and / or request to register as a stakeholder may be submitted via email to Asheerah Meyer from SRK Consulting: Tel: 021 659 3060; Email: Ameyer@srk.co.za by **16 May 2023**.

By registering as a stakeholder, you voluntarily consent to SRK, the Project Proponent and the Competent Authority processing and selectively disclosing your personal data (including contact details), in fulfilment of the requirements of the EIA Regulations, 2014, and the National Appeal Regulations, 2014. Personal data will only be used for the purposes of providing relevant project information (pertinent to the EIA process and related activities e.g. notifications of decisions, subsequent appeals, audits) and obtaining feedback on these processes. SRK undertakes to process data in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act 14 of 2013 and in accordance with our Protection of Personal Information Policy.

Yours faithfully,

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Kelly Armstrong

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Sent: Monday, 17 April 2023 10:44
To: Archie Monnahela
Cc: Lauren Elston; Kate Steyn
Subject: RE: Registration as I & A party
Attachments: 581877_Stilfontein PV_Notification Letter_DBAR Release.pdf

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Sent: Monday, 17 April 2023 10:22

To: Asheerah Meyer <AMeyer@srk.co.za>

Subject: Re: Registration as I & A party

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Hi Asheerah

Please send me more information about the project so that I can make comments and be able participate fully.

Regards

Mr. Kesaobaka Archibald Monnahela

Cell:066 062 8034/073 383 2879



On Mon, 17 Apr 2023 at 10:22, Asheerah Meyer <AMeyer@srk.co.za> wrote:

Good day Archie,

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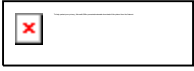
Good day Asheerah

I hereby request to be registered as interested and affected ,my company name is Gizabo Holdings Pty Ltd for the upcoming Solar Energy Facility in stilfontein.

Regards

Mr. Kesaobaka Archibald Monnahela

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Kelly Armstrong

From: Asheerah Meyer
Sent: Monday, 17 April 2023 10:39
To: Kathryn Winstanley; Caryn Clarke
Cc: Lauren Elston; Colette Alisha Stander; Shonese Bloy; Skye Clarke-McLeod; Ansoné Esterhuizen; Kate Steyn; Kelly Armstrong
Subject: RE: I&AP Registration and Notification Letter: Stilfontein Cluster
Attachments: 581877_Stilfontein PV_Notification Letter_DBAR Release.pdf

Hi Kathryn and Caryn,

I hereby acknowledge your request and have placed Caryn Clarke on the IAP register for the Solar Energy Facilities in the Stilfontein Cluster.

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Subject: RE: I&AP Registration: Stilfontein Cluster

Good morning Kathryn,

Thank you for your email which I've forwarded on to my colleagues working on the project. They will be in contact regarding the below.

Kind regards,

Kelly Armstrong *BSocSc (Hons) Environmental Science*

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Subject: I&AP Registration: Stilfontein Cluster

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Hi Kelly,

I hope you are well.

I contacted Lauren last week, but I see that she is out of office.

Would you be able to please register **Caryn Clarke** with email address eia@g7energies.com as an I&AP for the Stilfontein Cluster comprised of the 9 Solar PV projects: Spoonbill, Sunbird, Swallow, Snipe, Shrike, Stilfontein, Sparrow, Starling and Swift.

Could you please also send through any relevant documents and reply with confirmation of registration.

Thank you very much.

Kind Regards,



Kathryn Winstanley

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From: Asheerah Meyer
Sent: Monday, 17 April 2023 09:44
To: Asheerah Meyer
Cc: Princess Ngobeni (P)
Subject: FW: Basic Assessments (BAs) for Solar Energy Facilities in the Stilfontein Cluster, Stilfontein, North West Province: Opportunity to Register as an Interested and Affected Party and Release of Basic Assessment Reports for Public Review
Attachments: 581877_Stilfontein PV_Notification Letter_DBAR Release.pdf

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To: Asheerah Meyer <AMeyer@srk.co.za>

Cc: Kate Steyn <KSteyn@srk.co.za>; Lauren Elston <LElston@srk.co.za>

Subject: Basic Assessments (BAs) for Solar Energy Facilities in the Stilfontein Cluster, Stilfontein, North West

Province: Opportunity to Register as an Interested and Affected Party and Release of Basic Assessment Reports for Public Review

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Cc: Shaun Taylor; Kate Steyn; Lauren Elston; Raquel Peters; Azhar Khan
Subject: Basic Assessments (BAs) for Solar Energy Facilities in the Stilfontein Cluster, Stilfontein, North West Province: Opportunity to Register as an Interested and Affected Party and Release of Basic Assessment Reports for Public Review
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Date: Monday, 15 May 2023 16:48:00
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Attachments: 581877_Stilfontein PV_Notification Letter_DBAR Release.pdf
Importance: High

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Date: Monday, 22 May 2023 14:05:00
Attachments: [581877 Stilfontein PV Notification Letter DBAR Release.pdf](#)

Good day,

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Swift PV (Project 9): 14/12/16/3/3/1/2746

South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd (Mainstream) proposes to construct up to nine Photovoltaic (PV) facilities with a capacity of up to 150MW each and associated grid infrastructure. Nineteen separate BA processes are underway.

The National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA), and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (promulgated in terms of NEMA) warrant that listed activities require Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE). Basic Assessment (BA) processes must be followed because the projects lie in the Klerksdorp Renewable Energy Development Zone (REDZ).

SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SRK) has been appointed by Mainstream to compile the BA Reports for the PV facilities and associated infrastructure in terms of NEMA and the EIA Regulations, 2014.

The nine BA Reports (and executive summaries) for the PV facility BAs are available for public review and comment ([refer to attached Notification Letter](#)).

Please note, although the Grid Connection BAs are not yet available for comment, stakeholders are invited to register on the project database for the Grid Connection projects. **Only registered stakeholders will be notified of the availability of the BA Reports and invited to submit comments on the Grid Connection BA Reports.**

Please contact the undersigned should you require any further information.

Kind Regards,

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