

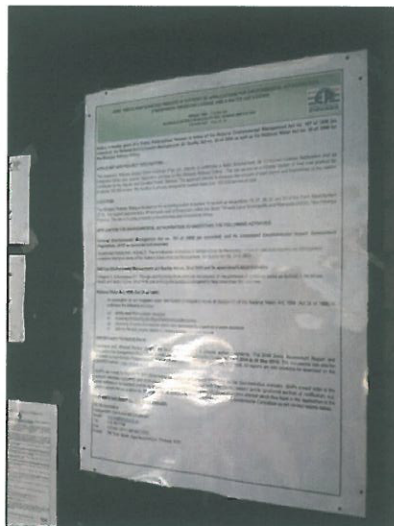
ANNEXURE 2:
Proof of site notice placement

PROOF OF SITE NOTICE PLACEMENT – BLINKPAN RAILWAY SIDING, MPUMALANGA (10 APRIL 2014)



A site notice was placed on a visible location at the Koorfontein Supermarket

A site notice was placed on a visible location at the Hope Village: Entrance 2.



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A site notice was placed on a visible location at the Goedehoop main office: Entrance 2.



A site notice was placed on a visible location at the Van Dyksdrift Garage Store.



A site notice was placed on a visible location at the Goedehoop main office: Entrance 1.

ANNEXURE 3:
Copy of the BID

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

JOINT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, ATMOSPHERIC EMISSIONS LICENSE AND A WATER USE LICENSE FOR ACTIVITIES AT THE BLINKPAN RAILWAY SIDING, MPUMALANGA

MDEDET REF: 17/2/3N-315

NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY REF: NDM/AEL/MP313/13/04

ENVASS REF: 161a-12_13



PURPOSE

The purpose of this Background Information Document (BID) is to inform Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) about the Basic Impact Assessment, Air Emissions Licence and Integrated Water Use Licence processes that is being conducted for the proposed increase in volume of storage of coal activities at the Blinkpan Railway Siding, Mpumalanga Province.

In addition to supplying information regarding the project and the Basic EIA process, the BID also provides I&APs with the opportunity to:

- Register as an I&AP and to respond to the environmental compliance process;
- Raise issues of concern and provide suggestions for enhanced benefits;
- Contribute to local knowledge;
- Comment on the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) & Environmental Management Program (EMP); and
- Inform any other person / organization that they may feel should be informed about the project.

INTRODUCTION & PROJECT BACKGROUND

APPLICANT AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Blinkpan Railway Siding is owned and operated by Makoya Supply Chain Holdings (Pty) Ltd and is located approximately 30 km south-east of Emalaheni, Mpumalanga Province. The site is in close proximity to Koornfontein and Goedehoop Mines.

The site serves as a transfer station for final coal product, therefore no mining activities are undertaken here: Blinkpan Siding's full operations encompasses loading wagons with coal from the surrounding mines for transportation by rail to Eskom's Power Stations, the Richards Bay Coal Export Terminal as well as other ports and coal consumers. The siding receives final product for distribution to Majuba and Camden Power Stations.

Up to now Blinkpan has not been storing coal in quantities of more than 100 000 tonnes at a time, but does have the capacity to store and handle more than 100 000 tonnes. It is the intention of the applicant to increase the amount of coal stored and handled to above 100 000 tonnes. In terms of Section 21 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (Act. No. 39 of 2004) (NEM: AQA), Regulation 14, Category 5 (1) Subcategory 5.1: Storage and Handling of ore and coal, an atmospheric emissions license need to be applied for, for storage and handling of more than 100 000 tonnes of coal. In turn triggering the listed activity in terms of NEMA and the EIA Regulations, 2010.

LOCALITY AND RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT

The Blinkpan Railway Siding is located on the remaining extent of portion 12 as well as on portions 13, 27, 29, 30 and 31 of the Farm Koornfontein 27 IS. It is located approximately 30 km south-east of Emalahleni within the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Nkangala District, Mpumalanga Province. The site is in close proximity to Koornfontein and Goedehoop Mines.

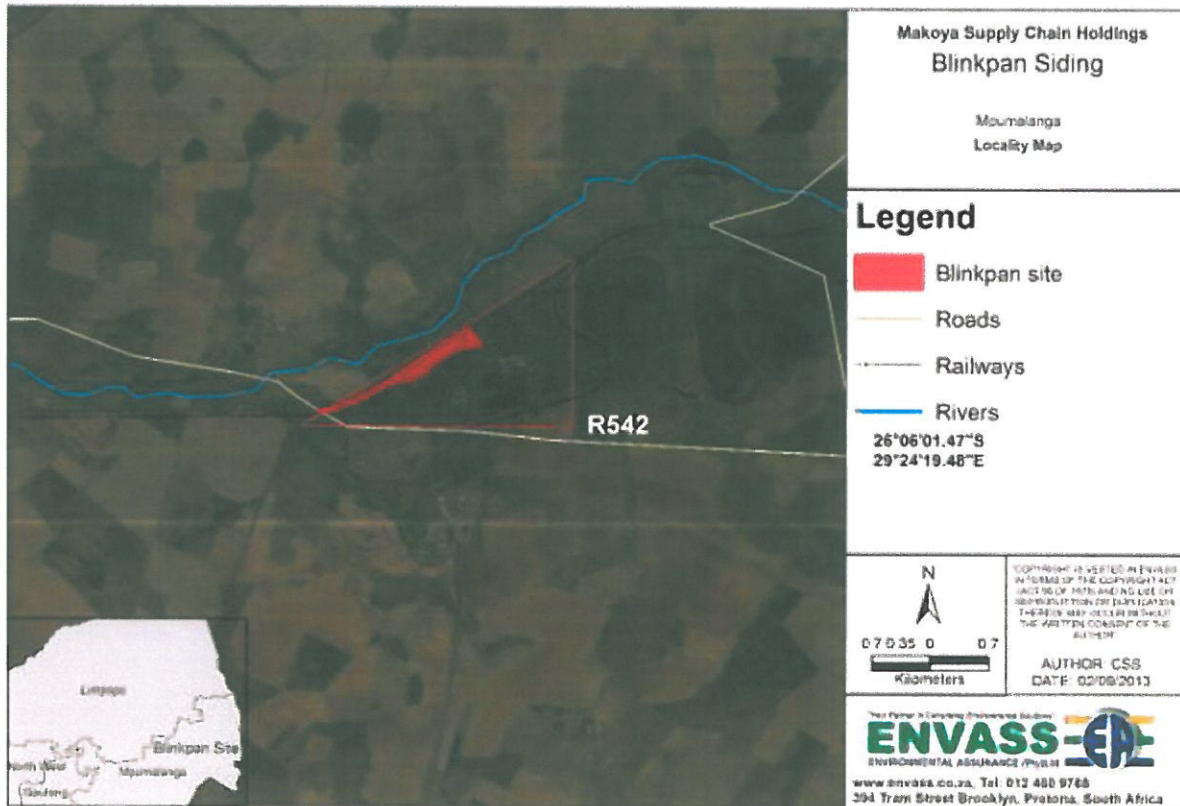


Figure 1: Locality Map

NEED & DESIRABILITY

According to the current IDP of the municipality, the Millennium Development Goal states that 97% of households must have universal access to electricity by 2025. Access to electricity will alleviate poverty as the use of electricity supports lighting and cooking facilities. The 2011 census figures depicted that there were 64971 households in the municipal area of which 91.08% households had access to electricity. The proposed activity will assist to provide the resources needed to reach the target of 97% before 2025.

The increased provision of coal to local as well as national power stations will increase the availability of electricity needed by local, regional as well as national communities.

The benefit to society in general will be improvement on availability of electricity, uplifting poor communities and increase economic development. The benefits to society in general will also be applicable to the local communities.

The siding is currently operational with all service infrastructure such as water and electricity in place and can handle the additional storage of the planned coal therefore the potential impacts are likely to be minimal.

ABBREVIATIONS

BID:	Background Information Document
EAP:	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EIA:	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMP:	Environmental Management Program
GN:	Government Notice
I&AP:	Interested and Affected Party
NEMA:	National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act no. 107 of 1998)
NEM:AQA	National Environmental Management Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act no. 39 of 2004)
NWA:	National Water Act, 1998 (Act no. 36 of 1998)
PPP:	Public Participation Process

LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and associated guidelines (NEMA)

The proposed operational activities i.e. storing and handling more than 100 000 tonnes of coal, falls within the ambit of the scheduled activity no. 2 listed in the EIA Regulations, 2010 published in Government Notice (GN) No. 544 in terms of Section 24 of NEMA.

EIA Regulations, 2010 as amended and corrected GN. 543 and 544 and associated guidelines.

The proposed operational activities i.e. storing and handling more than 100 000 tonnes of coal, falls within the ambit of the scheduled activity no. 2 listed in the EIA Regulations, 2010 published in Government Notice (GN) No. 544 in terms of Section 24 of NEMA.

National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (Act No. 39 of 2004)

In terms of Section 21 of the National Environmental Management Act Air Quality Act (Act No. 39 of 2004) [NEM: AQA], Regulation 14, Category 5 (1) Subcategory 5.1: Storage and handling of ore and coal, an atmospheric emissions license need to be applied for, for storage and handling of more than 100 000 tonnes of coal.

THE EIA PROCESS

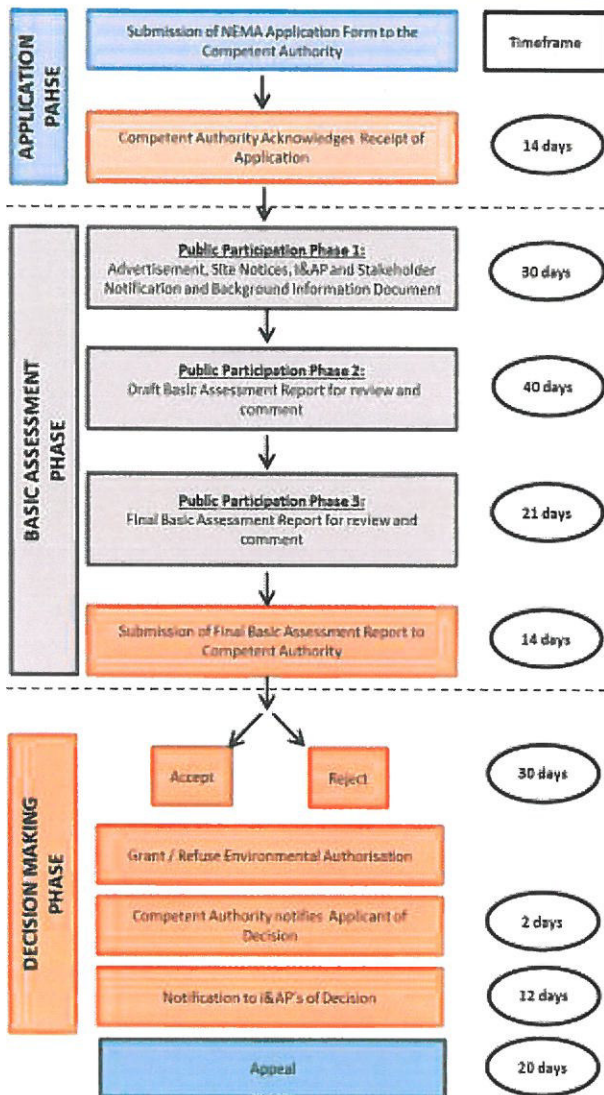


Figure 3: Process flow diagram

POTENTIAL IMPACT IDENTIFIED

The EAP has identified environmental issues that could arise as a result of the proposed activity. These include:

- **Surface and groundwater:** water quality and resources
- **Soil, geology and mineral resource:** erosion, soil contamination, resource impacts
- **Air quality**
- **Ecological:** fauna, flora and biodiversity
- **Socio-economic:** employment and social Archaeological, heritage and cultural

SPECIALIST STUDIES

The EAP further investigated potential impacts identified and identified mitigation measures to assist in managing the possible effects of the project on the direct and surrounding environment. Specialist studies have been undertaken to assess and address the potential issues that have been identified. These include:

- Geohydrology;
- Ecological;
- Wetland assessment;
- Baseline Air; and
- Surface Water.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Notice is hereby given of a Public Participation Process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act no. 107 of 1998 (as amended), the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act no. 36 of 2004 as well as the National Water Act no. 36 of 1998 for the Blinkpan Railway Siding.

The PPP forms an integral part of the assessment process. The PPP aims to provide the I&APs with an opportunity to participate in a meaningful and constructive manner and gives the platform for raising issues, comments and concerns in respect of the project.

To ensure that you are registered as an I&AP, and are provided with an opportunity to comment on the project and that you receive updated project information, please complete and return the enclosed registration and comments sheet or contact Environmental Assurance by telephone, e-mail, mailing or fax.

In terms of the EIA Regulations, your attention is drawn to your responsibilities as an I&AP:

- In order to participate in the scoping process, register yourself on the project database (see attached Registration form);

- Inform any other parties (neighbours, friends, colleagues, etc.) who may be interested and / or affected by the proposed project to become involve;
- Ensure that any comments regarding the proposed project are submitted within the timeframes that have been approved or set by the approving authority; and
- Disclose any direct business, financial, personal and or other interest which you may have in the approval or refusal of the project.

STAKEHOLDER AND I&AP ENGAGEMENT

A COPY OF THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT THE KOORFONNTEIN PRIMARY SCHOOL: KOMATI POWER STATION – 013 295 3103 / 082 922 7634) AS WELL AS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE'S WEBSITE:

<http://www.envass.co.za/downloads>

I&AP REGISTRATIONS AND COMMENTS ARE REQUIRED BY 26 May 2014

Should you wish to register as a stakeholder, provide comment on the proposed project, raise queries, or require further information contact us using the details below or complete the attached registration form.

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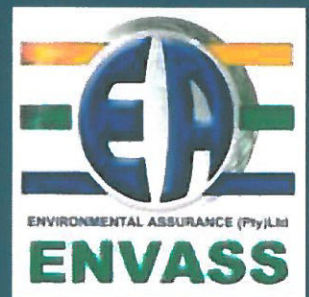
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REGISTRATION FORM

Title:		Surname:					
Name:			Organisation:				
Postal Address:							
Tel:		Fax:		Email:			
I want to receive my notifications via:			Post		Fax		Email
<p>Comments / concerns that you would like to raise at this stage of the proposed project?</p> <p>(Please use additional pages if required)</p>							

ANNEXURE 4:
Written Notification

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Dear Interested and Affected Party and Stakeholder,

Kindly find attached a background information document and notice for your attention.

Kind Regards,

Monica Niehof

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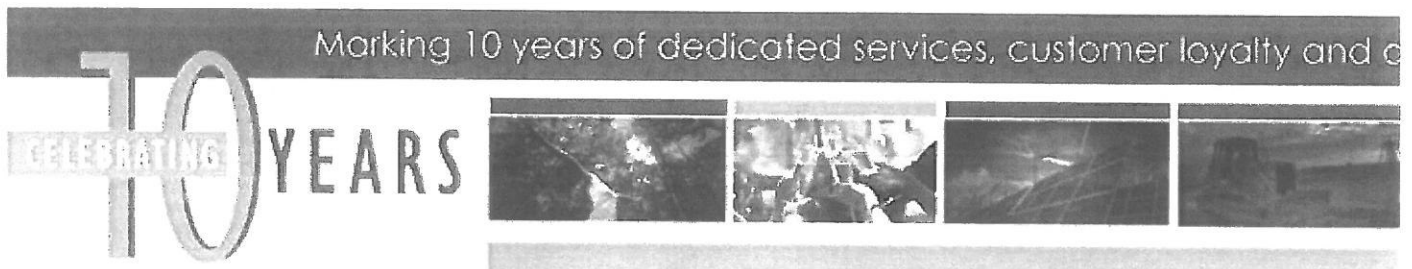
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APPLICANT AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Applicant, Makoya Supply Chain Holdings (Pty) Ltd., intends to undertake a Basic Assessment, Air Emissions License Application and an Integrated Water Use License Application process for the Blinkpan Railway Siding. The site serves as a transfer station of final coal product for distribution to the Majuba and Camden Power Stations. The applicant intends to increase the amount of coal stored and transferred at the station to above 100 000 tonnes. The location is already designed to contain more than 100 000 tonnes of coal.

LOCATION:

The Blinkpan Railway Siding is located on the remaining extent of portion 12 as well as on portions 13, 27, 29, 30 and 31 of the Farm Koorfontein 27 IS. It is located approximately 30 km south-east of Emalaheni within the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Nkangala District, Mpumalanga Province. The site is in close proximity to Koorfontein and Goedehoop Mines.

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION TO UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

National Environmental Management Act no. 107 of 1998) (as amended) and its associated Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (2010) as corrected and amended:

Government Notice 544 - Activity 2: The construction of facilities or infrastructure for the storage of ore or coal that requires an atmospheric emissions license in terms of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act no. 39 of 2004.

National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act no. 39 of 2004 and its associated Listed Activities:

Category 5, Subcategory 5.1: Storage and handling of ore and coal not situated on the premises of a mine or works as defined in the Mines Health and Safety Act no. 29 of 1996 and of which the location is designed to hold more than 100 000 tons.

National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998):

An application for an integrated water use license is lodged in terms of Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) to undertake the following activities:

- (a) taking water from a water resource
- (c) impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
- (g) disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource
- (f) altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse

OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE:

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register and provide written comments. The Draft Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme is available for comment and public review (10 April 2014 to 26 May 2014). The documents can also be reviewed at Koorfontein Primary School: Komati Power Station – 013 295 3103 / 082 922 7634. All reports are also available for download on the ENVASS website: www.envass.co.za.

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I&AP's are invited to register for the above-mentioned project and provide comments on the documentation available. I&APs should refer to the relevant reference number(s) and must provide their comments together with their name, contact details (preferred method of notification, e.g. email address or fax number) and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application to the contact person indicated below by **26 May 2014**. All comments must be addressed to the Environmental Consultant as per contact details below.

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