

**Date:** 06 February 2018

**AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED 21 JANUARY 2013 FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE 20MW RUIMTE PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER FACILITY AND ITS ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE FARM WAGENMAKERSDRIFT (SUBDIVISION 1 OF THE FARM NO.24) NEAR KOFFIEFONTEIN WITHIN THE LETSEMENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, FREE STATE PROVINCE**

**DEA REF NR.:** 14/12/16/3/3/1/469/AM2

Dear Interested and Affected Party & Stakeholder

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations promulgated in 2014 and as amended in 2017, in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No 107 of 1998) of the amended environmental authorisation (EA) for the construction of the 20MW Ruimte Photovoltaic Power Facility and its Associated Infrastructure on the Farm Wagenmakersdrift (Subdivision 1 of the Farm No. 24), near Koffiefontein in the Free State Province.

The Project was awarded a positive EA by the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) on 21 January 2013. An Amendment Application was submitted in terms of the EIA Regulations, with respect to:

**Amendment:** Extension of the validity period of the EA

**DEA DECISION:** The EA validity period has been extended until 21 January 2023

This notification provides all registered interested and affected parties (I&AP) and/or stakeholders the opportunity to comment and/or appeal against the decision in terms of the National Appeals Regulations (GNR 993 of 2014) if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision.

Should any registered I&AP and/or Stakeholder wish to comment on any aspect to the decision a notice must be lodged with the Competent Authority, in writing within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the competent authority.

Comments and/or Appeals must be submitted to Mr Z Hassam, Director: Appeals and Legal Review by means of:

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Pretoria,  
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Arcadia, Pretoria,  
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By Email: [appealsdirector@environment.gov.za](mailto:appealsdirector@environment.gov.za)

Herewith included in this notification is a copy of this amended EA along with the DEA's reasons for approving the development and the related project conditions.

We trust you will find this in order and thank you for your participation on this project with us.

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Yours Sincerely



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