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APPLICATION FORM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010

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Proposed Photovoltaic (Solar) Energy Plant (referred to as du Plessis PV3) on Annex Du Plessis Dam Farm near De Aar, Northern Cape

Kindly note that:

- 1. This application form is current as of 2 August 2010. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ascertain whether subsequent versions of the form have been published or produced by the competent authority.
- 2. The application must be typed within the spaces provided in the form. The sizes of the spaces provided are not necessarily indicative of the amount of information to be provided. Spaces are provided in tabular format and will extend automatically when each space is filled with typing.
- 3. Where applicable **black out** the boxes that are not applicable in the form.
- 4. Incomplete applications may be returned to the applicant for revision.
- 5. The use of the phrase "not applicable" in the form must be done with circumspection. Should it be done in respect of material information required by the competent authority for assessing the application, it may result in the rejection of the application as provided for in the Regulations.
- 6. This application must be handed in at the offices of the relevant competent authority as determined by the Act and regulations.
- 7. No faxed or e-mailed applications will be accepted.
- 8. Unless protected by law, all information filled in on this application will become public information on receipt by the competent authority. Any interested and affected party should be provided with the information contained in this application on request, during any stage of the application process.
- 9. Should a specialist report or report on a specialised process be submitted at any stage for any part of this application, the terms of reference for such report must also be submitted.

Queries must be addressed to the contact hereunder:

Departmental Details

Postal address:

Department of Environmental Affairs Attention: Director: Environmental Impact Evaluation Private Bag X447 Pretoria 0001

Physical address: Department of Environmental Affairs Fedsure Forum Building (corner of Pretorius and Van der Walt Streets) 2nd Floor North Tower 315 Pretorius Street Pretoria 0002

Queries should be directed to the Directorate: Environmental Impact Evaluation at:

Tel: 012-310-3268 Fax: 012-320-7539

Please note that this form must be copied to the relevant provincial environmental department/s.

View the Department's website at <u>http://www.deat.gov.za/</u> for the latest version of the documents.

SITE IDENTIFICATION AND LINKAGE

Please indicate all the Surveyor-general 21 digit site (erf/farm/portion) reference numbers for all sites (including portions of sites) that are part of the application.

Annex Du Plessis Dam Farm 179																				
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(if there are more that 6, please attach a list with the rest of the numbers)

(These numbers will be used to link various different applications, authorisations, permits etc. that may be connected to a specific site)

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1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project applicant:	Mulilo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd					
Trading name (if any):						
Contact person:	Warren Morse					
Physical address:	Office 301 Execujet Business Ce		Road, Cape Town International			
Postal address:	PO Box 50, Cape Town Internation	onal Airport				
Postal code:	7525	Cell:	083 760 9586			
Telephone:	021 934 5278	Fax:	021 935 0505			
E-mail:	warren@mulilo.com					
Provincial Authority:	Northern Cape Department of En	vironmental A	ffairs and Nature Conservation			
Contact person:	Ms Anga Yaphi					
Postal address:	Private Bag X6102, Kimberley					
Postal code:	8300	Cell:	079 695 0267			
Telephone:	054 332 2885	Fax:	054 331 1155			
E-mail:	ayaphi@upprov.ncape.gov.za					
Landowner:	Roelof Stephanus Du Plessis (ple	ase see Anne	exure C).			
Contact person:	Roelof Stephanus Du Plessis					
Postal address:	PO Box 213, De Aar					
Postal code:	7000	Cell:	082 574 6371			
Telephone:	053 631 0042	Fax:				
E-mail:	charlduplessis@telkomsa.net					
	In instances where there is more	e than one lan	downer, please attach a list of			
	landowners with their contact de					
Local authority in whose	Emthanjeni Local Municipality					
jurisdiction the						
proposed activity will						
fall:						
Nearest town or	De Aar, Northern Cape.					
districts:						
Contact person:	Mev. C. Kloppers					
Postal address:	45 Voortrekker street					
Postal code:	7000	Cell:				
Telephone:	053 632 9100	Fax:	053 631 0105			
E-mail:	deaar@emthanjeni.co.za					

2. ACTIVITIES APPLIED FOR TO BE AUTHORISED

2.1 For an application for authorisation that involves more than one listed or specified activity that, together, make up one development proposal, all the listed activities pertaining to this application must be indicated.

Indicate the number and date of the relevant notice:	Activity No (s) (in terms of the relevant notice):	Describe each listed activity as per project description ¹ :
544, 2 August 2010	9	In order to transport water from the Municipal supply system to the proposed PV facility at Annex du Plessis Dam Farm, a pipeline may be constructed.
544, 2 August 2010	10	A 132kV overhead distribution line would be required to connect the PV facility to the onsite-substation. The 132kV distribution line would be approximately 2km long.
544, 2 August 2010	11 (x and xi)	Buildings and structures exceeding 50 m ² are proposed for the PV facility and it is possible that these might be within 32 meters of small tributaries.
545, 2 August 2010	1	The proposed PV facility would each have a generation capacity of 75MW; as such this activity is triggered.
546, 2 August 2010	10	Dangerous goods might be stored and handled on site from time to time within 100m of a watercourse.
546, 2 August 2010	14	This activity may or may not be triggered depending on the extent of the indigenous vegetation. This will be confirmed by the botanical assessment.
546, 2 August 2010	16	It is assumed that buildings and infrastructure, exceeding 10m ² would be constructed on the project site. Depending on the location of the respective buildings, this activity may be triggered.

Please note that any authorisation that may result from this application will only cover activities specifically applied for.

2.2 A project schedule, indicating the different phases and timelines of the project, must be attached to this application form (**please see Annexure A**).

¹ Please note that this description should not be a verbatim repetition of the listed activity as contained in the relevant Government Notice, but should be a brief description of activities to be undertaken as per the project description

3. OTHER AUTHORISATIONS REQUIRED

3.1 DO YOU NEED ANY AUTHORISATIONS IN TERMS OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LAWS?

3.1.1 National Environmental Management: Waste Act	No
3.1.2 National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act	No
3.1.3 National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act	No
3.1.4 National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act	No
3.1.5 National Environmental Management:	
Integrated Coastal Management Act ²	No
3.1.6 National Water Act	Yes
3.1.7 National Heritage Resources Act	Yes
3.1.8 Mineral Petroleum Development Resources Act	No
3.1.9 Other (please specify)	No
3.2 Have such applications been lodged already?	No

² Where an environmental authorization in terms of chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act is required for coastal activities, the competent authority must take into account all the relevant factors including those listed in section 63(1) of the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act.

4. DECLARATIONS

4.1 The Applicant

I, Warren Morse of Mulilo Renewable Energy (PTY) Ltd ,declare that I -

- am, or represent³, the applicant in this application;
- have appointed / will appoint (delete that which is not applicable) an environmental assessment
- practitioner to act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner for this application /
- will obtain exemption from the requirement to obtain an environmental assessment practitioner⁴;
- will provide the environmental assessment practitioner and the competent authority with access
 to all information at my disposal that is relevant to the application;
- will be responsible for the costs incurred in complying with the Environmental Impact Assessment

Regulations, 2010, including but not limited to -

- costs incurred in connection with the appointment of the environmental assessment practitioner or any person contracted by the environmental assessment practitioner;
- costs incurred in respect of the undertaking of any process required in terms of the Regulations;
- costs in respect of any fee prescribed by the Minister or MEC in respect of the Regulations;
- costs in respect of specialist reviews, if the competent authority decides to recover costs; and
- the provision of security to ensure compliance with conditions attached to an environmental authorisation, should it be required by the competent authority;

will ensure that the environmental assessment practitioner is competent to comply with the requirements of these Regulations and will take reasonable steps to verify whether the EAP complies with the Regulations;

will inform all registered interested and affected parties of any suspension of the application as well as of any decisions taken by the competent authority in this regard;

am responsible for complying with the conditions of any environmental authorisation issued by the competent authority;

hereby indemnify the Government of the Republic, the competent authority and all its officers, agents and employees, from any liability arising out of the content of any report, any procedure or any action which the applicant or environmental assessment practitioner is responsible for in terms of these Regulations;

will not hold the competent authority responsible for any costs that may be incurred by the applicant in proceeding with an activity prior to obtaining an environmental authorisation or prior to an appeal being decided in terms of these Regulations;

will perform all other obligations as expected from an applicant in terms of the Regulations;

³ If this is signed on behalf of the applicant, proof of such authority from the applicant must be attached (please see Annexure B).

⁴ If exemption is obtained from appointing an EAP, the responsibilities of an EAP will automatically apply to the person conducting the environmental impact assessment in terms of the Regulations.

- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Signature of the applicant⁴/ Signature on behalf of the applicant:

Mulilo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd Name of company (if applicable):

07.03.13

Date:

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⁴ If the applicant is a juristic person, a signature on behalf of the applicant is required as well as proof of such authority. An EAP may not sign on behalf of an applicant.



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DETAILS OF EAP AND DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): ¹	Aurecon South Africa (Pty) Ltd					
Contact person:	Miss Karen Versfeld					
Postal address:	PO Box 494, Cape Town					
Postal code:	8000	Cell:	084 454 9944			
Telephone:	021 526 5737	Fax:	021 526 9500			
E-mail:	karen.versfeld@aurecongroup.com					
Professional affiliation(s) (if any)	Miss Versfeld is registered as a Candidate Natural Scientist with SACNASP.					
Project Consultant:	N/A					
Contact person:						
Postal address:						
Postal code:		Cell:				
Telephone:		Fax:				
E-mail:						

4.2 The Environmental Assessment Practitioner

I, Karen Versfeld of Aurecon South Africa (Pty) Ltd, declare that -

General declaration:

- I act as the independent environmental practitioner in this application
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in regulation 8 of the regulations when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- I will ensure that information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application is distributed or made available to interested and affected parties and the public and that participation by interested and affected parties is facilitated in such a manner that all interested and affected parties will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to participate and to provide comments on documents that are produced to support the application;
- I will ensure that the comments of all interested and affected parties are considered and recorded in reports that
 are submitted to the competent authority in respect of the application, provided that comments that are made by
 interested and affected parties in respect of a final report that will be submitted to the competent authority may
 be attached to the report without further amendment to the report;
- I will keep a register of all interested and affected parties that participated in a public participation process; and
- I will provide the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal regarding the application, whether such information is favourable to the applicant or not
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct;
- will perform all other obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the Regulations; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Disclosure of Vested Interest (delete whichever is not applicable)

• I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010;

Signature of the environmental assessment practitioner:

Aurecon South Africa (Pty) Ltd

Name of company:

07/03/2013

Date:

ANNEXURE A

Project Programme

FOUR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE EXPANSION OF APPROVED PHOTOVOLTAIC FACILITIES NEAR DE AAR AND PRIESKA, NORTHERN CAPE

7 MARCH 2013

Manual Task

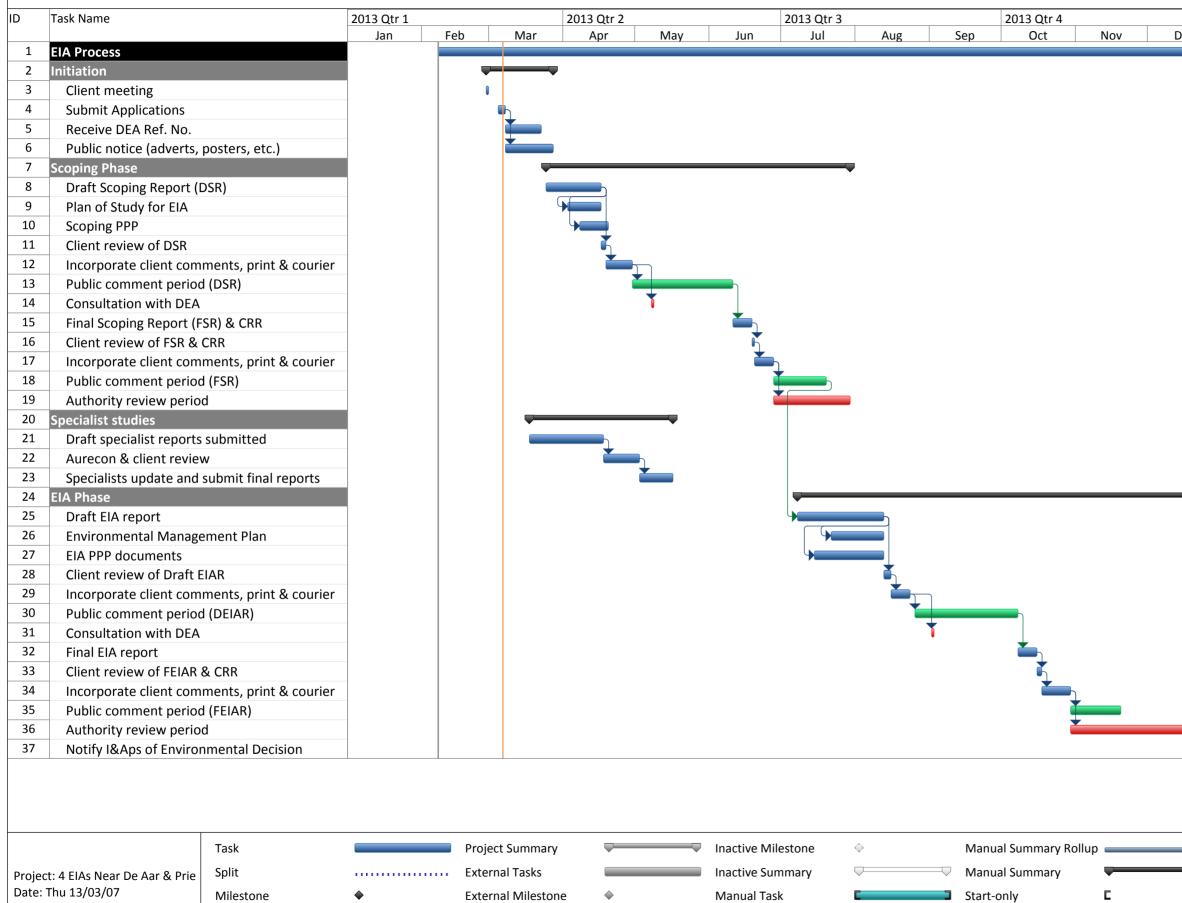
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External Milestone

Inactive Task

Summary

	2014 Qtr 1			2014 Qtr 2
Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
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	Progress			

ANNEXURE B

Letter from Applicant Regarding Signing Rights



Mulilo Renewable Energy (Pty)Ltd

PHYSICAL ADDRESS Office 301 Execujet Business Centre Tower Road Cape Town International Airport 7525 South Africa Telephone: +27 (0) 21 934 5268 Facsimile: +27 (0) 21 935 0505 / 0866356809 Email : <u>chris@capedeep.com</u> POSTAL ADDRESS P O Box 50 Cape Town International Airports 7525 South Africa

4th March 2013

RESOLUTION

Further to a meeting of the board of Mulilo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd, held at Cape Town on 4th March 2013, it has been agreed that Warren Morse has the authority to sign the Application Forms for Environmental Authorisation.

Signed at Cape Town on 4th March 2013

H Cullum

Director

C Aberdein

Director

Directors: CD Aberdein, J Coetsee, D J Crombie, J H Cullum Mulilo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd Registration number: 2008 / 010114 / 07 PO Box 50 Cape Town International Airport Cape Town 7525 South Africa

ANNEXURE C

Landowner Consent



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AWS/w/lease : 06/04/09

MEMORANDUM VAN HUUROOREENKOMS

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aangegaan en gesluit tussen

Du Plessis Rodof Stephanus 1390921 5023 085 Id 390921 5023 085

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(Registrasienommer:

(die 'VERHUURDER')

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MULILO RENEWABLE ENERGY (EDMS) BPK

(Registrasienommer: 2008/010114/07)

(die 'HUURDER')

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1. INTERPRETASIE

In hierdie Huurooreenkoms, tensy die konteks tot die teendeel aandui:

1.1 beteken die VERHUURDER:

Du Plessis, Roelof Stephanus

- 1.2 beteken die HUURDER Mulilo Renewable Energy (Edms) Bpk Ltd, Registrasienommer: 2008/010114/07, verteenwoordig deur Johannes Coetsee, wie behoorlik gemagtig is om as sodanig op te tree, van p/a Keeromstraat 68, Kaapstad, 8001;
- 1.3 beteken die HUURPERSEEL die plaas beskryf as, <u>PhilipStown KD 179 o Remaining Extent</u> gehou onder titelakte T..<u>15093./1986</u>, en met oppervlakte van <u>1244</u>,<u>5563</u>ha, maar uitgesluit alle geboue, plaasgereedskap en -implemente, voorraad, voertuie en waterbronne, onderhewig aan die bepalings van klousule 6 hieronder en ook uitgesluit alle gedeeltes wat nie deur die HUURDER gebruik word vir wind- en sonkragopwekking doeleindes nie;
- 1.4 beteken die AANVANGSDATUM die datum van ondertekening van hierdie Huurooreenkoms deur die party daartoe wat dit laaste onderteken;
- 1.5 beteken die OKKUPASIEDATUM die Aanvangsdatum;
- 1.6 beteken die AKTIVERINGSDATUM die eerste datum wat 'n turbine krag aan Eskom of 'n ander kommersiële gebruiker lewer, soos voorsiening voor gemaak word in klousule 5.4 hieronder.