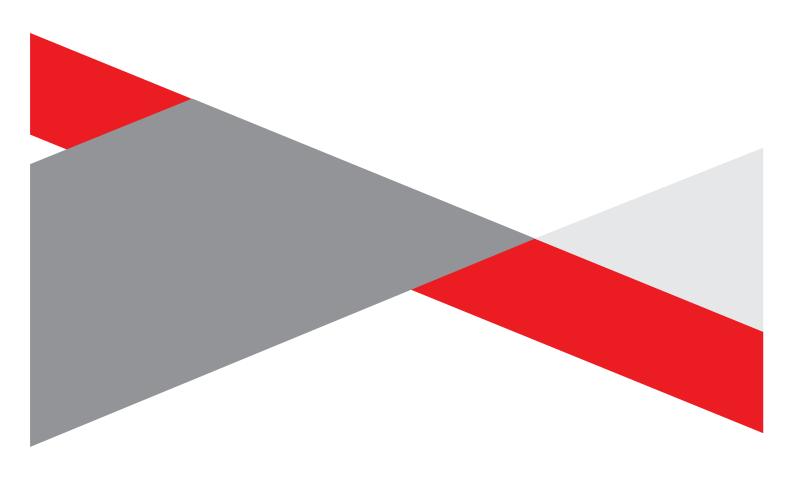
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# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

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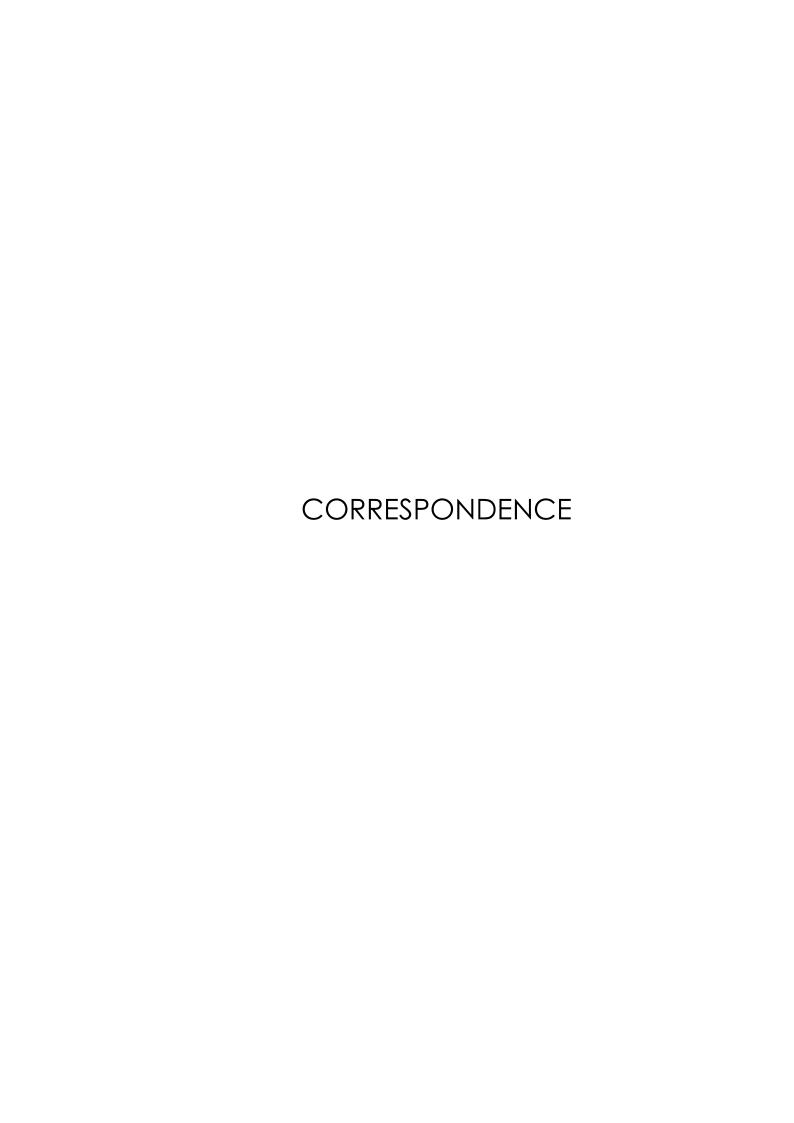
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# **Savannah Public Process**

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Sent: Monday, 03 April 2023 16:37

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Subject: SE3450: KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE -

Notification of Availability of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report for Review

and Comment

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# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2223)

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03 April 2023

Mr Kosie Zandberg Zandberg Boerdery

Per e-mail:

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Subject: SE3450: KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE -

Notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Public Participation Process

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Attachments: SE3450-Kutolu\_Tsatsi\_PV3\_EIA&BID&SR\_Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3450-KT\_PV\_3\_BID-

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(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

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**Documents attached:** Background Information Document

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02 November 2022

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### **Savannah Public Process**

From: Savannah Public Process

Sent: Wednesday, 02 November 2022 13:32

To:

Subject: SE3450: KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE -

Notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Public Participation Process

and Availability of Scoping Report for Review and Comment

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### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

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02 November 2022

Ms Mari Wilson Landowner

Per e-mail:

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You, as an adjacent landowner of **Portion 1 of the farm Melkbosch Vley 278** has been identified as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for this project. Should your property be leased, we kindly request you to please provide us with the name and contact details of the lessee to enable us to inform him/her/them of the project. The same request applies to any occupiers / workers you have on the above-mentioned property.

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Mr Kosie Zandberg Zandberg Boerdery

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You, as the Property Manager of Portion 2 of the farm Styns VIey 280, Portions 1 & 3 of the farm Styns VIey 280, Portion 1 and Remaining Extent of the farm Gemsboks Rivier 301, Portion 2 of the farm Kopjes VIey 281 and Remaining Extent of the farm Melkbosch VIey 278 has been identified as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for this project. Should there be any occupiers / workers on the above-mentioned properties, you are kindly requested to inform us of their names and contact details to ensure that they are also informed regarding this proposed project.

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## Kotulo Tsatsi Energy PV3 and Associated Infrastructure

### NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE

Applicant: Kotulo Tsatsi Energy (Pty) Ltd

**Proposed Activity:** The development of a Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Facility of up to 480MW and associated infrastructure. Infrastructure associated the Solar PV Facility will include:

- Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures.
- Inverters and transformers.
- Cabling between the project components.
- On-site facility substation and power line to facilitate the connection between the Solar PV Facility and the Eskom electricity grid at Aries Substation.
- Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.
- Laydown areas and temporary man camp area.
- Access roads, internal distribution roads and fencing around the development area.

**Project Location:** Adjacent to the authorised Kotulo Tsatsi PV1 and PV2 Facilities and within an area previously authorised for CSP infrastructure, ~70km south-west of Kenhardt in the Hantam Local Municipality and the Namakwa District Municipality. The project is located on Portion 2 of Farm Styns Vley 280.

**Application for Environmental Authorisation:** In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 – R327,

as amended, a Scoping/EIA process is to be undertaken. An application is to be lodged with the DFFE, as the competent authority.

*Scoping Report available for Review:* The Scoping Report is available for download, review and comment on the Savannah Environmental website: <a href="www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/">www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/</a>. The 30-day review and comment period for the Scoping Report is from 18 October 2022 until 17 November 2022. The final date to submit comments is 17 November 2022.

To obtain further information, register on the project database and submit comments, please use the contact details below:

### Nicolene Venter at Savannah Environmental

PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157

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Documents for public review are available for download.

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## Kotulo Tsatsi Energy PV3 and Associated Infrastructure

**Scoping Report** 

Appendix A - EIA Project Consulting Team CV's

**Appendix B - Authority Correspondence** 

### **Appendix C1 - I&AP Database**

**Appendix C2 - Site Notices & Newspaper Advertisements** 

**Appendix C3 - Background Information Document** 

**Appendix C4 - Organs of State Correspondence** 

**Appendix C5 - Stakeholder Correspondence** 

**Appendix C6 - Comments Received** 

**Appendix C7 - Minutes of Meetings** 

**Appendix C8 - Comments & Responses Report** 

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### **Nicolene Venter**

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Cc: Nicolene Venter

**Subject:** SE3450: KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE - Scoping

Report review and comment period ending soon

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2223)

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With reference to our letter dated 17 October 2022 in which we notified registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that the Scoping Report for the Kotulo Tsatsi Energy PV3 and Associated Infrastructure is available for review and comment from 18 November 2022 until 17 November 2022 has reference.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the Scoping Report and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments on the Scoping Report to please do so before or on Thursday, 17 November 2022.

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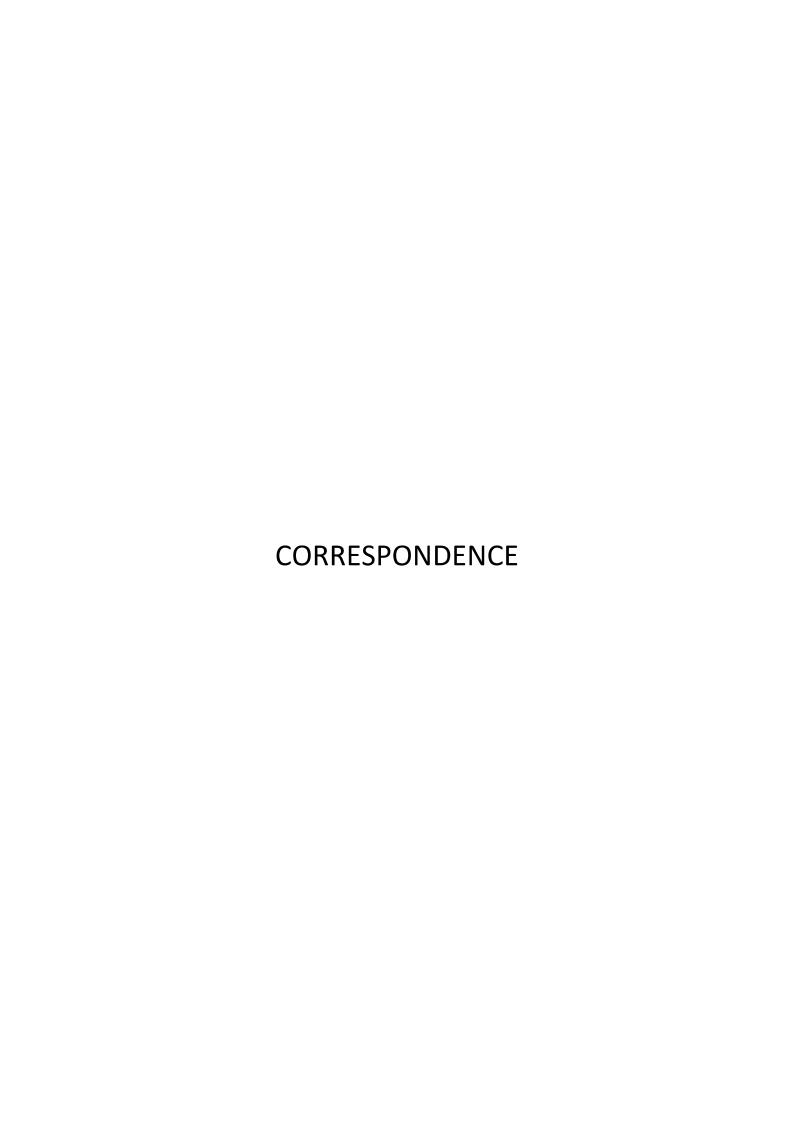
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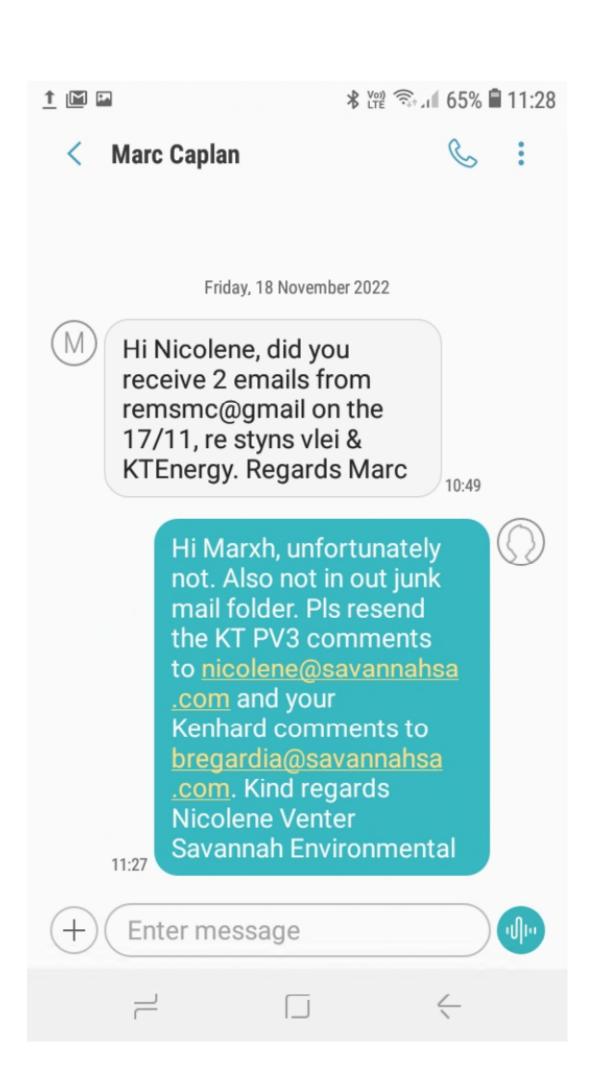
### KOTULO TSATSI ENERGY PV3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

### **Registration & Comment Form**

October 2022

Return completed registration and comment form to: Nicolene Venter of Savannah Environmental

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### **Nicolene Venter**

From: Nicolene Venter

**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 November 2022 17:57

To: Marc Caplan

**Subject:** SE3450: Kotulo Tsatsi PV3 - Acknowledgement of Registration

**Attachments:** 03. COETZEE Trust.pdf

Dear Marc,

Please receive herewith confirmation that you have been registered on the Kotulo Tsatsi PV3 project database.

We had also register Coetzee Trust – please provide us with the following details to be captured on the database (see attached):

- Name
- Surname
- Telephone number
- Mobile number

Kind regards,



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From: Marc Caplan <remsmc@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, 21 November 2022 09:44

To: Nicolene Venter < nicolene@savannahsa.com>

Subject: Registration as I&AP Solar Voltaic facility includes linear infrastructure SW Kenhardt, vir Kotula Tstatsi Energy

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Hello Nicolene,

The untitled attached file has details wanted by DME on this project, can Mv Rabbie use the same info for her Bio Therm project DFFE ref: 12/12/20/2631/AM8 or must i go to town to print out another form?

### regards Marc

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Marc Caplan < remsmc@gmail.com >

Date: Thu, 17 Nov 2022 at 13:47

Subject: registration as I&AP Solar Voltaic facility includes linear infrastructure SW Kenhardt, vir Kotula Tstatsi Energy

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To: <publicprocesses@savannahsa.com>

Hello Nicolene Venter,

See attached file can you ask the Ms Rabie to include me in meetings for the bitherm project near Kenhardt.

regards

### M. Caplan

### Agricultural Extension Services

Tel: + (27) 71 414 4198

Professional Natural Scientist (Ecologist)

Reg. No. 400107/08

Southern African Biological exists for Life!!

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### Name and address **Contact information Trustee** Phone numbers Main: Coetzee Trust Fax: Cell: Email addresses / Website Email: coetzeetrust92@gmail.com Email 2: Email 3: **Key Fields for:** Registered I&AP • 3450-Kutolo Tsatsi PV3 EIA Projects:

### **Savannah Public Process**

From: Savannah Public Process

**Sent:** Tuesday, 25 October 2022 12:43 **To:** januariemenno@gmail.com

**Subject:** SE3450: Kotulo Tsatsi: Agtergrondinligtingsdokument

Attachments: SE3450-Kutolu Tsatsi PV3 EIA&BID&SR Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3450-KT PV 3 BID-

FINAL.pdf; SE3450-Kotulo Tsatsi PV3 RegComm Form-FINAL.pdf

Beste Menno,

Soos versoek, vind hierby aangeheg die Agtergrondinligtingsdokument wat addisionele inligting rakende die voorgestelde projek bevat.

Moet asseblief nie huiwer om ons te skakel idien jy enige additionele inligting verlang nie.

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