



## environmental affairs

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### DETAILS OF THE SPECIALIST, DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended (the Regulations)

#### PROJECT TITLE

**55.5MW Springbok Wind Power Generation Facility near Springbok Northern Cape Province.**

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**1. SPECIALIST INFORMATION**

Specialist Company Name:	Birds & Bats Unlimited		
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	4	Percentage Procurement recognition
Specialist name:	Dr Robert E Simmons		
Specialist Qualifications:	PhD (Wits), MSc (Acadian Univ, Canada), BSc Hons (London)		
Professional affiliation/registration:	Birdlife South Africa, Honourary Research Associate University of Cape Town		
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**2. DECLARATION BY THE SPECIALIST**

I, Dr Robert Edward Simmons, declare that –

- I act as the independent specialist 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 the specialist report relevant to this application, 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 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;
- 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 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.



Signature of the Specialist

Birds & Bats Unlimited

Name of Company:

15 May 2023

Date

3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION

I, Dr Robert Edward Simmons, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.



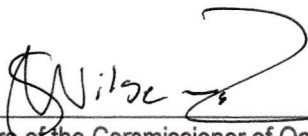
Signature of the Specialist

Birds & Bats Unlimited

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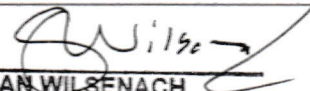


Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

15 May 2023

Date

I certify that this document is a true copy of the original which has been examined by me and that, from my observations, the original has not been altered in any manner.



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