

**NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING  
(S&EIR) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED MAREETSANE BATHO-BATHO  
SOLAR PV FACILITY NEAR MAREETSANE, NORTH WEST PROVINCE**

**INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY  
AND COMMENT ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT**

**SEF Ref No: 504744  
DEA Ref No: 14/12/16/3/3/2/514  
DEA NEAS Ref No: DEA/EIA/0001785/2013**

Notice is given in terms of Regulations published in Government Notice No. R.543 in Government Gazette No. 33306 18 June 2010, under Section 54(c)(i) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998), as amended (NEMA), that **Kgatelopele Private Equity and Venture Capital (Pty) Ltd** proposes to establish a 30 Mega Watt (MW) **Solar Photo Voltaic (PV) Facility** and associated powerlines which will evacuate electricity generated by the proposed facility to the National Grid in order to increase local electrical capacity for the Mareetsane Community. The proposed site is approximately 140 hectares (ha) in extent, located on Tribal Land Mareetsane Batho-Batho approximately 10 km south-west of the Batho-Batho Village within the jurisdiction of the Ratlou Local Municipality, Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality in the North West Province.

In terms of Government Notice No. R.543 of NEMA, read with Government Notice No. R.544 (Listing Notice No. 1: Activities 9, 10, 11, 18 and 22, Government Notice No. R.546 (Listing No. 3: Activities 4, 14 and 16) and Government Notice No. R.545 (Listing No. 2: Activities 1 and 15) of NEMA, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) Process is required in order to obtain an Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) for the above mentioned project.

In terms of Section 21 (c) and (i) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA), the proposed Mareetsane Batho-Batho Solar PV Facility and associated powerlines may also require a Water Use License (WUL) for impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse; and altering the beds, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse. This is largely due to the existing watercourses and wetlands within and in close proximity to the proposed site.

The **Draft Scoping Report** for the abovementioned project is available for **public review and comment** from **Tuesday, 16 April 2013 to Tuesday, 28 May 2013** on SEF's website ([www.sefsa.co.za](http://www.sefsa.co.za)) and at the **Mareetsane Tribal Office, 636 Zone 1, Batho-Batho, 2716**. Contact Chief G.G. Motshegare on Tel No: 072 630 6139. The report can be viewed from Mon - Fri (09h00 to 16h00) and on Sat (09h30 to 14h00).

Interested and/or affected parties who wish to participate by contributing comments on the Draft Scoping Report, or who would like to obtain more information, should please contact Mr Mandla Zuma of STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS (PTY) LTD via post: P.O. Box 74785, Lynnwood Ridge, 0040, or Tel: (012) 349 1307, Fax (012) 349 1229 or Email: [mandla@sefsa.co.za](mailto:mandla@sefsa.co.za) **on or before 28 May 2013**.



**S · E · F**

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS