APPENDIX C

PROOF OF NOTIFICATION, PHOTOS AND SITE NOTICES

APPENDIX C1

PROOF OF NEWSPAPER NOTICE

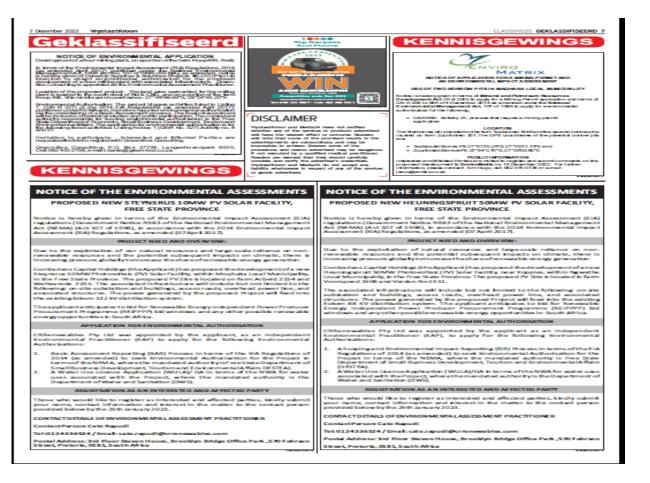
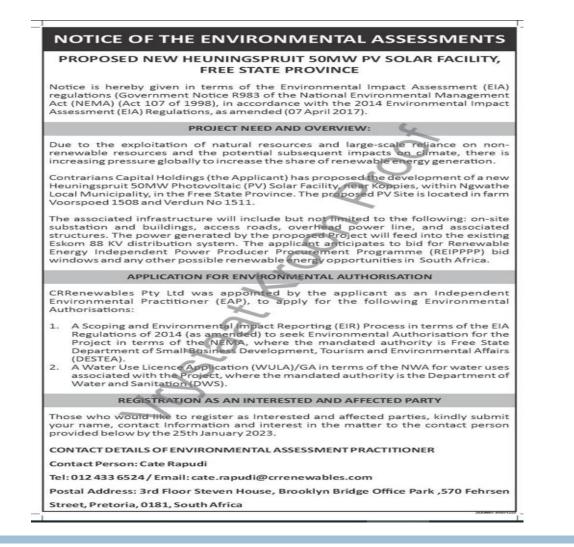


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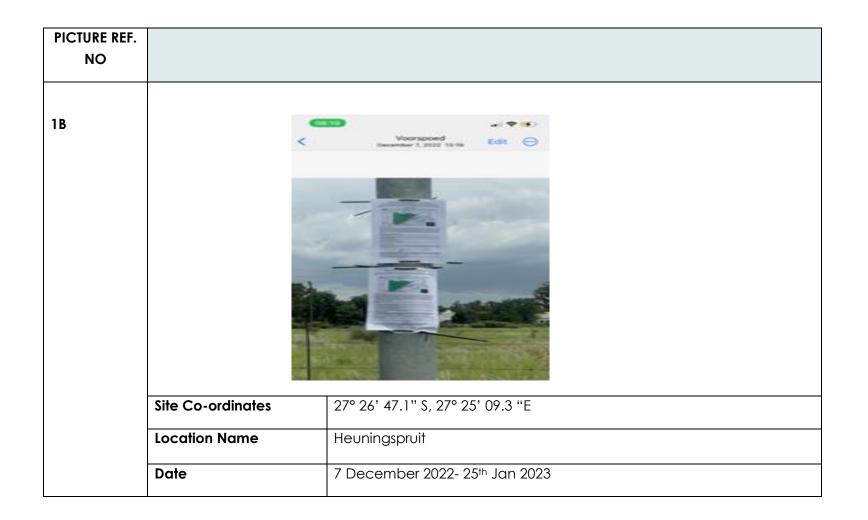


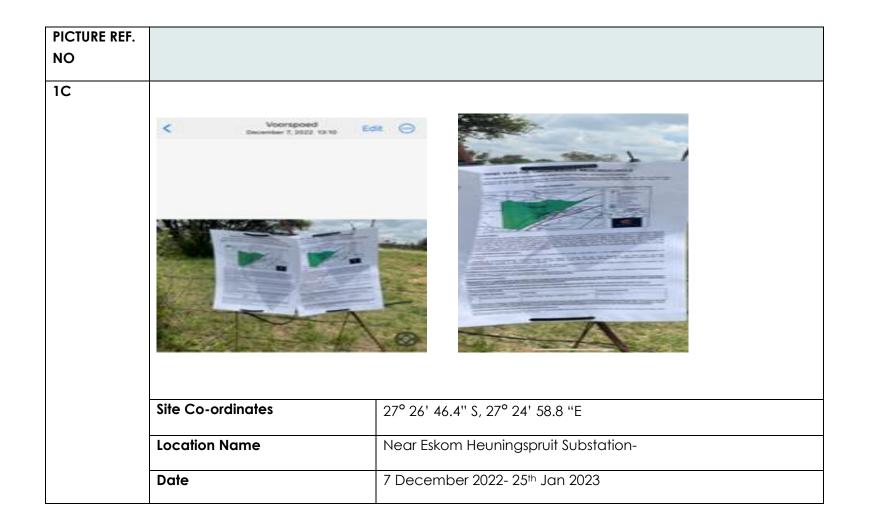
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PHOTOS AND LOCATIONS FOR SITE NOTICES

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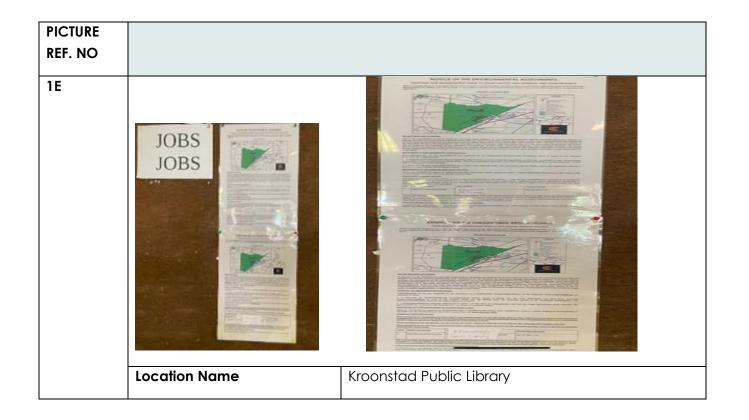






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Initial Information Document (IID)

Proposed Heuningspruit 50MW PV Solar Facility, Free State





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1.PROJECT OVERVIEW AND BACKGROUND

Due to the exploitation of natural resources and large-scale reliance on nonrenewable resources and the potential subsequent impacts on climate, there is increasing pressure globally to increase the share of renewable energy generation.

Contrarians Capital Holdings (the Applicant) has proposed the development of a new Heuningspruit 50MW Photovoltaic (PV) Solar Facility, near Koppies, within Ngwathe Local Municipality, in the Free State Province. The proposed PV Site is located in farm Voorspoed 1508 and Verdun No 1511.

The associated infrastructure will include but not limited to the following: onsite substation and buildings, access roads, overhead power line, and associated structures. The power generated by the proposed Project will feed into the existing Eskom Distribution System. The applicant anticipates to bid for Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) bid windows and any other possible renewable energy opportunities in South Africa.

It is important to note that the project was initially proposed at 5MW capacity, and was issued with an Environmental Authorisation in 2014, unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances the environmental authorisation lapsed, this process serves to re-apply for such authorisation and applicable water use authorisations (GA).

2. THE PURPOSE FOR INITIAL INFORMATION DOCUMENT (IID)

- 1. To provide background information about the proposed development and its benefits
- 2. To afford all Interested and Affected Parties (IAP's) an opportunity to register, in-order to voice their concerns and interests before the development takes place
- 3. It provides an outline for the Environmental Impact Assessment process to be undertaken, in this case, is called Environmental Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (EIR) processes.

3. LOCALITY MAPS

The proposed development falls within the jurisdiction of Ngwathe Local Municipality, in the Free State Province and it entails the establishment of a new Heuningspruit 50MW PV Solar Facility with battery storage and supporting infrastructures. The project will be located on farm Voorspoed 1508 and Verdun 1511 in Heuningspruit, near Koppies. Please refer to the locality map below.

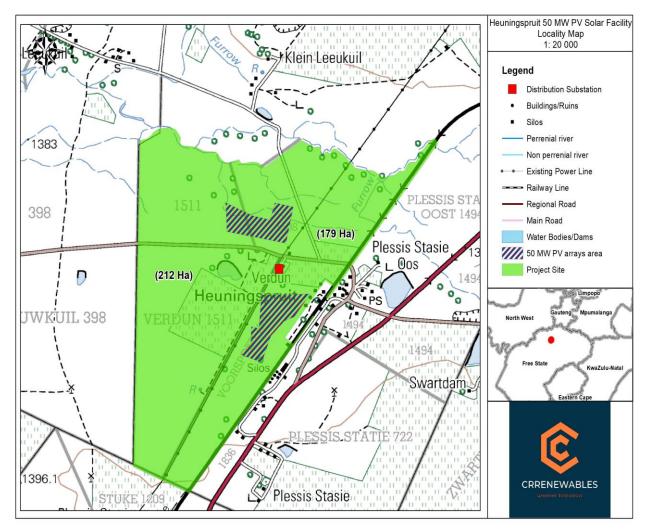


Figure 1: Locality Map

4.ENVIRONMENTAL LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

4.1 APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

CRRENEWABLES Pty Ltd is appointed, as an Independent Environmental Practitioner (EAP) to apply for Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Powerline and supporting substation in terms of the NEMA EIA regulations.

The competent authority to decide on the application is Free State Department of Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (DESTEA).

The development of facilities or infrastructure for the generation of electricity from a renewable resource where the electricity output is 20 megawatts or more, requires a full Environmental Impact Assessment Study (EIR) process as contemplated in NEMA EIA listing 2 of 2014, Regulation 1 of GN No R325 of 7th April 2017. The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will provide details of the environmental assessment conducted and further include all comments from IAPs. A draft copy of the Scoping Report will be made available for public review, prior to compiling the final EIR, which should be submitted to DESTEA for final decision.

NB: Kindly note that <u>**Only Registered IAPs**</u> will continue to be notified of the BAR and other EIA process requirements.

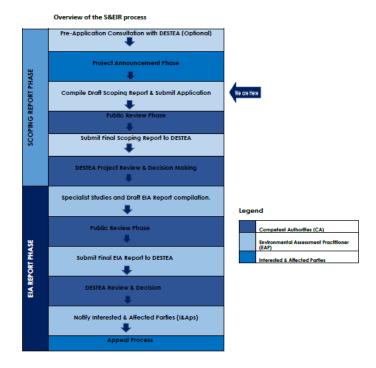


Figure 2: Environmental Impact Reporting Process & Status:

5.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (PPP)

The PPP will be conducted based on the requirements of Chapter 6 of GN No. 982 of the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended (07 April 2017) of the NEMA.

5.1 The purpose for PPP is as follows:

- To provide for the opportunity for all role players including potential and RI&APs, EAPs, state departments, organs of state, and the competent authority (CA) to obtain clear, accurate and understandable information about the environmental impacts of the proposed activity or implications of a decision;
- To provide for role- players to voice their support, concerns and questions regarding the project, application or decision.
- To provide the opportunity for role-players to suggest ways for reducing or mitigating any negative impacts of the project and for enhancing its positive impacts;
- To enable the person conducting PP to incorporate the needs, preferences and values of potential or I&AP's into its proposed development that becomes the subject of an application for an environmental authorization (EA);
- To provide opportunities for clearing up misunderstandings about technical issues, resolving disputes and reconciling conflicting interests;
- To encourage transparency and accountability in decision-making; to contribute toward maintaining a healthy, vibrant democracy; and
- To give effect to the requirement for procedural fairness of administrative action as contained in the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (Act No. 3 of 2000).

5.2 The Public Participation Process will involve the following:

- Site notices will be placed at noticeable and strategic points.
- At the earmarked sites and around the study area.
- Project notices will be e-mailed or faxed to all identified Interested and affected parties, including Ward councillors of the area, authorities and relevant state departments
- Notices will be placed in the local newspapers (VrystaatKroon))
- IIDs will be distributed to potential I&AP's
- The majority of people living in the study area speak Afrikaans language. This community will be addressed using the local newspaper, local radio (where possible), otherwise, the group will be reached through ward councillor's, community /or interventions, where required / or public notices.
- CRRENEWABLES Pty Ltd Social Media Platforms (e.g Facebook page and website) will be used to share the content of the notice.

IAPs are encouraged to participate in the process in-order for their concerns to be addressed and included in the Final Scoping and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). All interested or affected should register themselves from the <u>7th Dec 2022</u> <u>until 25th January 2023</u> using the email address provided below.

Public Review Process:

Registered IAPs are to review and comment on the draft documents which will be lodged at the following place for review from the <u>1st of March until the 6th of April</u> <u>2023</u>.

Ref	Name of Location	Site Address	Contact Details
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Please note that <u>only registered IAPs</u> will continue to be notified of the relevant processes, any changes, as well as dates for public meetings, where required. All comments received, will be included into the PPP Feedback Report which will be included in the Final EIR to be submitted to DESTEA.

To be registered as an Interested Party, kindly submit your name and contact information to the consultant below:

CONTACT DETAILS OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER

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Tel: 012 433 6524

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