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Dear Sir/Madam

DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2051

ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED VELD PV NORTH ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, ON THE REMINDER OF FARM 53 HARAMOEP, NEAR AGGENEYS IN THE NORTHERN CAPE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT REPORTS FOR COMMENT

Veld PV North (Pty) Ltd proposes to develop a 75 MW Photovoltaic (PV) solar energy facility and associated infrastructure on farm Haramoep (Remainder of Farm 53) in the Namakwa District Municipality, approximately 20 km north-west of Aggeneys in the Northern Cape.

Aurecon South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Aurecon) has been appointed to undertake the environmental authorisation process, required by the 2014 EIA regulations (GN R982 of 2014), pursuant to the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (as amended) (NEMA). Please note that two (2) separate environmental applications for two solar farms and grid connection are being undertaken and will be submitted to the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA), for this application and for the proposed PV South Facility DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2052. This notification refers to PV North as detailed in the table below.

Title	Veld PV North
DEA ref. no.	14/12/16/3/3/1/2051
Proponent	Veld PV North (Pty) Ltd
Report currently available	Draft Basic Assessment Report

This letter is an invitation to all interested and affected parties (I&APs) to register for this project, or to submit any comments on the Draft Basic Assessment Report, questions and/or concerns to the project team (details below) between **6 September 2019 to 7 October 2019**.

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Comment Period: The Draft Basic Assessment Report is being made available to the public for a 30-day review and comment period from **6 September to 7 October 2019.**

A CD copy of the report is included with this letter.

A hard copy of the report is available the **Aggeneys Public library.**

A digital copy of the report available on Drop Box at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/snz66ideo8nktpt/AABnDlrWNoBLRoHbBzGbN7kHa?dl=0>

or on Google Drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14TWDxsYWuqgRFX5qIHx44aS-9W064JJV?usp=sharing>

Following the closure of the 30-day public comment, the draft reports will be updated by incorporating and addressing any I&AP and Authority comments received on the reports and the Comments and Responses Register will be updated. The finalised reports will then be submitted to the DEA for decision-making. All registered I&APs will be notified of their decision.

Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our PPP team who will be happy to provide any further information.

Yours Sincerely,
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DOS Verw.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2051

**OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING (OM) VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE VELD PV NOORD ENERGIE
FASILITEIT EN VERWANTE INFRASTRUKTUUR, OP DIE RESTANT VAN PLAAS 53 HARAMOEP,
NABY AGGENEYS IN DIE NOORD-KAAP**

PUBLIEKEDEELNAMEPROSES

**BESKIKBAARHEID VAN KONSEP BASIESE INVLOEDBEPALINGSVERSLAG VIR
KOMMENTAAR**

Veld PV Noord (Edms) Bpk is van voorneme om 'n 75 MW sonkragaanleg en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur te ontwikkel op Plaas Haramoep (Restant van Plaas 53) in die Namakwa Distrik Munisipaliteit, ongeveer 20 km noord-wes van Aggeneys in die Noord-Kaap.

Aurecon Suid-Afrika (Edms) Bpk (Aurecon) is aangestel om die Omgewingsmagtigings proses te onderneem soos vereis word deur die 2014 OIB-regulasies (GK R982 van 2014) op grond van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (Wet 107 van 1998, soos gewysig) (WNOB). Neem asseblief kennis dat daar twee (2) aparte omgewingsaansoeke vir die twee sonkragaanlegte en netwerk konneksie onderneem sal word wat by die Nasionale Departement van Omgewingsake (DOS) ingedien word vir hierdie aansoek asook vir die voorgestelde PV Suid fasiliteit DOS Verw: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2052. Hierdie kennisgewing verwys na PV Noord en besonderhede uiteengesit in die table hieronder.

Titel	Veld PV Noord
DOS Verw. Nr.:	14/12/16/3/3/1/2051
Aansoeker:	Veld PV North (Edms) Bpk
Verslag tans beskikbaar:	Konsep Basiese Invloedbepalingsverslag

Hierdie brief nooi dus alle belanghebbende en geaffekteerde partye (B&GP) uit om te registreer vir die projek, of om enige kommentaar, vrae en/of kwellinge aan die projekspan (besonderhede hieronder) in te dien tussen **6 September 2019 en 7 Oktober 2019**.

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Kommentaar Periode: Die Konsep Basiese Invloedbepalingsverslag (KBIV) word aan die publiek vir 'n 30-dag hersiening en kommentaar periode vanaf 6 September 2019 tot 7 Oktober 2019 beskikbaar gestel.

'n **CD** van die verslag is by hierdie brief ingesluit.

'n **Harde kopie** is beskikbaar die **Aggeneys Publieke Biblioteek**.

'n Digitale kopie van die verslag is beskikbaar op "Dropbox":

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/snz66ideo8nktpt/AABnDirWNoBLRoHbBzGbN7kHa?dl=0>

of op "Google Drive":

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14TWDxsYWuqpRFX5qIHx44aS-9W064JJV?usp=sharing>

Alle kommentaar ontvang gedurende hierdie periode sal op gereageer word en aangeteken word in 'n Kommentaar- en Antwoord verslag. Indien van toepassing, sal die opvolgende verslae opgedateer word met alle insette ontvang. Die verslae sal voorgelê word aan die DOS vir hul oorweging in die besluitneming proses.

Indien u enige verdere vrae het, kan u gerus ons Projekspan by Aurecon kontak wat dan aan u verdere inligting sal verskaf.

Vriendelike groete



Charles Norman

Bestuurder: Omgewing en Beplanning