

## APPENDIX C2:

### Site Notices and Newspaper Advertisements

# NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

## GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE RONDAVEL PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY, FREE STATE PROVINCE

**Applicant:** South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd

**Proposed Activity:** The development of the grid connection infrastructure ('Rondavel Grid Connection') for the proposed 75MW Rondavel Solar PV Facility.

The following infrastructure will be developed:

- » On site substation, which will consist of:
  - » 33/132 kV Eskom substation
  - » Associated equipment, infrastructure and buildings
  - » Temporary and permanent laydown areas
- » Overhead power line with a capacity of up to 132kV from the onsite 33/132kV Eskom substation.
- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.
- » Laydown areas and temporary man camp area.
- » Access and maintenance roads.

Three alternative routes are being considered for the Rondavel Grid Connection solution. The Rondavel Grid Connection will loop into either the Kroonstad Municipality – Kroonstad SW STN 1 132kV power line or connect directly with the Kroonstad Municipality 132/66kV substation, depending on which alternative is constructed. The assessment of the grid connection infrastructure will consider a corridor with a width of up to 260m.

Project	Alternative and approximate distance	Assessment corridor width
Rondavel Grid Connection	Alternative 1: 3 054m Alternative 2: 3 902m Alternative 3: 1 474m	Within a 260m assessment corridor

**Location:** The proposed Rondavel Grid Connection alternatives are located ~ 5km south of Kroonstad in the Moqhaka Local Municipality and within the Fezile Dabi District Municipality, on either of the following alternative properties:

Project name	Affected Properties
Rondavel Grid Connection	<p><u>Alternative 1:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Remaining extent of the farm Rondavel No. 627</li> <li>» Portion 1 of the farm Rondavel No. 627</li> <li>» Portion 0 of the farm Rondavel No. 627</li> <li>» Remaining extent of the farm Boschplaat No. 330</li> <li>» Remaining extent of the farm Salie No. 1837</li> </ul> <p><u>Alternative 2:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Remaining extent of the farm Rondavel-Noord No. 1475</li> <li>» Portion 1 of the farm Naseby Thorns No. 288</li> <li>» Portion 0 of the farm Leeuwkrantz No. 1384</li> <li>» Remaining extent of the farm Dorp Gronden Van Kroonstadt No. 460</li> </ul>

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Portion 225 of the farm Dorp Gronden Van Kroonstadt No. 460</li><li>» Portion 226 of the farm Dorp Gronden Van Kroonstadt No. 460</li></ul> <p><u>Alternative 3:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Remaining extent of the farm Rondavel-Noord No. 1475</li><li>» Remaining extent of the farm Waterloo No. 1383</li></ul> |
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**Environmental Impact Assessment Process:** In accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the applicants require Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the National Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) in consultation with the Free State Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs for the development of the proposed project. The application for the EA for the Rondavel Grid Connection is subject to the completion of a Basic Assessment (BA) process. This application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to:

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**PROOF OF SITE NOTICES** (Date placed: 18 November 2020)



**Figure 1:** Site notice 1 placed at the entrance to Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°42'34.5"S 27°10'02.8"E)



**Figure 2:** Site notice 2 placed along the R34, 2.8km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°42'12.7"S 27°11'38.5"E)



**Figure 3:** Site notice 3 placed at the entrance to the farm where the grid connection will commence, 14.3km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°39'58.7"S 27°12'07.7"E)



**Figure 4:** Process Notice 1 placed at the Panarama Plaza (within the closest Town), 10km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°40'38.5"S 27°14'22.4"E)



**Figure 5:** Process Notice 2 placed at the Kroonstad Magistrate Court (within the closest Town), 11km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°40'11.6"S 27°14'02.1"E)





**Figure 6:** Process Notice 3 placed at the Atlantic Oil Garage (within the closest Town), 12.5km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°39'47.6"S 27°13'40.2"E)

