the South African refining industry suddenly went into decline in the 2020s, given new petrol and air quality standards and the inability of the old refineries to justify crude imports, given that refined imports were cheaper from the world's mega-refineries. As a result, even the two operations in Africa's largest refining complex, South Durban – one jointly owned by BP and Shell and the other by Malaysia-based Petronas with Nhleko as partner – shut down in April 2022 and December 2020, respectively. Natref's fate depended in part upon whether a massive pipeline from Durban to Johannesburg could be retooled in a manner that justified further refinery contraction on sound economic grounds.<sup>54</sup>

Moreover, the other element working against Total's operations at Natref was growing antipollution sentiments from local residents of Sasolburg and their national NGO and legal allies.<sup>55</sup> In mid-2022, a shortage of crude petroleum available in Transnet pipelines from Durban meant the 108,000-barrel-a-day Natref refinery shut down temporarily. Break-ins and tampering with pipelines are so common that in 2019-20, Transnet acknowledged 8.5 million liters were stolen by fuel syndicates.<sup>56</sup>

But it was on South Africa's Atlantic coastline that Total generated most eco-social resistance in early 2022, when its plans for seismic blasting became clear. Working in conjunction with Impact Africa and a tiny company, Sezigyn (run by three men whose other online presence was in providing funeral services in rural villages in the country's far north), Total chose a 3-dimensional exploration area (i.e. using much more intense, targeted blasting of the ocean floor). The leading public-interest lawyer in the movement, Wilmien Wicomb from the Legal Resources Centre in Cape Town, clarified how a judgement made against Shell two weeks earlier "confirmed the right of interested and affected communities to be consulted meaningfully, which includes the opportunity to voice their concerns about the proposed project and to have those concerns adequately addressed." Total's local partners (especially Impact Africa and Sezigyn in the 3-D zone but all the other clients of Seismic Searcher) had simply ignored their obligations, especially in relation to Wicomb's subsistence-fisherfolk clients.

In the same week, a "Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies" within the Academy of Science of South Africa firmly weighed in against seismic blasting on marine-conservation grounds, detailing why "There is a reasonable apprehension of real harm to marine life." Their case was based on the "lack of sufficient, detailed scientific information on South Africa's offshore marine resources (both biotic and abiotic), and a flawed legal distinction between substance-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Paul Burkhardt, "SA petroleum imports expected to triple next year as domestic refineries close," Bloomberg, 6 May (2022), https://www.news24.com/fin24/economy/sa-petroleum-imports-expected-to-triple-next-year-as-domestic-refineries-close-20220506

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Centre for Environmental Rights, "groundWork goes to court to defeat Minister's plan to weaken air pollution standards," Cape Town, 6 May (2019), https://cer.org.za/news/groundwork-goes-to-court-to-defeat-ministers-plan-to-weaken-air-pollution-standards

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Tabelo Timse, "How armed gangs steal millions worth of fuel from buried Transnet pipelines," News24, 18 March (2022). https://www.news24.com/fin24/companies/amabhungane-how-armed-gangs-steal-millions-worthof-fuel-from-buried-transnet-pipelines-20220317

based pollutants and energy-based pollutants, such as sound."57

These lines of argument proved successful in five out of six early-2022 High Court judgements – mainly injunctions against further seismic blasting – and were backed by dozens of protests attended by people of diverse races, classes and ages, with different agendas in attempting to halt Total, Shell and local partners. On 1 September 2022, the Makhanda High Court found in favour of Shell's critics, on various grounds including those excerpted below in Appendix 1.

One reason for the oil companies' defeat is that they were seen to have potentially negated good governance through financial contributions to the ruling party, whose chairperson since 2017 has been Mantashe. His role was seen as especially obnoxious, and as a result of his attempt to libel oil company critics, Mantashe forfeited his own right to play a regulatory role in adjudicating community and environmental complaints.

Whether or not Mantashe felt financial influences, Shell had been implicated in making a R15 million donation (via Batho Batho Trust) and as Rob Rose of *Business Day* explained Judge Gerald Bloem's finding in January 2022, that "Mantashe had 'nailed his colours to Shell's mast' when he accused those opposing Shell – including black fishing communities – of 'apartheid and colonialism of a special kind.' Speaking of Mantashe's 'emotive language' in the judgment, Bloem said 'it appears the minister had made up his mind'."<sup>58</sup>

Likewise, Total's two main local partners – Johnny Copelyn, the chair of Impact Oil (parent of Impact Africa), and Phuthuma Nhleko of Pembani Group (the firm that bought the main Shanduka holdings from Ramaphosa in 2014-16) – both donated R2 million to the Cyril Ramaphosa African National Congress presidential campaign, thus also appearing to have gained influence through donations to the ruling party.<sup>59</sup>

Corporate social responsibility is insufficient as a system of accountability, even including France's 2017 Law on the Duty of Vigilance (based on the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights). The latter is described by Antoine Duval from the Asser Institute as "apologetic and acritical... [joining] a long tradition of processes aimed at limiting the actual responsibility of corporations." Three NGOs critical of Total's role in the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (linking Uganda and Tanzania) – *Les Amis de la Terre, the Ugandan National Association of Professional Environmentalists, and the Africa Institute for Energy Governance* – together

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies Sub-committee on Marine Ecology and Risk Mitigation, "Advisory on the Use of Deep-Sea Seismic Surveys to Explore for Oil and Gas Deposits in South African Waters," Johannesburg, 10 January (2022),

https://www.assaf.org.za/files/2022/SAGE/SAGE%20Advisory%20on%20Shell%20Seismic%20Survey.pdf <sup>58</sup> Rob Rose, "ANC 'donation' twist to Shell fracas," Business Day, 13 January (2022).

https://www.businesslive.co.za/fm/opinion/editors-note/2022-01-13-rob-rose-anc-donation-twist-to-shell-fracas/ <sup>59</sup> Rebecca Davis, "#CR17 email leaks: Separating the myths from the facts," *Daily Maverick*, 21 August (2019), https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2019-08-21-cr17-email-leaks-separating-the-myths-from-the-facts-parttwo/ and Sunday Independent, "How the CR17 campaign funds were channeled," 18 August (2019), https://www.pressreader.com/south-africa/the-sunday-independent/20190811/281505047850542

filed a legal complaint against Total as a result.<sup>60</sup>

It should be abundantly evident that a "fit and proper" corporation test is overdue for Total (and partners Impact Africa and Pembani, especially in the Brulpadda area, given their presumed influence – as major campaign donors – over President Ramaphosa). Such an examination would confront a recent past that, over the past quarter century, suggests the environmental, social, political and economic impacts of its oil and gas businesses are in severe conflict with sustainability and good governance.

Firms in the extractive industries should be considered as, in essence, outsourced service providers. After all, the state owns the minerals and fossil fuels in South Africa's political territory (including offshore exploration sites). This perspective would allow management of natural resources in a very different manner, and would allow for the transparency that is now lacking (including in environmental impact assessments). The government should be considered the principal, with the citizenry acting as the custodians or trust beneficiaries, who in turn have the right to demand from service providers fit and proper behaviour. Given Total's record, it is hard to imagine that if there *were* a genuine opportunity to bid for the extraction of South Africa's natural resources, it could be considered a serious candidate.

#### Conclusion

This submission has focused on the climate damage implicit in an entire methane life-cycle process, but additional critiques by civil society and other researchers relating to the impact on biodiversity, marine life, local economic development in areas with highly-vulnerable eco-tourism assets (e.g. fishing), and (non) consultation, are of enormous importance. Again, to remind of the stakes associated with climate damage, Southern Africa was from 2000-19 the worst-hit region within Africa, as Mozambique was considered the world's fourth most damaged country, especially as a result of the two cyclones in 2019.<sup>61</sup> And the continent's largest greenhouse gas emitter, South Africa, also suffered climate disasters during the 2010s, including sustained droughts in several parts of the country (resulting in a severe locust plague in 2021-22 once rain came), a "Day Zero" threat of completely depleted water reserves in the second city of Cape Town in 2017-18 and in several Eastern Cape cities in mid-2022, and four "Rain Bombs" of more than 100 mm/day in Durban: in 2017, 2019 and twice in 2022. The April-May storms dropped 351 mm and 267 mm, killing more than 500 people in mudslides.

WSP/Total's failure to address aspects of the climate catastrophe and environmental economics discussed above, as well as its failure to confront the various ways Total fails a "fit and proper" partner test, together suggest willful blindness. Due to the failure of the proposal to properly consider the full cost accounting required for such a vital natural resource (one that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> Duval interview, 8 July 2022, and *Les Amis de la Terre France, The National Association of Professional Environmentalists and Africa Institute for Energy Governance v Total SA*, Versailles Court of Appeal, RG 20/01692, Paris, 10 December (2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> David Eckstein, Vera Künzel and Laura Schäfer, "Global Climate Risk Index 2021," Germanwatch, Bonn (2021), https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/Global%20Climate%20Risk%20Index%202021\_1\_0.pdf/

should also entail rudimentary natural capital accounting), due to the adverse impact on the rest of the economy as climate sanctions are imposed, due to the new precedents in which precisely such calculations led to cancellation of gas and oil offshore exploration in the United States and South Africa's Indian Ocean, and finally due to Total's status as unfit and improper, the WSP/Total team working on Total's exploratory blasting and drilling proposal must take responsibility for redoing the work by addressing these numerous shortcomings.

Sincerely,

Patrick Bond

#### **APPENDIX 1**

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA (EASTERN CAPE DIVISION, MAKHANDA) CASE NO: 3491/2021

#### Reportable

In the matter between:	
SUSTAINING THE WILD COAST NPC	1 <sup>st</sup> Applicant
MASHONA WETU DLAMINI	2 <sup>nd</sup> Applicant
DWESA-CWEBE COMMUNAL PROPERTY	3 <sup>rd</sup> Applicant
ASSOCIATION	
NTSINDISO NONGCAVU	4 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
SAZISE MAXWELL PEKAYO	5 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
CAMERON THORPE	6 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
ALL RISE ATTORNEYS FOR CLIMATE AND	7 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
THE ENVIRONMENT NPC	
NATURAL JUSTICE	8 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
GREENPEACE ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION	9 <sup>th</sup> Applicant
and	
MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY	1 <sup>st</sup> Respondent
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND	2 <sup>nd</sup> Respondent
FISHERIES	
SHELL EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION	3 <sup>rd</sup> Respondent
SOUTH AFRICA B V	
IMPACT AFRICA LIMITED	4 <sup>th</sup> Respondent
BG INTERNATIONAL LIMITED	5 <sup>th</sup> Respondent
JUDGMENT	
MBENENGE JP:	

#### Introduction

[1] Stripped of verbiage, the principal question dealt with in these proceedings is whether the grant of an exploration right for the exploration of oil and gas, which has culminated in the need to conduct a seismic survey along the Southeast coast of South Africa, is lawful.

[120] The intervening parties' contention that the decision-maker gave no proper consideration to the climate change impacts of the decision to grant the exploration right is an important factor to be considered in the process of granting an exploration right.

[121] Reliance for this contention, by the intervening parties, is placed on expert testimony showing that most of the discovered reserves of oil and gas cannot be burnt if we are to stay on the pathway to keep global average temperature increases below 1.5 degrees Celsius. Authorising new oil and gas exploration, with its goal of finding exploitable oil and/or gas reserves and consequently leading to production, is not consistent with South Africa complying with its international climate change commitments.

[122] According to the respondents, climate change considerations and the right to access food and livelihood are irrelevant when considering an application for an exploration right; these considerations are premature because they fall to be considered at a much later stage.



[123] On the authority of *Director: Mineral Development, Gauteng Region and Another v Save the Vaal Environment and Others*<sup>62</sup> the processes are discrete stages in a single process that culminates in the production and combustion of oil and gas, and the emission of greenhouse gases that will exacerbate the climate crisis and impact communities' livelihoods and access to food.

[124] The respondents' thesis does not find support from *Earthlife Africa Johannesburg v Minister of Environmental Affairs and Others*,<sup>63</sup> either, where Murphy J said:

'The absence of express provision in the statute requiring a climate change impact assessment does not entail that there is no legal duty to consider climate change as a relevant consideration and does not answer the interpretative question of whether such a duty exists in administrative law. Allowing for the respondents' argument that no empowering vision in NEMA or the regulations explicitly prescribes a mandatory procedure or condition to conduct a formal climate change assessment, the climate change impacts are undoubtedly a relevant consideration as contemplated by section 240 of NEMA for the reasons already discussed. A formal expert report on climate change impacts will be the best evidentiary means of establishing that this relevant factor in its multifaceted dimensions was indeed considered, while the absence of one will be symptomatic of the fact that it was not.<sup>64</sup>

[125] It seems clear from the aforegoing, even taking into account the contentions raised by the respondents, that, had the decision-maker had the benefit of considering a comprehensive assessment of the need and desirability of exploring for new oil and gas reserves for climate change and the right to food perspective, the decision-maker may very well have concluded that the proposed exploration is neither needed nor desirable.

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<sup>62 (133/98) [1999]</sup> ZASCA 9 (12 March 1999).

<sup>63 (2017)</sup> JOL 37526 (GNP); [2017] ZAGPPHC (GP); [2017] 2 All SA 519 (GP).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Para 88.

From: Move For What Matters <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 02:37To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection to TotalEnergies drilling along East Coast

Good day,

I object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be outrageous and deviststing that it would even be considered. Please make the rights choice, not the profitable choice. Some things in this life are more valuable than money. Every action has a reaction, think of the consequences of these actions and the wildlife being affected.

Warmest Regards, Belinda Book (Concerned Citizen)

Move For What Matters

From:	Cordell Brewer <>
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 22:27
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Interested party & Objection to offshore oil and gas exploration in garden route

#### To whom it may concern

I would like to register myself as an interested party and also state my objection to the planned exploration and potential oil and gas drilling near Plettenberg Bay and along the Garden Route. Our town and the greater Bitou area survives economically largely based on the tourism industry and businesses that cater to visitors from around South Africa and internationally.

The attraction of the area to tourists and visitors is due to the thriving natural ecosystem and beauty of the area. The survey recently conducted by Plett Tourism demonstrated that the Bay in a haven to many cherished sea animals large and small. Any activity which risks upsetting the balance of the ecosystem will have a lasting effect on the main asset of the area - which is the experience of rest and renewal that visitors have connecting with nature in the area. This would affect jobs and earnings at grass roots level and lead to unrest in an area that is relatively peaceful and secure.

The full effect of underwater sonar exploration is not understood well enough to mitigate all possible negative effects on the wellbeing and breeding of marine life including whales, dolphins, turtles and others. Any mistake or oil spill at any stage would be an unforgivable disaster.

This is a sensitive coastline with endangered species taking refuge to breed and survive. It also seems to be an important passageway for the movement of marine life.

To attempt to profit from oil mining here seems inappropriate for the area and unnecessarily risky given the nature of the area and the proposed project.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Best regards Cordell Brewer From: Vanessa Brewer <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 22:34To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Register as an Interested party and Objection

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To whom it may concern

I would like to register myself as an interested party and also state my objection to the planned exploration and potential oil and gas drilling near Mossel Bay, Plettenberg Bay and along the Garden Route. Our town and the greater Bitou area survives economically largely based on the tourism industry and businesses that cater to visitors from around South Africa and internationally.

The attraction of the area to tourists and visitors is due to the thriving natural ecosystem and beauty of the area. The survey recently conducted by Plett Tourism demonstrated that the Bay in a haven to many cherished sea animals large and small. Any activity which risks upsetting the balance of the ecosystem will have a lasting effect on the main asset of the area - which is the experience of rest and renewal that visitors have connecting with nature in the area. This would affect jobs and earnings at grass roots level and lead to unrest in an area that is relatively peaceful and secure.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter Vanessa Brewer

From:Petra Brits <>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 09:20To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Project

I object with all my heart.

Regards

Petra

From: Mohamed Bulbulia <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 14:23To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Negative effects on the environment impact me.

I am an interested and affected party. I am a RSA citizen and all tha tnegatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently also affects me. Mohamed Enver Bulbulia Tel

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Subject: Comments from 17 January 2023 PUBLIC MEETINGS: Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V.
Ref. No. 12/4/013

#### Good Afternoon,

(Comments from 17 January 2023 PUBLIC MEETINGS: Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Ref. No. 12/4/013

Please find attached my "Comment and Reply" form after I attended the 10:00 am meeting on the 17 Jan 2023 here in Mossel Bay!

Ben Burke Cell

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Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Registration, Comment and Reply Form Draft Scoping Report: Thursday 01 December 2022 to Friday 03 February 2023

Note: This is an opportunity to register as an I&AP for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process. By registering as an I&AP on the proposed project, you agree to receive information about the proposed project during the regulatory S&EIA process. You also agree to receive information about the S&EIA, public participation process and opportunities to contribute comments.

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	N	/A		Home				
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Please register me as an interested and affected party (I&AP) for this project so that I may receive further information and notifications as the project develops						√YES		
Please include my details on WSP's database to contact me about future projects in my area							NO	
Date					:	23/01/2023		
In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), I disclose below any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest that I may have in the approval or refusal of the application:		Si	gnatu	re		(		

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Stakeholder database reference number				
	Signature of data capturer			

By registering as a stakeholder permission is hereby given in terms of the Protection of Personal Information Act for your contact details to be held securely to keep you informed about this project. WSP Group Africa as a good corporate citizen complies to the POPIA and confirms that your details will be kept confidential and will not be shared with any third party without your prior consent, other than the lead authority should they request stakeholder details.

# COMMENT(S)

#### You are welcome to use additional pages should you so wish.

# I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as interested and affected parties.

#### Comments from 17 January 2023 PUBLIC MEETINGS: Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Ref. No. 12/4/013

Firstly I would like to thank the presenters (Edwin Groenewald, Helen Crosby and Toni) for giving concise and to the point presentations about the process for the "*Proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B*".

I fully understand this was a presentation about what TEEPSA will be responsible for ie. to supply gas and associated condensates produced by the 'new' subsea wells to the existing F-A platform. Thus, making PetroSA GTL refinery, TEEPSA 'sole' client.

PetroSA GTL refinery was commissioned in 1992 and designed for a life cycle of approximately 20 years, which bring us to 2012. Now in 2023 the development of new "Feedstock of gas and condensate", bring concerns about the stability and viability of PetroSA infrastructure as well as the pipe line linking PetroSA to the FA platform.

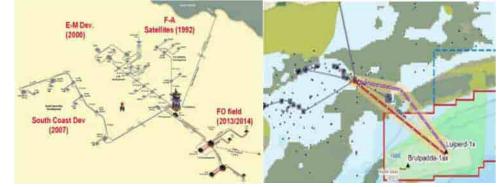
A further concern is in para 6.8 pg 35, referring to the "Operational Aspects of the activity" where PetroSA will be responsible for the operation of the field once commissioned, thus the impact assessment focuses on activities required to bring the field into production whereafter ongoing reduction will take place through the existing infrastructure and staff complement at the F-A Platform. For the next 20 years!.

And reading .... Articles in the Engineering Week and News24

https://www.engineeringnews.co.za/article/petrosa-seeks-partner-to-resume-full-production-at-mossel-bay-gtl-refinery-2023-01-18 https://www.news24.com/fin24/economy/wanted-partner-for-quick-restart-of-petrosa-refinery-preferably-from-an-oil-rich-nation-2023118

#### **Decommissioning of Existing Wells:-**

In this report it is also stated that :- (ref to Figure 3-2 with 5-1 - F-A Platform existing subsea layout.)



Referring to paragraph 5.1.1 on page 16 of the report, "The proposed development assumes <u>no further production</u> from the existing PetroSA fields, enabling the Paddavissie development to **exclusively** use the Offshore installation for the treatment and export of gas and condensate.

In para 4.3 on page 14 of the report there is reference that the current gas reserve in the field is estimated to be depleted in 2029. However it is suggested, see para 5.1.1 page 16, that with this contact with TEEPSA, these existing wells will be required to be decommissions by PetroSA.

**Question :-** Will PertoSA rehabilitate the sea beds, by removing or rendering the wells 'safe' similarly as per in para 5.4.1.3 Decommissioning Activities.

**Question :-** Does PetroSA have sufficient reserved fund for this process of "Decommissioning" to be undertaken.

**Question :-** Who will monitor the decommissioned wells for the next 20 years as required and stated in this report. References :-(Act No. 28 of 2002) "making of financial provision as contemplated in the Act for the costs associated with the undertaking of management, rehabilitation and remediation of environmental impacts from prospecting, exploration, mining or production operations through the lifespan of such operations and latent or residual environmental impacts that may become known in the future.

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### **THANK YOU!**

Subject:FW: Objection to EIA process; Application for Block 11B/12B by Total Energies South AfricaAttachments:PT TESA Letter.Feb.2022.docx

From: Patty Butterworth <>
Sent: 02 February 2023 17:12
To: TEEPSA EIA <<u>teepsaEIA@wsp.com</u>>
Subject: Objection to EIA process; Application for Block 11B/12B by Total Energies South Africa

Attached please find a formal letter of objection on behalf of the Plett Tourism Association to the approval for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TESA.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or require additional information.

Kind regards

Patty Butterworth

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TOTAL ENERGIES SOUTH AFRICA (TESA) DELIVERED VIA EMAIL (teepsaEIA@wsp.com)

#### 02 February 2023

Re: Objection to the approval for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by Total Energies EP South Africa

I address you on behalf of the Plett Tourism Association and submit the following objection to the approval for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TESA for the following reasons:

- 1. The lack of adequate scoping and community engagement within the Bitou area.
  - A. Firstly, Bitou has many community members who rely on fishing as their main source of income and as their main source of food. These fishermen were not previously engaged with, nor were they made aware of the meeting this study directly affects their livelihood, and they need to be engaged with and made aware of the potential impact on their livelihood.
  - B. Secondly, the tourism industry is the main economic driver in Bitou, it fuels the building industry and it fuels the service industry. The local tourism authority was not engaged with prior to this meeting. Our branding and marketing campaign speak to sport and nature with a major focus being on our coastline and oceans and as a result the ecology of the area is uppermost in the mind of our tourists and exploration and exploitation of our natural resources such as that proposed is likely to create a negative perception in the minds of potential tourists thus adversely affecting tourism arrivals.
- 2. The lack of advertising within the Bitou Community about the meeting. At the meeting held in the Piesang Valley Hall on 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 it was stated by the Total representative that the general Bitou Public were made aware of the proposed meeting through various communication channels including:
  - Local newspapers
  - Local radio
  - Local municipality

The question was raised as to 'what channels' were used as the public were unaware of the meeting – this question asked by me. I also asked that the meeting be postponed allowing for ample representation of the community. This was seconded by another community member present. TESA representatives replied, 'We will get back to you on that'. There has been no follow-up regarding this request. Upon further investigation, the announcement of this meeting was not shared by a local newspaper (there are two, the Seaexpress and What's New Plett) and it was not shared by a local radio station (there are two, 93.4FM and Radio204).

- 3. The local Bitou Municipality only informed the public with a Facebook post on 19 January 2023. Many local residents are not on Facebook, and this cannot be considered an adequate means of communication.
- 4. TESA has not included the need for research focused on the impact on the tourism industry along the Bitou coastline and how the proposed TESA activity may affect our tourism industry. The town of Plettenberg Bay and the area known as 'Bitou' relies on its tourism industry as the main economic contributor. Plett's most unique selling points include its beaches, rivers and lagoons which is then followed by marine life and coastal activities.
- 5. The bay is rich in biodiversity and ecosystems, arguably one of the most prolific in diversity for its size; and even a moderate disruption would be detrimental to such a sensitive natural environment as we have recently witnessed with changing migratory patterns of larger predators, game fish and sightings of new species frequenting our shores.
- 6. Current evidence suggests potential health impacts due to exposure to oil extraction, such as cancer, liver damage, immunodeficiency, and neurological symptoms. Adverse impacts to soil, air, and water quality in oil drilling regions were also identified according to a study conducted in 2019 by the National Liberty of Medicine also known as the NIH National Centre for Biotechnology Information. There are no plans for short-term, mid-term, and long-term hospital and medical expense reimbursements needed for any adverse health reactions experienced by residents, visitors and/or to the migratory wildlife in Plett.
- 7. There appears to be no research directed at or measuring the following:
  - A. the health impact on wildlife,
  - B. the loss of tourism income and
  - C. the impact this may have on our health as a community.
  - D. There are no compensation plans in place should the town lose prospective tourism income of close to R2.1 billion due to accidents incurred or faults incurred.

This is an issue of national importance, and we believe that neither our municipality nor ourselves have the competency or adequate representation to fully comment on the process as a result of which comprehensive meetings attended by independent environmental specialists paid for by Total are required to achieve the level of comfort required by our local community is required.

We thank you in anticipation of your support and assistance herein.

Yours sincerely

Patty Butterworth Chief Executive Officer | | |

From: Naseerah Bux <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 13:47To:TEEPSA EIASubject:CONCERN OVER TOTALENERGIES

I am an interested and affected party.

I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

I did not support Shell Co and I will not support TotalEnergies.

Naseerah Bux

From: Bianca Olivia Jeanne <>Sent: Thursday, 02 February 2023 17:33To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection

To whom it may concern

I hereby object to the oil and natural gas exploration off the coast of South Africa.

Kind regards, Bianca Cassell

From:	Deone Claasens <>
Sent:	Thursday, 09 February 2023 13:04
То:	ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Cc:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Re: register as an Interested and Affected Party_ Our objections to Total Energies Plans
Attachments:	image001.jpg

#### Good day

You can keep my comment. Please edit an autocorrect mistake 'alpine' which should be replaced with 'alone'.

Please see below the corrected version.

#### I am an interested and affected party.

I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I am a chemical engineer collaborating with national and international persons and companies to be able to provide energy by utilizing waste sources... etc a resource literally going to waste and causing environmental damage. We can prevent the further pollution of microplastics, toxic gases, and liquids seeping into the soil, water, and air. We are talking of billions worth of untapped resources a year. Leave the natural world alone, stop looking to tap into finite resources, and lets first make use of what is so readily available. It is the thing to do that shows wisdom, character and integrity.

Regards

Deone Claasens

On Thu, 9 Feb 2023, 12:33 ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia, <<u>gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com</u>> wrote:

Dear Stakeholder

Thank you for your submission to the Scoping process of the TEEPSA Block 11B/12B ESIA . Section 42(a) of the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended, under which the ESIA is being conducted, stipulates that all persons that have provided comment are included in the register as an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP).

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From: Sent:	Rose Clark <> Wednesday, 01 February 2023 09:22
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Cc:	;;;;
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Subject:	Objection to Proposed Offshore Oil Drilling and Pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin

#### Subject: Objection to Proposed Offshore Oil Drilling and Pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed offshore oil drilling and building of new gas pipelines in Mossel Bay, in the Outeniqua Basin. The location of this project raises several environmental concerns that cannot be ignored.

First, the area lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current, which is a major highway for whale and sardine migration. Drilling and pipeline construction in this area will disrupt the migration patterns of these marine species and potentially cause harm to their populations.

Second, the proposed location borders on a Marine Protected Area, which is established to conserve the area's unique marine biodiversity and ecological processes. The introduction of oil drilling and pipelines will not only destroy the protected ecosystem, but also harm the livelihoods of local communities who depend on the area's resources.

Furthermore, the risks associated with offshore oil drilling are well-documented and undeniable. Gas and oil extraction is a high risk to the environment, tourism, and other economic endeavors along the coastline. The speed of ocean currents and thermal layers in the area make it extremely difficult to control any spills, as oil from the depths will be distributed across multiple depth zones and a very large area. The International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) calls for a moratorium on oil and gas exploration.

Finally, the extraction of oil and gas contributes to greenhouse gases and the release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. This will only exacerbate the effects of climate change, which is already having devastating impacts on our planet and its inhabitants.

In light of these serious concerns, I strongly urge you to reconsider the proposed offshore oil drilling and pipeline construction in Mossel Bay. I believe that we must prioritize the protection of our environment and the well-being of future generations over short-term financial gains.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kind regards

**Rose Clark** 

If you are receiving this email outside of working hours, I hope you feel no pressure to read or respond until your schedule and workload permit.

From:lisa cloete <>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 15:52To:TEEPSA EIASubject:ObjectionFollow Up Flag:Follow upFlag Status:Completed

Dear WSP,

I would like to submit my objections that I gave at the hearing in East London last Thursday incase they were not taken down properly.

I object to the building and mining of a gas piplineline in the Outeniqua Basin, Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies on these grounds:

- It is clear any research taken or done on the existing Mosgas Pipelines have not been taken into account for this pipeline, if even done at all. This shows a lack of due diligence on the most obvious environmental and social potential impacts. It can also take decades to aquire adequate data, particularly on Ocean heating/ acidification and the release of carbon through disturbance on the seabed, all which dont just impact environments but global warming. We cannot take any risks on this and therefor do not want these mines in our ocean.

- We do not feel that of the 14 million people on our coastlines that there has been adequate public engagement around this very important and potentially distruptive mining. Particulalry by indigenous groups.

- We understand that TotalEnergies has an intention to be net zero by 2050. We object to last minute mining and suggest an investment in real green energy solutions that are sustainable and non-invasive.

Thank you.

Lisa Cloete

(I have registered my details at the meeting).

From: Nicole collier-naidoo <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 16:17To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Questions about TEEPSA Block11B/12B ESIA

Dear WSP consultants

I am a member of Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards and work part time at Mandela University in Engagement.

I object to the application for exploration and production in blocks 11B and 12B made by Total.

Please could you answer the following questions:

- 1. How much money is expected to be paid by Total for this application?
- 2. To whom is this money paid?
- 3. How much money is Total expected to make should they find what they are looking for and go into production?
- 4. What is the carbon footprint or environmental cost of this entire effort over time?
- 5. How will Total offset this footprint/cost?
- 6. Is money really more important to you than life on this planet?

With dread, Nicole 
 From: Sandi Cooper <>

 Sent: Thursday, 02 February 2023 11:29

 To:
 TEEPSA EIA

 Subject:
 Total-11B and 12B

 Attachments:
 Total-112B12B - 1.pdf; Total-11B12B - 2.pdf

Please see attached registration documents as interested and affected party of the Total application for Block 11B and 12B.

Regards S L Cooper 1150

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# COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages.

I have the following comments regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

1. Notification of meeting in Plettenberg Bay was utterly inadequate.

2. The area is in the Aghulas current path of migration for sardines, whales and others

3. CO2 stored in the ocean bed that could be released, environmental issue

4. High environmental risk to fishing and the environment, as well as tourism.

5. Risk of corruption ever present

6. The proposed site borders a marine reserve

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From:	Bernadette Crewe-Brown <>
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 14:59
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Comment on Oil and Gas exporation and excration 3 Feb 2023
Attachments:	WPS EISA form completed with objections wsp 3 feb 23.rtf

Greetings,

Please find my comment on the proposal to explore our South African ocean for Oil and Gas extraction

Warm regards,

Bernadette (Berni) Crewe-Brown

Laudato Si' Content Producer and Presenter Radio Veritas South Africa Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission Facilitator LSAP plan Global Working Group participant Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town Climate Justice Coalition Steering Committee member



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# COMMENT(S)

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I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

Our South African Ocean Biodiversity is slowly or perhaps not so slowly depleting. The Abyssal Plains are the deepest ecosystem type in South Africa's oceans. South Africa's EEZ does not have deep water trenches, such as the famous Mariana trench that reaches a maximum depth of 13 000 m! Our abyssal ecosystems, spanning a depth range of 3500 to 6000 m, are largely unexplored. In the 1980's, one of South Africa's geologists, Professor John Roger, took the first photographs of abyssal and seamount ecosystems using a camera in a special underwater housing.

Abyssal ecosystems in South Africa are currently under limited pressure but this Total/Engen initiative to explore these areas for oil and gas resources and deep sea minerals such as manganese. Should such minerals be found in sufficient quantities, pressure on these ecosystems will increase substantially.

Proposed MPAs that represent abyssal ecosystems include Southeast Atlantic Seamounts MPA (Cape Basin Abyss) and Agulhas Front MPA (Agulhas Basin Abyss). Southwest Indian Ocean abyssal ecosystems (Natal Basin) will be considered in future protected area planning.

The loss of any species affects the Ecosystems and their services. It is apparent that the increasing red tide is due to species loss. The barren rocks and reefs, the lesser fish species is not only due to overfishing, it is due to the contaminants in the sea. These have and are continuing to occur through mining, pollution, chemical spills, and physical destruction of sea beds through exploration in search of minerals. This extensive initiative involves many levels of activity that will not be restored. The scientific proof is there, it is evident to all. The proof is there but our South African waters need to be analysed and present situations monitored and evaluated through regular and comprehensive research. This in not occurring.

It is our duty and our responsibility as human beings to protect our natural environment for the survival of the planet and humanity now and for generations to come.

Simplifying our lifestyles to lower our consumption and production is a Sustainable alternative to the use of Oil and Gas for energy.

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### THANK YOU!

From:Sent:Saturday, 04 February 2023 10:48To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Total drill and gas pipelines

To whom this may concern,

I object to the drills and pipelines from Total being placed off Mossel bay. To go through with this is a reckless and harmful attack on our oceans and the animals within it.

Shell tried to harm our oceans for profit and now Total is now trying to do the same. To allow this to happen would demonstrate blatant ignorance toward the environment (our only home) and the power of corporate greed.

I trust you will do the right thing and not allow this complete destruction to take place in our oceans.

Sent with deep concern, Chelsey Curry.

From:	Sue Davidoff <>
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 19:24
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Comment on Draft Scoping Report Block 11b_12b TOTAL ENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA

#### Dear WSP Consultants

As a resident of the Mossel Bay greater area, I totally object to the proposed production of oil and gas in block 11/12B – I am aware of the risk to the well being and integrity of the ocean and all the creatures who live in the ocean, and the interference of all those fishers dependent on local fishing for their income. Profit above ecology destroys our living oceans and is a violation of life.

Yours sincerely Sue Davidoff From: Andrew Day <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 12:50To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Oobjection to Total Energies Plans

To whom it may concern,

I am an interested and affected party.

I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

I do not want profits to determine what happens to our earth.

We need to maintain our environment.

Andrew Day

From:	Tracy de Jager <>
Sent:	Saturday, 28 January 2023 10:08
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Object to TotalEnergies

## To whom it may concern

I object to TotalEnergies obtaining the right to drill for gas along the coastline of Southern Africa. In the year 2023, when our planet is at such risk of POLLUTION and overheating, why would this even be considered?

I live in a community along this stretch of coastline and this will have an immediate effect on many household incomes. Many of these communities are in the fishing industry and the impact this will have on them would be devastating not only to them but to the whole community as a whole.

We have not yet even begun to recover from the effects of the COVID lockdown and economic loss, and our local fishing industry (which is a major provider of employment for this region) is being severely impacted by the effects of global warming - yet this is being touted as a good idea? No.

Tracy de Jager

#whostoleouroceans #thegreenconnection #oceansnotoil #hellochintsa #environmentaljustice

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	M de Haas <> Friday, 03 February 2023 15:34 ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia RE: REMINDER: PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT   BLOCK 11B/12B BY TOTALENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA B.V. REF. NO. 12/4/013
Importance:	High

Good Day,

Thank you for your email reminding me about the need for my to submit comment by today, 3 February. I regret my delayed response, due to my having had to attend to various urgent issues in the past weeks.

Please record my total opposition to proceeding with exploration as per Draft Scoping Report for the TEEPSA Block 11B/128 ESIA, and confirm that my opposition to proceeding further has been recorded. Kind regards, Mary de Haas

From: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com>
Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 11:44
To: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com>
Subject: REMINDER: PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT | BLOCK 11B/12B BY TOTALENERGIES EP
SOUTH AFRICA B.V. REF. NO. 12/4/013

Dear Stakeholder

This is a reminder that the public comment period on the Draft Scoping Report for the TEEPSA Block 11B/12B ESIA closes **today**, 03 February 2023.

Please register as an I&AP and submit your comments if you have not done so already.

Kind Regards,

#### **WSP Public Participation Office**

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From: marc de melville : a people <>Sent: Wednesday, 01 February 2023 09:30To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Proposed off shore drilling

To whom it may concern.

My objection to this heinous crime against our planet and the oceans fragile eco system is short and simple. This is NOT to happen. Our oceans are dying due to human greed and total disregard for our environment. Without our oceans as with out our forests, those who perpetuate such activities are not only killing our planet (a sentient being, life force) but also leading all inhabitants of this life giving planet, to our death. Without our oceans....we will certainly perish!!!! My vote is NO !!!

Thank you m.melville From: Craig Derbyshire <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 13:01To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objections to Total Energies Plans

#### To whom it may concern

I am an interested and affected party of the Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis project.

I am an RSA Citizen, live along this coastline and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

We must please not become desperate and pursue this avenue but rather seek out alternate avenues to ensure protection of our environment of this most beautiful country of ours.

Kind Regards Craig Derbyshire 
 From: Nasreen Dindar <>

 Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 14:56

 To:
 TEEPSA EIA

 Subject:
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# COMMENT(S)

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I have the following comments regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

I strongly object to any assessments and any Oil or gas exploration in and around the coastline of South Africa, Mossel bay and anywhere else around the globe.....

The environmental damage done by Petrol companies during mining and exploration has been immense and unacceptable as well. The damage from oil spills have been devastating to entire eco systems one that recently comes to mind is the oil spill in Mauritius.

There are cleaner, greener and less harmful solutions to energy needs and they are plentiful. South Africa should be investing in Solar Power, Wind power and Hydro Power to safeguard our communities and our environment and not be going backwards into the dark ages where there is a complete disregard for all else except profits and corruption.

Everyone is aware of this and we shouldn't even have to be objecting to this.....

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# THANK YOU!

From: Cherie Roe Dirksen <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 13:45To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Totals impact on SA ocean and ocean life

To whomever it may concern,

I am an interested and affected party.

# *I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.*

Yours sincerely,

Cherie Dirksen

Cell.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Helen Dodge <>Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 05:46To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Register as an interested and affected party

Follow Up Flag:Follow upFlag Status:Completed

Good day

I would like to register as an interested and affected party in the proposed offshore mining proposed by Total et al. Please contact me via email or WhatsApp .

Offshore mining, whether for gas or other 'resources', poses direct and long-term threats to the well-being of our coastal environment, the multitude of living beings in the ocean and the many human economies that depend on a healthy ocean. As members of an advancing technological age, it behoves us to find less destructive ways to provide for our material needs... we can do better.

I object to the proposed project on every level and would encourage the applicants to apply their expertise to developing sustainable technologies, rather than destroying the environment for short-term gain.

Sincerely Helen Dodge The Green Net

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Friday, 03 February 2023 23:30
Sent:	TEEPSA EIA
To:	Total's application to mine a block of seabed offshore between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis
Subject:	for gas.
Importance:	High

To whom it may concern regarding the above subject:

I do not believe that Total Energies Exploration and Production SA can guarantee that they will not harm the sensitive ecosystems on the seabed, or the marine life in the area, threatened by the toxicity of the gasses both from the drilling and from probable leaks in the pipeline. Unless they can provide these guarantees, they should not be permitted to explore. Apart from which Total should be putting all its efforts into developing sustainable and renewable forms of energy because the extracting and the consumption of the gasses mined, will further pollute the sea and the atmosphere which is already overburdened. Our planet needs protecting and the oil companies like Total are turning a blind eye to this.

I am also very suspicious of WSP's neutrality in the matter.

TT Douglas-Jones (Mr)

From:Andre du Plesis <>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 17:05To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection to developing for gas in eider Mosselbsy sea badin

Dear WSP

Please register me as an intrrested party that objects to the exploration of gas by TOTAL in the greater Mosselbay sea basin ad a marine sensitive area, conflict of interest, with fill future public participation

Rgds R Andre du Plessis CTown

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# Subject:FW: TEEPSA ESIA: 1&J Ringfence ShapefileAttachments:RingfenceGreen\_042022.kml

From: Kirsty Du Plessis <>
Sent: 18 January 2023 13:31
To: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <<u>gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com</u>>
Cc: Robert Landman <>
Subject: FW: ringfence shape file

#### Good day,

Please find attached the demersal trawl "ringfence" fishing grounds shape file that we have on record.

Thanks,

Kirsten du Plessis

Assistant Business Insights Manager

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From:	Andre Du Plooy < >
Sent:	Wednesday, 01 February 2023 15:46
То:	ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Drilling and blasting for oil in our ocean.

This must surely be seen as a no go as the shell company was prohibited from drilling in our ocean.Now another onslaught and this must be stopped at all cost.The cost of destroying our coastline will be stopped.Go to hell with all this rubbish as we are going to fight you all the way.This is purely enrichment of the fraudsters running our country.

From:G DP < > >Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 13:38To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection to Total Energies' Ocean plans

# Good day

I am an interested and affected party.

# *I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.*

# Gerhard du Plooy

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Kind Regards / Vriendelike Groete

Gerhard du Plooy

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SUBJECT: SUBMISSION to the PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY TOTAL ENERGIES PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS//INTLANGANISO ZIKA-TOTAL ENERGIES EZITHETHA NOLUNTU.

Preface//intshayelelo.

a) As Mossel Bay Communities we shall not be spectators in the exploration of our oceans economy. //Njengabemi base-Mossel Bay zisakuthatha inxaxheba kuqoqosho lwamanxwerne singabi ngababukeli.

b) The oceans in our shores presents an opportunity to government and investors to empower communities and transform our economy // Ulwandle kumanxwenie wethu lithuba lokuba urhulumente nabatyali zimali bakuxhobise uluntu kwaya kubekho ingugu ngokogogosho.

c) We shall be active participants and significant beneficiaries in the wealth creation and distribution. // Sizakuthatha inxaxheba kwaye sixhamle ngendlela ephucukileyo.

d) Whatever has been discovered in our shores must be produced here, packaged and retailed to end-user customers. //Yonke inveliso kumanxwerne ethu mayisetyenzwe apha, ide ilungelo intengiso kubathengi.

 We support exploration of oil and gas discovery in our shores. // Siyalixhasa iphulo lokuphehlwa kwegesi neoyile kwinxweme lethu.

The exploration must be done with due regard to sea life and in an environmental sensitive way. //Indleta zokwenza lomsebenzi wokuphehla mazikhusele ubomi bezinto zonke eziphila elwandle.

3. Total Energies should invest in communities in terms of:// U-Total Energies makaphuhlise ubomi bentlalo ngalendiela:

3.1 Job creation//Ukudalwa kwemisebenzi. 3.2 Infrastructure Development//Ukwakhiwa kweziseko zophuhliso. 3.3 Education and training//Imfundo noqeqesho lwezakhono. 3.4 Health and Social Welfare//Ezempilo nentlalo-ntle. 3.5 Significant business Opportunities//Amathuba oshishino angawo.

4. As Black Entrepreneurs, we want to benefit throughout the value chain of procurement// Njengo-Somashishini abamnyama, kufuneka sixhamle kumathuba

5. A Mossel Bay Community Development Trust be set up as part of Social and Labour Plan to oversee Total Energies investment to the Greater Mossel Bay. //Makumiselwe iziko lophuhliso loluntu kwaye lomizamo ibandakanywe kwisicwangciso sentlalo

6. Total Energies must invest in the creation of South African Factory for Oceans Economy// U-Total makaxhase ukusekwa komzi-mveliso ojongene noqoqosho

7. The South African Factory for Oceans Economy to be based in Mossel Bay to do amongst others the ff// Lomzi-mveliso woqoqosho lwaselwandle uzakwenza ezizinto.

7.1 Ship manufacturing, repairs and maintenance// Ukwakhiwa nokulungiswa kwezikhephe.

7.2 Manufacturing and supply of marine equipment and supplies// Ukuveliswa kunye kwezixhobo zaselwandle nezinye neemveliso.

7.3 Provision of training and learners and certification of youth and other vulnerable groups//Ukubonelela ngoqeqesho nemfundiso neziqinisekiso kulutsha namanye amagela asemngciphekweni.

7.4 The production, processing and downstream activities be undertaken in Mossel Bay to create jobs and grow the economy// Ukuphehla, inveliso nentengiso mazenzeke eMossel Bay ukuze kudalwe imisebenzi kukhuliswe uqoqosho.

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Alisile Dyabaza President

From: Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda Isúka: Kwi-Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda. Dated: 16 January 2023.

Email: Mobile: Subject:

FW: OPPOSING TotalEnergies plan!!!

From: Tonia Edgar < Sent: Friday, 03 February 2023 19:17 To: TEEPSA EIA <teepsaEIA@wsp.com> Subject: OPPOSING TotalEnergies plan!!!

This is ANOTHER atrocity directed at the South African people. We are ALL dealing with SO much already, and now this corrupt, greedy government, is now supporting TotalEnergies through PetroSA, to drill off our beautiful coastline, in no less than than 10 places!!!! along a 120km stretch of ocean.

This was a similar move made by Shell and we SAcans, stood together, and supported the fragile communities that try to eke out a living from fishing. They deserve to do that in pristine oceans! Not oceans polluted by oil! Look at what has happened in Nigeria, in the delta! The locals were totally excluded (work is NOT and NEVER will be provided for the locals, as is 'promised') and they began stealing from the oil pipes and completely contaminated that once beautiful life-giving area.

The colonists skrewed up years ago, going into countries they had NO business in, and now you short-sighted, money-grabbing, self-serving imbeciles, are doing it some MORE!! Back off and use your money and power to do

GOOD, KIND and UPLIFTING works for humanity. The world NEEDS that. Not what you people are preposing....

Please, make your legacy one that breaks the mold of just taking and leaving a trail of poverty and unhappiness behind. PLEASE 👗

Please register me as an interested and affected party.

I object to this application to be granted for a number of reasons,

incl. the environmental impact of off-shore exploration and the conflict

with the overall strategy to end the use of fossil fuels due to their impact

on climate change and related desasters.

With best regards, *Friedemann Essrich* 3a Maroela Street, Potchefstroom, Rep. of S. Africa C



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In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), I disclose below any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest that I may have in the approval or refusal of the application:		Signature						
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without your prior consent, other than the lead authority should they request stakeholder details.

# COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages should you so wish.

# I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

Climate change is impacting human lives and health in a variety of ways. It threatens the essential ingredients of good health – clean air, safe drinking water, nutritious food supply and safe shelter – and has the potential to undermine decades of progress in global health. The direct damage costs to health are estimated to be between US\$ 2–4 billion per year by 2030. (www.who.int/health-topics/climate-change#tab=tab\_1)

There is clear scientific evidence between greenhouse gases and fossil fuels and that it is vital to keep global warming below 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels. In order to do so, it would be necessary to halve CO2 emissions by 2030 if we are to have a 50% chance of meeting this goal. South Africa, like the rest of the world must prevent any further prospecting for fossil fuels. (cer.org.za/reports)

Greenhouse gas emissions and climate change are global phenomena affecting large parts of Earth. Their mitigation requires a combined strategy by countries across the world. With its power generation to be largely based on coal, South Africa is one of those countries that need to change their operational modes towards, green, renewable energy. And it must not allow any activities by third parties that will have negative impacts, locally or globally, in the short- or long-term.

The negative impacts of the listed activieties associated with this project are documented on page 97ff of the ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) FOR THE PROPOSED OFFSHORE PRODUCTION RIGHT AND ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATIONS FOR BLOCK 11B/12B - REF NO: 12/4/13 PR.

The report lists 15 impacts in normal conditions based on the experiences from similar projects, All impacts are negative (page 102).

In addition, the report lists 13 cumulative impacts, all of which have negative, damaging consequences (page 103ff). As an example, "The proposed pipeline routing passes through a Critical Biodiversity Area (CBA)", which would be in violation of the protective nature of a CBA.

In summary, I hereby object to the applicant's proposal for a license to conduct the planned activieties.

You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as interested and affected parties.

Please return the Registration, Comment and Reply form to:

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# THANK YOU!

From:Deon Felton <</th>Sent:Friday, 27 January 2023 14:31To:TEEPSA EIA

I object to totalenergies being given the rights to drill or extract gas from our coastlines. believing that we have a very diversified coastline and this will impact negatively on it

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Regards Double D

From:	
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 14:35
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Interested/Affected Party / Stop Total energies activities in ocean Mossel Bay to Cape St. Francis

I hereby object to proposed activities on / in above stretch of Ocean as mentioned in Petition and as seen on Carte Blanche last year.

I am an interested / affected person. Damage to any eco-system has invariably an affect on all/other eco-system/s and has a negative cascading effect and affects animals and mankind directly/indirectly as science is proving and will then affect future generations. Natural environments should be left alone and not interfered with and the surrounding communities and all SA Citizens should have the right to have a say in what happens in the environment in which they live in or live close to or visit or which is part of our/their country. Any form of pollution produced or produced as by-product/s or produced by accident has the potential to or will have a negative effect on an environment.

Lisa Ferrarese RSA Citizen

I am an RSA Citizen and all the affects the environment or ocean consequently affects me.

From:	jill < >
Sent:	Saturday, 04 February 2023 14:07
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Objection to mining.

I, object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I have seen the destruction of marine life at Tshani village on the Wild Coast when Shell were blasting. Thank you

Jill Fish

Sent from my Galaxy

From:Kevin Fish < <br/>Wednesday, 01 February 2023 12:22Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 12:22To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Total Energies Objection

To Whom it may Concern,

I as resident of the East Coast of South Africa would like to formally state my objection to Total Energies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coast line of South Africa. As we have seen in numerous accidents around the world, the industry is not as safe as we are told or led to believe. The consequences of even the smallest accidental spillage are catastrophic. Examples include but are not limited to the recent Blue Water Horizon accident which occurred in the Gulf of Mexico and the undeniable affects that it has had on the environment.

Best Regards

Kevin Fish Eastern Cape South Africa

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Subject:FW: TEEPSA rights: ObjectionAttachments:2023-02-02 - Registration as IAP & objection.pdf

From: Louise Flanagan < Sector 2023 23:03 Sent: 02 February 2023 23:03 To: TEEPSA EIA <<u>teepsaEIA@wsp.com</u>>; ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <<u>gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com</u>> Subject: TEEPSA rights: Objection

Good day

Attached is my form for registering as an IAP in connection with the TEEPSA application for production rights for Block 11B/12B, and my objection to this.

Many thanks. regards

Louise Flanagan

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> > Signature of data capturer

# COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages.

I have the following comments regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

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See attached note.

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#### I wish to register as an interested or affected party.

I am a South African citizen and I am filing this objection in my personal capacity.

I strongly object to the application to convert the exploration rights into production rights.

The era of fossil fuel production should be ended and more appropriate energy sources explored instead. The destructive effects of the exploitation and use of fossil fuels are well known. South Africa has made international undertakings to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Developing gas resources will not contribute to this goal.

The risks of extensive, long-term or permanent environmental damage from fossil fuel energy generation are too high. Even limited damage would not be acceptable. Your ESIA draft scoping report acknowledges the challenging conditions: "The strong Agulhas Ocean current, coupled with the high wind and waves, make the harsh metocean conditions a challenge for especially the installation / construction phase of the project... It is considered as the second strongest surface current in the world." Your draft scoping report notes that the proposed pipeline will pass through a critical biodiversity area. These risks to the marine and coastal environment are unacceptable.

The ocean is not your playground, to use to extract resources for your own gain at will. This is a national resource and should be preserved.

The draft scoping report refers to the expected use of the product: "The outcome of the on-going commercial negotiations (including agreements for the sale of the gas) should determine the use of the gas. Some possible use scenarios include Gas to Liquids (GTL) or Gas to Power (GTP)."

I believe that South Africa should not be encouraging the use of gas-to-liquid or gas-to-power. There are strong indications that such huge infrastructure projects are encouraged by certain elements within government because of the potential for corrupt payments and wealth. This is particularly so when government is expected to be a significant customer for the end product or funder of essential infrastructure to enable the project.

The gas-to-liquid aspect of this project appears to be an attempt to provide a use for the financially disastrous state-owned PetroSA, which should be closed down as a waste of money and a drain on the fiscus (the EIA states that the gas and condensates would be sold to PetroSA). The gas-to-power aspect appears to be a blatant attempt to support the Karpowership generation projects, which stink of corruption due to the manipulated bid process, the unjustifiably long proposed 20-year "emergency" contract and the enormous and unaffordable cost.

It is well-known that renewable energy projects are now considerably cheaper than gas.

Put your money, expertise and energies into developing cutting-edge renewal technologies instead. We do not want our oceans put at risk.

From:Lorna Fuller <</td>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 14:15To:TEEPSA EIACc:TEEPSA Block 11B/12B ESIA

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P.O. Box 6001, Halfway House, 168

E-mail: teepsaEIA@WSP.com

# Submission in response to the proposed offshore Production Rights and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergy EP South Africa.

### 1. Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed offshore Production Rights and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergy EP South Africa and I would like to use this opportunity to express our concern about the plans to invest further in new gas exploration and production in the time of climate emergency.

### I oppose the further development of a gas industry in South Africa for the following reasons:

Climate change is already causing widespread disruption in every region in the world with around 1.1 degrees C of warming. Every tenth of a degree of additional warming will escalate threats to people, species and ecosystems. The latest assessment report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) clearly states that the limit of 1.5 degrees C is the scientifically confirmed minimum safe limit for our climate and survival, hence, climate action is needed urgently<sup>[1]</sup>. In June 2021 the International Energy Agency published a study that clearly stated that the exploitation and development of new oil and gas fields must stop in 2021 if the world is to stay within safe limits of global heating and meet the goal of net zero emissions by 2050<sup>[2]</sup>.

### Gas is NOT a more climate friendly fossil fuel.

Looking at the whole value chain of gas, methane can escape through so called "gas leaks" into the atmosphere at many different points in the supply chain. These emissions have routinely been underestimated by industry and governments. Methane has a far greater global warming potential than carbon dioxide. Over the next 20-year period – which is a crucial time period to respond to the climate emergency - the warming potential is 84–86 times greater.

#### Gas is NOT needed as a transition fuel.

Combinations of renewable energies and energy storage are either already cheaper or are expected to be cheaper within a few years. Developing a local gas industry will take time, so by the time the infrastructure is in place, renewables and storage will have become the most cost-effective option, and the gas infrastructure will be a stranded asset.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Gas will NOT solve the energy crisis.

Multiple experts agree that "Energy modelling shows that renewables are the quickest and cheapest way to get much-needed capacity onto the grid."<sup>[4]</sup> South Africa should act according to science-based evidence and invest in renewable energy sources as fast as possible.

### **Biodiversity risk**

The proposed area is bordering on a Marine Protected Area and falls within the Agulhus Current which is a major route for migration of marine mammals and fish. Risks are unnecessarily high for the marine species that our local fishing communities and tourism relies on.

## 2. Conclusion

South Africa has signed the Paris agreement<sup>[5]</sup> which agrees to limit climate change to under 2 degrees C and with **all efforts** to limit it to 1.5 degrees, hence there is no space for using further hydrocarbons beyond the currently discovered reserves. Fossil gas expansion is inconsistent with the Paris Agreement goals, and as a signatory to the Agreement **South Africa should not undertake any further investments in the development of new gas projects.** 

Building a local gas industry will take a lot of time. Electricity generated by our massive sun and wind resources within our own borders is the most secure and sustainable way forward. Instead of producing and using more fossil fuels **South Africa should invest all they have in building a renewable energy industry.** 

I Hope that WSP will take into account the comments and information provided in this submission.

Sincerely,

Lorna Fuller

021 674 5094

### <sup>[1]</sup> IPCC\_AR6\_WGII\_SummaryForPolicymakers.pdf

<sup>2</sup> <u>No new oil, gas or coal development if world is to reach net zero by 2050, says world energy body | Fossil fuels | The Guardian</u>

<sup>3</sup> <u>fossil\_gas\_factsheet\_1.pdf (panda.org)</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Gas power plans for Eskom not the solution to electricity crisis – Centre for Environmental Rights (cer.org.za)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> South Africa signs Paris Agreement on Climate Change in New York | Department of Environmental Affairs (dffe.gov.za)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[1]</sup> <u>IPCC AR6 WGII SummaryForPolicymakers.pdf</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[2]</sup> No new oil, gas or coal development if world is to reach net zero by 2050, says world energy body | Fossil fuels | The Guardian

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[3]</sup> fossil gas factsheet 1.pdf (panda.org)

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[4]</sup> Gas power plans for Eskom not the solution to electricity crisis – Centre for Environmental Rights (cer.org.za)
 <sup>[5]</sup> South Africa signs Paris Agreement on Climate Change in New York | Department of Environmental Affairs (dffe.gov.za)

From:	Cassandra Gamble <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 17:18
То:	ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Re: REMINDER: PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT   BLOCK 11B/12B BY
	TOTALENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA B.V. REF. NO. 12/4/013

My comment as a registered I&AP:

There is much money to be made for a small sector of our society by drilling in our oceans for oil.

But this will be at the enormous expense of the majority of our people. And at huge expense to other species living in the oceans. It will negatively impact tourism, fisheries, and millions of people with a strong connection to the sea. It will negatively impact fishers, researchers, divers, and many other ocean-based activities. It will negatively impact migration routes for ocean species, which can have knock-on effects for ecosystems which are already under serious threat from human activity.

We are at a critical time in human history, the UN and many climate scientists are pointing out that we urgently need to phase out fossil fuels in order to maintain a liveable planet. New oil exploration is quite literally killing us.

Short term profit cannot outweigh long-term sustainability at this time.

The huge amount of money that would be invested in drilling our oceans is much better spent on renewable energy infrastructure to provide clean energy with much less environmental destruction; protecting our increadible natural resources for our essential tourism industries and the other many livelihoods that depend on healthy ocean ecosystems.

The risks of drilling are enormous, and the rewards far too unevenly distributed.

There is ample evidence that energy from sources other than fossil fuels can provide the power we need. There is also ample evidence that we need to stop new fossil fuel exploration immediately. And there is also ample evidence that this project would produce much more harm than good. It should not go ahead.

On Fri, Feb 3, 2023 at 12:25 PM ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <<u>gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com</u>> wrote:

Dear Stakeholder

This is a reminder that the public comment period on the Draft Scoping Report for the TEEPSA Block 11B/12B ESIA closes **today**, 03 February 2023.

Please register as an I&AP and submit your comments if you have not done so already.

Kind Regards,

**WSP Public Participation Office** 

From:veneta gent <</td>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 08:53To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Gas pipeline at Mossel Bay

I object Shell wanting to put a gas pipeline at Mossel Bay. Stop the industrialisation of South African oceans. This is a marine sanctuary. Stop killing our sea life for greedy gain. I strongly object.

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Veneta Gent Western Cape

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe < The second secon
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up
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Good day

This is not acceptable with such a controversial EIA which has been brought to my attention.

Steve Gettliffe (WESSA)

From: Muriel Hau Yoon
Sent: Monday, January 16, 2023 3:13 PM
To: 'pa.deputymayor'; 'Desiree du Preez'; 'Sonia Veltman'
Cc: 'Pauline Grashoff'; 'Juan Barnard'; WESSA Eden; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; Olivia Andrews; Kai Tikquoa Conservancy; 'Uwe Putlitz'
Subject: Total application to produce gas offshore from Mossel Bay: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment

Hallo Paulette,

Thanks for your heads up on the public meetings which form part of the Scoping Report for Total's application to produce gas 120km offshore from Mossel Bay. (And to conduct seismic blasting at a later stage.)

On my way back from Groenkant this morning, I stopped over at the first meeting at KwaNonqaba and was dismayed to discover the following:

- The hall was jam-packed and overflowing with local residents, numbering over 400. They told me WSP, the environmental consultant, had gone around the township yesterday with a loud hailer inviting them to 'register for jobs'. So they all turned up en masse with their ID books this morning.
- There were about 30 questions from the floor all relating to jobs. Not a single environmental concern was raised.

- A local lawyer, Gama Lunguni, welcomed Total's application 'wholeheartedly'. He then condemned the Bloom Association of the Netherlands who planned to stop the project, 'just as they had stopped Shell's seismic exploration'.
- Clearly, Total is sham-loading the Scoping process with signatures of township residents from Mossel Bay to St Francis Bay to claim that they had 'conducted an extensive public participation process'. Why else would they choose mainly township venues such as KwaNonqaba, Thembalethu and Khayalethu for the public meetings?
- The public meeting in George is scheduled for this Wednesday, 18 January, from 5pm to 7pm at the Thembalethu Community Hall.
- Total's application was pushed through over the December holidays. This in itself raises red flags. Deadline for comments is 3 February 2023.

Cheers,

Muriel

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From: pa.deputymayor [ma	ailto:	
Sent: 16 January 2023 04:2	26 AM	
To: Desiree du Preez <	≥; Sonia Veltman <	≥; Muriel Hau Yoon
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Cc: Pauline Grashoff <	≥; Juan Barnard ≤	>

**Subject:** Fwd: REMINDER: INVITATION TO PUBLIC MEETINGS: Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Ref. No. 12/4/013

URGENT INFO FOR YOU

#### Sent from Outlook for Android

From: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <<u>gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com></u>Sent: Friday, January 13, 2023 5:06:40 PMSubject: REMINDER: INVITATION TO PUBLIC MEETINGS: Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Ref.No. 12/4/013

Dear Stakeholder

Best wishes for a prosperous 2023!

The invitation letter to the January 2023 public meetings for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA)Process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa distributed on 15 December 2022 refers.

This email serves as a reminder of the public meetings that will be convened from Monday,16 January 2023 until Thursday 26 January 2023, as follows:

Date	Venue	Time
16 January 2023	Kwanonqaba Community Hall, Mayixhale Street, Kwanonqaba, Mossel Bay	10h00 – 12h00 AND
		17h00 – 19h00
17 January 2023	Mossel Bay Town Hall, 101 Marsh St, Mossel Bay Central, Mossel Bay	17h00 – 19h00
18 January 2023	Thembalethu Community Hall, 66 Olympic Road, George	17h00 – 19h00
19 January 2023	Khayelethu Community Hall, Ngcakani Road, Knysna	17h00 – 19h00
20 January 2023	Piesang Community Hall, 7 Greenpoint Ave, Plettenberg Bay	15h00 - 17h00 AND
		17h00 – 19h00
21 January 2023	Seavista Hall, Geelbek Street, Cape St Francis	14h00 – 16h00
23 January 2023	Pellsrus Hall, 1 Harder Street, Jeffreys Bay	17h00 – 19h00
24 January 2023	Feather Market Hall, 86 Baakens Street, Gqeberha	17h00 – 19h00
25 January 2023	Jauka Community Hall, Runeli Drive, Port Alfred	10h00 – 14h00 AND 14h00 – 16h00
26 January 2023	Scenery Park Community Hall, 30 7th Road, Scenery Park, East London	17h00 – 19h00

PLEASE NOTE: An open house session will be held at the Piesang Community Hall, 7 Greenpoint Ave, Plettenberg Bay on Friday 20 January 2023 from 15:00 to 17:00.

The objectives of the public meetings are:

• To share information about TEEPSA's proposed offshore Block 11B/12B development project

• To provide information about the statutory Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment and public participation process that form part of the proposed Production Right and Environmental Authorisation process

• For I&APs to ask questions, raise issues of concern, contribute suggestions for enhanced benefits or alternatives, and identify potential impacts for consideration as part of the S&EIA

Please contact the WSP Public Participation Office for more information about the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment, to register as an I&AP or to attend the meetings:

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd, PO Box 6001, Halfway House, 1685

**Tel:** +27 (0) 11 254 4800, or

**WhatsApp:** 076 694 3842

**Fax:** +27 (0) 11 315 0317

Email: teepsaEIA@WSP.com / gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com

Download information from the WSP website: <u>https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents</u>

Download information from the data-free website at: <u>https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11B12B/</u>

We would like to remind you that the public review period for the Draft Scoping Report will close on **Friday 03** February 2023.

Please feel free to contact the WSP Public Participation Office should you have any questions or would like more information.

We look forward to your participation and hope to meet you at one of the public meetings.

Kind regards,

**WSP** Public Participation Office

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#### **Paulette Stammer**

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From:Rob Geyer <</th>Sent:Thursday, 02 February 2023 09:20To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Register-Concerned-Affected-Party

Concerned and affected party. Robert William Geyer

Public project 11B & 12B

I Object to the development of oil and gas industry off the coast of South africa 11B & 12B as this is a short sighted endeavour especially considering the long term implications and the state of our environment both locally and globally.

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Subject: Attachments: FW: Affected Party Registration VanessaGibson.pdf

From: Vanessa Gibson < Sent: 25 January 2023 13:00 To: TEEPSA EIA <<u>teepsaEIA@wsp.com</u>> Subject: Affected Party Registration

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without your prior consent, other than the lead authority should they request stakeholder details.

# COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages should you so wish.

I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

Leave our environment alone. NO to all proposed off shore gas production and extraction.

You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as interested and affected parties.

Please return the Registration, Comment and Reply form to: WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OFFICE P.O. Box 6001, Halfway House, 1685 Tel: (011) 254 4800 Fax: (086) 582 1561 WhatsApp: 076 694 3842 E-mail: teepsaEIA@WSP.com THANK YOU!

Good day

I object to gas pipelines being built or gas extracted off the coast of Mossel Bay. My reasons include but are not limited to the following:

-Handing the project over to PetroSA will not benefit local communities and relinquishes power to a corporation that does not have the majority's best interests at heart, nor the environment's.

-Risk of oil/gas spill is too high, and the negative impacts thereof are astronomical

-Interferes with the movements/migration of whale and fish species (thus severely detriments the health, safety and overall well-being of wildlife and, in turn, human communities who rely on them for sustainable food security and income)

-Borders a marine protected area which cannot be protected

-No meaningful effort is being made by the government or large corporations to invest and secure renewable and sustainable energy sources as promised

-Projects like these contribute to massive greenhouse gas emissions and other harm to the environment

Please please consider doing the right thing for the environment and it's inhabitants.

Kind regards Dr Daisy Gidlow Private individual

From:	Rachel Gregorowski <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 14:54
То:	TEEPSA EIA; ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay

To whom it may concern,

I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons:

1. The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration.

2. The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.

3. Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income

4. Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.

5. This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment 6. The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.

7. There as been evidence of misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants misadvertised the meeting the day before with a loud hailer telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to get a job.

Please note my objetion

Kind regards Rachel

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Rachel Gregorowski

From:	richard gregorowski <
Sent:	Thursday, 02 February 2023 22:59
То:	TEEPSA EIA; ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Mossel Bay plan

To whom it may concern,

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From:Wessel Grobler <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 13:26To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Total Exploration plans at Mossel Bay

I am an interested and effected party and live in George a mere 30km away

Iam an RSA citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me and my family

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I belief the exploration plan of Total will irreversibly harm the eco system of the ocean

I strongly object to their plans we need to protect the eco systems at all cost

Why are we even entertaining selling our ocean

Regards

wessel Grobler

Sent from my iPhone

From:Elly Grossman <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 14:35To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Fwd: Offshore drilling application

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Elly Grossman** < Date: Fri, 3 Feb 2023 at 13:53 Subject: Offshore drilling application To: <<u>teep-saEIA@wsp.com</u>>

Kindly record my opposition to the above application on environmental grounds and that natural gas and petroleum products are being replaced with renewable resources. Kindly add me as an interested party. ES Grossman

--Prof ES Grossman PO Box 14 CANNON ROCKS 6186 SOUTH AFRICA

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From:	Felicity Grube < >
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 15:49
То:	TEEPSA EIA; ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Registration and comments on TotalEnergies' S&EIA process for proposed ofshore drilling in
	Block 11B/12B
Attachments:	IMG_20230203_0002.pdf; IMG_20230203_0001.pdf



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The notification for the œ Plettenberg Boy was sent out on the morning of the meeting date, which is unacceptable and underhand.

For internal use to confirm capture of stakeholder details into the stakeholder database

Stakeholder database reference number

Signature of data capturer

## COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages.

I have the following comments regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

. Drilling and building new gas pipelines off Massel Bay and other Western Cape coastal areas ail negotively - and probably irretrievably - affect what and sardine migrations, and will impact all marine lite, as seabed sediments are disturbed and noise and pollution result from driking activities. The drilling block borders on a marine protected environment. South Africa committed to reach not zero emissions by 2050. This project completely contradicts that commenter. Certain government officials will benefit enamously from the proposed R8 billion (+) annual income if this drilling project goes ahead. It will also ensure that other oil companies will follow suit. You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as an Interested and Affected Party. We do Not need more fassil fuel programmes in or around south Africa to create more and more untold damage to this country and the gobal climate. Please return the Registration, Comment and Reply form to: WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OFFICE P.O. Box 6001, Halfway House, 1685 Tel: (011) 254 4800 Fax: (086) 582 1561 WhatsApp: 076 694 3842 E-mail: teepsaEIA@WSP.com / gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com THANK YOU!

From:	P M <
Sent:	Tuesday, 31 January 2023 19:08
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	I object to the ESIA for gas extraction by TOTAL

I TOTALLY object to the gas extraction by Total that is being proposed. Please add my objection to the thousands or millions you receive.

From:EBRAHIM HAFFEJEE <</td>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 16:00To:TEEPSA EIASubject:TOTAL ENERGIES EXPLORATION OFF MOSSEL BAY

I am an interested and object to Total Energies oil exploration between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis - Total Energies please desist from messing with Our Ocean . Conserve the natural ecosystem / marine habitat for our future generations . Sent from Ebrahim Haffejee , South Africa From:allisonelove1 <</th>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 11:13To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Support

Good day

I'd like to register my support to oppose Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.

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With thanks and kind regards Allison Hahn

From:	Caroline Halvorsen <
Sent:	Thursday, 02 February 2023 11:25
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Objection to TotalEnergies

Good morning.

I object the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 11B/12B – Draft Scoping Report for the client TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V.

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Nothing is being done to protect wildlife or the planet and this will cause major damage.

From:	Rita Hardaker < <b>Reserve State</b> >
Sent:	Wednesday, 01 February 2023 08:51
To:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Drilling off Mosselbay
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I wish to register as an objector to the proposed drilling by TOTAL along our coastline.

E. Hardaker email

From:	Arnd Hardtke <	>
Sent:	Saturday, 04 February 2023 08:31	
То:	TEEPSA EIA	
Subject:	Register for petition agains Total Energy plans	

I am an interested and - as living in Cape St. Francis - directly affected person. Given that I like to register for your valuable petition against Total Energy Plans..

Kind regards,

Dr. Arnd Hardtke

Da Gama Road 93

Mobile:	
E-Mail:	

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From:	
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 13:20
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Total Energies Plans for offshore oil & gas projects - Registration as an I&AP

#### Good afternoon

I am an interested and affected party. I am a South African citizen and I am deeply concerned about climate change, and the effects that prospecting and drilling for oil and gas have, on both land and sea. As a country and a world, we should not be considering any new projects that concern fossil fuels, and especially not when the vast majority of the reward will not even go to South Africa, but will leave the country. It makes no sense that we should mess up our oceans and ocean life, run the terrible risks of spills, add to the greenhouse gases, and barely (if at all) benefit.

Jane Harley



From:Txarani Harmse < </th>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 16:28To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection to Outeniqua coastal drill by Total

I object to the proposed drill by Total for oil on the Outeniqua coast line near Mosselbay as it boarders on a wild marine nature reserve and would contaminate and pollute the waters in that area which is also a major current for migrating whales.

Blessings, Bianca Harmse From:Pru Harrington <</th>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 19:57To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Interested

Hello..

I am interested to tick the boxes to stop the greed for monetary gain..

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Like we did with Shell..lets do it again...

Regards

Pru Harrington

From:	Francois Harris <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 12:19
То:	TEEPSA EIA; ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia
Subject:	Objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay

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Kind Regards

Francois Harris

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Subject:	PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT   BLOCK 11B/12B BY TOTALENERGIES EP
	SOUTH AFRICA B.V. REF. NO. 12/4/013

Sirs

I am a registered IAP and attended the public meeting in Knysna several days ago.

Every local political party delivered their prepared speeches from their soapboxes after which some of them left! Clearly not interested in TEEPSA's reply.

TEEPSA's presentation was thorough and well presented. The Chairman handled the meeting professionally and was calmness personified.

I fully support your proposed efforts.

Thank you and good luck.

Regards

#### Gordon Hayward

From: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia [mailto:gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com]
Sent: 03 February 2023 11:48
To: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com>
Subject: REMINDER: PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT | BLOCK 11B/12B BY TOTALENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA B.V. REF. NO. 12/4/013

#### Dear Stakeholder

This is a reminder that the public comment period on the Draft Scoping Report for the TEEPSA Block 11B/12B ESIA closes **today**, 03 February 2023.

Please register as an I&AP and submit your comments if you have not done so already.

Kind Regards,

#### **WSP Public Participation Office**

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Hi

Please be advised that I wish to register as an interested and affected party.

I have been unable to find the registration form referred to in a communication made to me, and would be grateful if you could provide me with a copy thereof for completion.

>

Thanks and regards

Paul Henderson

From:Gwen Hillman < Image: Sent:</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 16:11To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis - Stop Total Energies from messing with Our Ocean



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## I am an interested and affected party.

## I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

Yours faithfully Gwen Hillman

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# Subject:FW: Registration Comment Reply Form\_Eng-1Attachments:5\_221124\_TEEPSA-Block\_11B12B-ESIA\_RegistrationCommentReplyForm\_Eng-1.pdf

From: Edna Hime < Section 2023 12:52 To: TEEPSA EIA < teepsaEIA@wsp.com > Subject: Registration Comment Reply Form\_Eng-1

To whom it may concern, please find the attached form.

Kind regards, Edna

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Do you want to register as an Interested and Affected Party?									
Please register me as an interested and affected party (I&AP) for this project so that I YES / NO may receive further information and notifications as the project develops									
Please include my details on WSP's database to contact me about future projects in						NO			
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In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), I disclose below any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest that I may have in the approval or refusal of the application:		Date			02/01/2023				
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## COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages should you so wish.

# I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

The amount of oil spills from platforms, pipelines, tankers, and coastal facilities every year pose a serious risk to our coasts and oceans, and the economy.

Offshore drilling operations release toxic pollution into the air and water. How will this be prevented?

Drilling at the platform can release volatile organic compounds, greenhouse gases, and other air pollutants. How will this be prevented?

Even a small oil spill could devastate the crab population by killing its larvae. Will this be investigated?

A major spill could devastate our beaches and coastal inhabitants. How will this be prevented?

Will an independant external Environmental Control Officer monitor all the phases of this proposed activity?

When offshore drilling is introduced into a region, it jeopardizes commercial fishing, recreation, and tourism economies. How will this be mitigated.

What is the total GDP from tourism that is at risk with this proposed activity?

What carbon byproducts and other pollutants will be released into the air in the areas where they plan to drill.

Energy companies are using seismic testing to reveal where there could be potential oil deposits beneath the ocean's surface. Has seismic testing already been done?

The seismic blasts have been shown to decrease the number of zooplankton that live almost everywhere and form the backbone of the ocean's ecosystem.

The water that these animals live in is just as crucial to their survival as it is a source of oxygen for them.

How can the risk to the envoronment from offshore drilling perhaps be lowered to an acceptable level to mitigate the immense risks that come with it?

There was an oil leak/spill on December 2022 in Mossel Bay which proves that accidents happen and the effect is always negative.

You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as interested and affected parties.

### Please return the Registration, Comment and Reply form to:

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### THANK YOU!

From:Dave Holt <</th>Sent:Tuesday, 24 January 2023 17:40To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Registration as an I&AP and info request

Good day

I attended the 3pm meeting at Plettenberg Bay Community Hall on 20 January. When completing the attendance register I left blank the response to the question as to whether or not I wished to be registered as, having very little idea of what the meeting was about, I wasn't sure how to respond. I unfortunately had to leave the meeting early but when I asked for the page (I was about the 6<sup>th</sup> person to register) on which I had registered it too was floating around in the hall with the other issued to the multitude of taxied in late arrivals. I now request to be registered as an I &AP.

Just before I left, the WSP representative (Helen?), while addressing the meeting, advised that proper notice of the meeting had been given as this had been done in early December so as to ensure the required 30 day notice had been given as some 15 days in December were "dead days" - I can't remember the exact term she used. She also mentioned a number of ways in which the notice had been given but these weren't clear to me.

Can you please advise the dates and methods of advertising the notice of the meeting to be held in Plettenberg Bay on 20 January 2023. It seemed from the non-verbal actions of those who were present at the meeting before the influx of late arrivals that they, like me, only became aware of the meeting the day before as a result of a Facebook announcement. Others to whom I have asked the question subsequently have responded with blank looks and "what meeting, what are you talking about".

I look forward to receiving confirmation of my registration as an I &AP and the information giving the details of when and how notice of the meeting was communicated. If, for example, one of the methods was by newspaper advertisement, please advise the date(s) and in which newspaper(s) the advertisement was placed,

Thank you D A Holt, ID No Address: Plettenberg Bay. Cell No

From:	Bianca Hubbard <
Sent:	Thursday, 26 January 2023 15:36
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Register for TEEPSA EAST LONDON

Bianca Hubbard.

teepsaEIA@WSP.com is the email address.

I object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be a huge danger for our natural marine life. And we are all meant to be heading towards renewable energies and sources.

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From:Friday, 03 February 2023 15:49Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 15:49To:TEEPSA EIASubject:STOP TOTAL ENERGIES FROM MESSING WITH OUR PRECIOUS OCEANS

# *I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. Therefor consider me both interested and affected,*

Must Add: Marjorie Grace Hughes

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Kensington B Randburg 2124 Cell

> "What do you mean, he don't eat no meat? That's okay, that's okay. I make lamb." —Aunt Voula (Andrea Martin), *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*

From:Gerwin Intemann <</th>Sent:Thursday, 02 February 2023 14:54To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Object the Proposed Offshore Production Right

Good Day,

With this mail I am objecting the proposed offshore production right. As a citizen living in East London, I see the personal risk of pollution of the beautiful beaches and a health risk as a frequent ocean user. Furthermore, starting new offshore productions while we are failing to even keep a 1.5 °C global warming target achievable, is nothing else but ignorant. What will your children say?

**Best Regards** 

Gerwin Intemann

From:Ronni Israelstam <</th>Sent:Sunday, 05 February 2023 12:49To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Total Energies petition

I am an RSA Citizen. I am an interested party and, although I live inland, this proposal that will affect South African ocean life will also affected me and fellow citizens and tourists.

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Veronica Israelstam Contact No : Email : From:Jean Janse van Rensburg <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 15:21To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Petition against Total

I am interested and affected by this venture due to how involved and closely related I am to the natural elements, what ever they might be. I cannot stand by and watch them destroy our natural ecosystems for the mere fact of capital gains. It can always be done in a way that is better for all parties involved, and however that might cost them more money and make things more challenging in more ways than one, this is something that should absolutely be a prerequisite to being able to undertake such a venture - making sure thay the absolute least of amount of harm is done to our natural systems for everything needs to be in balance if we want to keep outlr beautiful earth functioning in the glorious way that it does.

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Thank you

From:Susan Janssen <</th>Sent:Tuesday, 14 February 2023 21:21To:TEEPSA EIASubject:TOTAL ENERGIES PROJECT Block 11B and 12B

To whom it may concern,

I, Susan Janssen of the Knysna district on the Garden Route, SAID **Construction**, email address phone **Construction**, here by object to the Total ENERGIES project in Block 11B and 12B.

These platforms pose a grave threat to our marine wildlife including birds and ecosystems. TOTAL is a French company and the benefit of this exercise has not been determined for SA, therefore hardly any jobs will be created for locals.

The blasts used in the construction and running of these facilities has undeniable damage implications imposed on our wildlife and ecosystems, and later on our economic systems.

TOTAL energies and their partners will not take any responsibilities, financial or otherwise after they have finished with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the South African government. And the problem remains for the South African public and wildlife to deal with. On an ethical level this is unacceptable.

TOTAL energies plans to leave all their equipment and waste material on the seabed because it costs them too much money to remove.

I object on all levels, this must be stopped at all costs!

Yours truly, Susan Janssen

From:	Gesine Johansson < >	
Sent:	Thursday, 26 January 2023 16:50	
То:	TEEPSA EIA	
Subject:	Objection to TEEPSA oil and gas exploitatio	n

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I strongly object to TEEPSA getting the rights to exploit gas and oil along the southern coast of Africa. We need to save the rich wildlife in our oceans and rather invest in solar and wind energy.

**Gesine Johansson** 

# Registration. Comment and public meeting

Arnold Jones <

Thu 1/12/2023 9:15 PM

To: ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com>

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From:	Thamsanqa Ashley Kanyuchi <
Sent:	Saturday, 03 December 2022 01:44
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Totals gas field public comment

#### Sir/madam

It's an insult to even consider this absurd proposal,45% to total energies 25% to Qatar petroleum and 20 to CNR international are you kidding me?if multinationals don't to play ball let them leave you mean to tell me south africa would get 5% ownership from this deal, and yet the taxman will worry about its diminishing tax collection when it wants to receive such ridiculous returns on a resource discovered off our shorelines, and then tax that's supposedly needed to be collected siphoned off by the same people who got more from this deal, the people of this land deserve more, if their gonna risk environmental armageddon and potential health risk let it be for more, citizens in these multinational homes get more and you want to offer us less on our own land, to them I say pack and leave.

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From:	Allan Kaplan <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 20:28
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Comment on Draft Scoping Report Block 11b_12b TOTAL ENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA

Comment on Draft Scoping Report Block 11b\_12b TOTAL ENERGIES EP SOUTH AFRICA

I totally object to the production of oil and gas from the ocean off the coast of Mossel Bay. As a resident of the area, I object to the invasion of my coast, my people, my culture and my health. I do not give my permission to any oil company to mine for anything off the coast of my homeland.

Sincerely Allan Kaplan

From:	Miila Kauppinen <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 15:43
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	May I be informed about the proposed offshore drilling

Hello,

My name is Miila Kauppinen, I am a resident in the Crags, the Garden Route. I would like to register as an interested party in the matter of the proposed offshore oil drilling in the bays off Garden Route. Hope this is possible. I do not know enough about the matter yet to ask questions or comments in any way, and thus to receive more information and being able to be in the loop of the proposal would be wonderfully appreciated.

Kind regards, Miila Kauppinen From:Edwin Khomo < Sector</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 21:46To:TEEPSA EIASubject:COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF TOTALENERGIES GAS EXPLORATION APPLICATION

## Dear Sir/Madam

I hereby submit my support for the TotalEnergies Exploration Application. Please consider my motivation below herein.

## SIGNIFICANCE AND THE IMPACT OF FUEL TO THE ECONOMY

Fuel is the lifeblood of the economy and a centrepiece for economic development.

If there is an increase in fuel price, the impact of that is felt throughout the entire economy. Such an increase-triggers increases in goods and services in all sectors and their value chains. This leads to, among others, increases in the cost of transportation of goods, transport fares for commuters, food price, medicine price, electricity price etc. Such price hikes then cause employees to demand higher wages or salaries when they negotiate with their employers due to a high cost of living. Such a state of affairs, among others, slows down economic growth, leads to higher inflation which will depreciate the local currency and also diminishes the ability of the country to create jobs.

On the contrary, if there is sustained decrease in the price of fuel, that will stimulate economic growth of the country. A sustained fuel price decrease will impact positively on the lives of the citizens, and amongst others, will yield to an increase in the productive capacity of a country, increase fiscas and also lead to job creation. This is because citizens will use less money on transportation, and thus, will have more of their disposable income and more buying power. As a result, the economy will grow, create more jobs and the government will collect more tax revenue. This will, amongst others, reduce the inflation and strengthen the value of the local currency and also help the country to attract Foreign Direct Investment, and will improve the economic outlook and rating status of a country.

If one considers countries especially in the Middle East, countries like Dubai and United Arab Emirates are good examples of countries whose socio-economic development advancement is hinged on the backbone of Oil & Gas discovery and exploration.

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We believe that the seismic surveys off the shore of the Wild Coast in the Eastern Cape are pivotal and could lead to the discovery of Oil & Gas. Such a discovery is necessary in order to improve the socio-economic outlook and to boost the GDP of the Eastern Cape Province, and that of South Africa at large. South Africa is heavily relying on the import of crude oil for the local refineries. A discovery of Oil and Gas deposits could also reignite the domestic industry value chain and enable the industry to provide South Africa with a secure supply of fuel.

## SEISMIC SURVEYS CONDUCTED IN THE WESTERN CAPE

## Western Cape

In 2019, seismic surveys were conducted off the shore of Mossel Bay by TotalEnergies and that seismic operation continued in 2020 in tandem with a drilling campaign. The seismic surveys led to the discovery of the 'Bullfrog Well' off the shore of Mossel Bay, which is located in the Western Cape. This discovery is one of several highly anticipated exploration prospects of TotalEnergies and this discovery will, *inter alia*, boost the GDP of Western Cape and that of the country at large.

## Mossel Bay

Mossel Bay is a pristine town within the Western spectacular seaside lifestyle, and fishing and tourism are local economic development key drivers of that area. There is a variety of marine life and sea mammals around the seashore of Mossel Bay, such as:

- The Cape Fur Seals which are found in large concentration in Seal Island which is in Mossel Bay which are a tourist attraction
- There are White Sharks and Shark Cage Diving activities in Mossel Bay
- There are a lot of Dolphins and also Orcas sightings in Mossel Bay
- There are Whales and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay which take place from July to October

Sea mammals like Seals, White Sharks, Dolphins, Orcas and Whales are still found in Mossel Bay after the 2020 seismic survey operation which was conducted by TotalEnergies.

## Observation

Whereas, there were claims from certain interest groups that the seismic surveys would lead to irreparable harm to marine life such as dolphins, whales, seals etc, these claims turned out not to be true.

Instead, the following observations can be made:

- There was no irreparable harm caused to fishing and eco-tourism after the TotalEnergies 2020 seismic survey operations

- The seismic surveys led to the discovery of large oil reserves

- The discovery will, amongst others, contribute immensely to the Western Cape's GDP

- The seismic survey operation did not impact on the whale migration because whales descended from Antarctic to the warmer waters of South African Coast near Mossel Bay in 2020, 2021 and in 2023

- The Seal Island in Mossel Bay still has a large concentration of Cape Fur Seals, Shark Cage Diving activities, Dolphins and Orcas are still sighted after the seismic operations

- There was no court Interdict lodged to stop the TotalEnergies seismic surveys

The above observations demonstrate that the seismic survey operation did not cause any irreversible damage to sea mammals.

I hope you will find the above in order.

Kind regards Edwin Khomo

Resident of Port Elizabeth (Gqeberha), Nelson Mandela Bay

From:George King <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 13:02To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection to Total Energies plans

Good day

I am an RSA Citizen aged 75 and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I've experienced enough in my long life of ocean pollution along the South African coast and elsewhere.

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George Tregunno King

From:Claire Kockott <</th>Sent:Thursday, 02 February 2023 09:56To:ZA - GLD - Teepsa EsiaSubject:Re: Extraction of fossil fuels

Hi Office

I'd like to register my objections to any mining off the Coast of South Africa and starting with this TEEPSA block application between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis.

I have Googled "images of oil and gas disasters at sea" and have seen for myself how common massive accidents are on big oil projects, how often there is no accountability, no clean up, no compensation. SURELY WE CAN NO LONGER STAND BY & ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN? This block is right on the Aghulus current, a major migratory route. Disturbance here is unacceptable. Keep fossil fuels in the ground. Work on domestic and community scale renewables initiatives rather. Our coast needs protecting. #oceansnotoil Regards Claire Kockott

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> On 30 Jan 2023, at 11:46, ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia <gld.teepsaesia@wsp.com> wrote:
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> Dear Claire
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> Thank you for registering as an I&AP, your contact details have been added to the stakeholder database.
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> Kind regards,
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> From: Claire Kockott <
> Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 12:46 PM
> To: TEEPSA EIA <teepsaEIA@wsp.com>
> Subject: Extraction of fossil fuels
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From:	Faheemah Kolia <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 20:23
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	TEEPSA Block 11b/12b Application - WSP public participation Registration of Interested and
	Affected Parties
Attachments:	Total Energies Application - Petition Public Objection _ Comments List.xls; Total Energies
	Application - Petition Public Objection _ Signature List.xls

The Participation Officer

Please see attached lists containing the names of 6,805 (six thousand eight hundred and five) signatories and 155 comments that are to be included in your records of public participation as 6,805 (six thousand eight hundred and five) interested and affected parties.

Please record the Petition in your records, link below https://www.change.org/search?q=mossel%20bay%20to%20Cape%20St%20Francis&offset=0

Thanking you Faheemah Kolia 082 800 0071

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Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis - Stop Total Energies from messing with Our Ocean Total Energies intends to dig for gas and explore 12,000 sq km of South Africa's Oceans from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis Their project Impact Assessment Scoping Report ....

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Clive Norman Jennifer Brebner Jean Jansen Van	Cape Town Somerset West			South Africa South Africa	2023/02/02 "We need to go for renewable energy.Until government has proved that corruption is is under control, no extra money should go to them." 2023/02/02 "We do not want ANYBODY to mess with our oceans!!! Just leave our oceans alone!"
Rensburg	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/02 "It is irresponsible and must be stopped." "This will wreak havoc on our coastline and marine life. The environmental knock on effects will be devastating. Alternative options need to be explored
Luke Vlok	Plettenberg Bay			South Africa	2023/02/02 with lesser impact"
Dana Yerushalmy	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Big business just wants to destroy our oceans. WE MUST STOP THEM FOR THE FUTURE GENERATIONS"
Judy Van der Merwe	Johannesburg			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Judy vd Merve"
Paul Grobler	Pretoria			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Stop the destruction of our planet"
Hannie van Wieringen				South Africa	2023/02/02 "Hannie van Wieringen"
Hendrik van Blerk	Johannesburg			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Find a sustainable less destructive alternative."
Allan May	Middelburg	Western		South Africa	2023/02/02 "Go fuck up your own back yard and keep out of SA."
Desiree Thomson	Western Cape	Cape		South Africa	2033/02/02 "Because what they want to do is wrong."
Pieter Jooste	Durban			South Africa	2023/02/02 "It is just a money making project for the company with no direct benefit to SA"
Peter Bowland	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/02 "I want to save our environment"
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Dorothy Kennedy	Durban			South Africa	2023/02/02 "It is a dreadful idea. Our beautiful coastline and sea life is too precious and should be preserved at any cost."
					The total disregard for the marine life and the creatures who inhabit these zones and have done so since time immemorial before total was even
David & Heather Zeller				South Africa	2013/12/102 dreamed of is appailing, cruel, ruthless and totally (not to put too fine a point on it) demonic."
Lorna Emanuel	Durban			South Africa	2033/02/02 "Our oceans need to be protected not plundered"
Grant Gibor	Cape Town		800.	8005 South Africa	2023/02/02 "Totally against the exploration for oil, gas or other along our coast line"
Biza Just	Vereeniging			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Irs just wrong"
Melanie Hall	London		EC2V	N	2023/02/02 "Total Energies are potentially going to destroy our fragile environment. Hands off, Enough now !"
					"I care for the protection and conservation of our natural ecosystems and they deserve to be reserved for future generations in the near and distant
					future, from the world over. As a Geologist I understand the repucussions of LPG gas extraction for fresh water stocks and our local estuary and marine
Tim Hollis	George			South Africa	2023/02/02 life, and the slightest negligence or human error can cause devastating pollution of these natural water stocks, particularly ground water reserves."
Lindy Schlosz				Maldives	2023/02/02 "Despicable !"
Jeffrey Knickelbein	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/02 "I don't trust Total."
Barbara Du Toit				South Africa	2023/02/02 "Let them go dig in their own back yard"
Sivvy Setowski	Nelspruit			South Africa	2023/02/02 "Our coastline must be protected"
Claire Newcombe-					
Jakeman	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/02 "I don't believe in profit over ecology!"
Elizabeth Morris	Johannesburg		204	2041 South Africa	2023/02/03 "It's enough! Stop destroying the environment. It's not yours to destroy."
Mariette Carstens	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/03 "The Ocean is our number one support on earth for survival, it deserves our attention and supporr"
Berenice Kilfojl	Perth		600.	6001 Australia	2023/02/03 "i'm concerned about the environmental impact it will have on marine life in all its forms."
Derek Drew	Cape Town			South Africa	2023/02/03 "Leave our oceans alone, surely there are other options for fuel"
Celia Scribante	Jozini			South Africa	2023/02/03 "I object to any drilling or pipelines between Mosselbay and St Francis."
					"I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past hecause it has started to and will
Nikki Gouws	Witbank			South Africa	2023/02/03 continue do destructive the visibility of of fining space and our planet."
Melissa Adey	Nelspruit			South Africa	2023/02/03 "The ocean needs protecting."
Paula Slabbert	Plettenberg bay			South Africa	2023/02/03 "I love nature"
Melissa Watson	Port Elizabeth			South Africa	2023/02.03 "We need to preserve our beautiful coastline and act responsibly with regards to the oceans ecosystems"

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From:Gabriella Kovacich <</th>Sent:Wednesday, 01 February 2023 08:58To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection

This is a VERY strong objection against TOTALS plan to create a pipeline off Mosslebay!!!!

There is no doubt that this is a destructive initiative with only one objective , MONEY!!! When in reality the devastating effects on environment, sea creatures, been on whale and sardine run routes, there is no way thos is acceptable or even be considered, protecting the ocean and the vicinity of marine protected area are of utmost importance and should be our priority

Once you destroy this world NO MONEY can bring it back, these creatures have as much right to live their lives safely in peace, who are we to destroy and cause suffering

Do what is right, greed will not feed future generations , destroying nature will not serve future generations. PRESERVATION is our only way forward.

Tourism brings a lot of money to our country, people come BECAUSE of nature, once it's gone we loose this national income of international currencies entering our country and Rand value will drop!!!

We already facing high carbon/ emitions affecting weather patterns & causing global warming and many natural disasters why would anyone get permission to contribute to more green house gasses and release of carbon from ocean bed ??? Money??

Watch your backs humanity these people really don't care about anything other than THEMSELVES!!!

I pray that all involved choose to do what is right & not destroy this beautiful planet, our home...in the name if greed and amassing wealth for a small handful of people who really don't care about the rest of the population and OUR beautiful world

STOP THIS MADNESS!!!!

God Bless ALL Gabriella

From:	Gary Kritzinger <	
Sent:	Tuesday, 14 February 2023 19:49	
To: Subject:	ZA - GLD - Teepsa Esia; TEEPSA EIA Objection to the Total project in blocks 11B and 12	В.
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To whom it may concern,

I, Gary Kritzinger of the Knysna district on the Garden Route, SA ID # **Constant and Second Second**, email address phone number **Constant Second Second** 

Block 11B and 12B.

These platforms pose a grave threat to our marine wildlife including birds and ecosystems. Total is a French company and the benefit of this exercise has not been determined for SA, therefore hardly any jobs will be created for locals. The blasts used in the construction and running of these facilities has undeniable damage implications imposed on our wildlife and ecosystems, and later on our economic systems.

Total energies and their partners will not take any responsibilities, financial or otherwise after they are finished with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the South African government. And the problem remains for the South African public and wildlife to deal with. On an ethical level this is unacceptable.

Total Energies plans to leave all their equipment and waste material on the seabed because it costs them too much money to remove.

I object on all levels, this must be stopped at all costs

Kindest regards,

Gary Kritzinger

From:harry lancaster <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 14:14To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection

I am an interested and affected party.

I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

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We have to leave a legacy four our children and their children. Everything is not all about making a buck!

Harry Lancaster

From:	Norma <
Sent:	Friday, 03 February 2023 17:31
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis - Stop Total Energies from destroying our Oceans and mining for
	gas

I, Norma Patricia Levin am an interested and affected party.

I am an RSA Citizen and object in the strongest possible terms to Total Energies mining the coast for gas and using seismic testing to do so.

Seismic testing is extremely harmful to sea life and gas is a fossil fuel.

Fossil fuels are destroying our planet but BIG GAS and corrupt governments don't care.

## My contact details are

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From:	Rosie Diane <
Sent:	Saturday, 04 February 2023 00:08
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	Comments re: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore
	Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 11B/12B – Draft
	Scoping Report REF NO: 12/4/13

From Marilyn Lilley -I&AP

Comments re:

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 11B/12B – Draft Scoping Report

REF NO: 12/4/13

Total Energies EP South Africa B.V.

to Contact person (WSP Consultant): WSP PP Office teepsaEIA@WSP.com +27 11 254 480 : 076 694 3842

For the following reasons and concerns I do not believe that the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 11B/12B should be granted.

Total and accumulative GHG emissions

1. There will be vast related onshore infrastructure development with various plants required to process the gas for export.

2. What are all the various industrial infrastructures that will be required to be contstructered onshore to process the

oil/ gas landing by pipeline from offshore and including pumping onto the export vessels?

3. What will the total greenhouse gas emissions be for all the various related onshore industrial infrastructures for the total duration of a production permit?

4. What will the total greenhouse gas emissions be for all the various related offshore infrastructures required for the duration of a production permit,

including all flaring, venting, fugitive emissions, use of diesel etc, emissions from vessels required in developing offshore production infrastructures, including total ghg emissions for vessels transporting the oil/gas for export to and from South Africa for the duration of a production permit?

#### Power/ electricity requirements

1. How much power would be needed for all the related onshore infrastructures for the total duration of a production permit?

2. Where will all this power be sourced for the permit duration? Details required please.

3. South Africa does not have enough power with rolling blackouts with many various negative impacts on the public and business, and no solution in the near future to increase power output to satisfy the needs of SA and the public.

4. I belive that before any production permits are considered these issues need to be considered and answers given to the SAfrican public.

5. The possible impacts on the ocean and the wide diversity of marine life in the area including migrating whales are of great concern to me.

6. The possibility of pipeline and other offshore drilling and production related infrastructure leaks, spills explosions, with sea, environment, air contamination, and impacts on marine life are of great concern to me.

Environment, social

1. The possibility of onshore leaks, spills, explosions from related onshore infrastructures impacting communities, environment, air, health are of great concern to me.

2. The possible impacts on small scale fishers and fishing communities both onshore and offshore are of great concern to me.

3. The health and environmental impacts of toxic gasses from oil and gas infrastructures omshore and offshore eg emissions flaring, venting, spills, explosions, on the environment, health and global warming.

4. .How and where will all the toxic radioactive flow back be disposed off? What will the total flow back be for all the wells to be drilled?

Is fracking included as per the 'deviated' wells?

5. All the Constitutional Rights of South Africans must be upheld.

Thank you Yours sincerely Marily Lilley

From:	Bev Lloyd <
Sent:	Thursday, 26 January 2023 14:28
То:	TEEPSA EIA
Subject:	To Objection to the Proposed Total Oil Drilling

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#### Good Afternoon

Please may I ask you if you can assist with further information regarding the proposed Total Oil's involvement with off shore drilling in the Eastern Cape. In particular in Port Alfred and Kenton On sea

Many thanks

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Bev Lloy	d
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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Janet Longman < Second
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As a South African Citizen all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.

Exploration and Production will negatively impact marine, plant, bird and consequently human life. Our oceans are precious, and cannot be replaced, and our fishermen need an undisturbed environment to carry out their work.

Janet Longman

From:Doug Macdonald <</th>Sent:Friday, 03 February 2023 21:48To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Objection

Sirs,

As a SA citizen, surfer and ocean lover I am an interested and affected party objecting to Total Energies Plans.

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Anything that even slightly negatively impacts out ocean and environments consequently impacts me, never mind the vital economic generation we all need from tourism.

Furthermore I believe my grandchildren and their children have a right to unharmed oceans and environments.

Yours,

Dougla	as Macdonald
cell:	

email:

Sent from my iPhone

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From:Dawn Macgregor <</th>Sent:Thursday, 02 February 2023 16:52To:TEEPSA EIASubject:OBJECTION

I hereby lodge my OBJECTION to TotalEnergies' plan to drill new wells and lay pipelines in the area between and offshore from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis.

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My objections: a blowout, accidental release or spillages will be catastrophic to marine life plus the regional industries of tourism, fisheries and recreational industries; offshore oil and gas exploration has a major negative impact on green gases and hence climate change, and more desirable and viable energy alternatives have not been fully considered. Deep water coral beds will be smothered by operational waste. Fish spawnings will be negatively impacted by toxic waste and emissions. CSEM surveys pose a risk to elasmobranch species (incl sharks, rays, skates). Nolse and pressure emissions impact negatively and widely on marine turtles, mammals and cetaceans. Dr DZA MACGREGOR



PLETTENBERG BAY.

From:	Joanne Macgregor <	>
Sent:	Thursday, 02 February 2023 16:46	
То:	TEEPSA EIA	
Subject:	Objection to TotalEnergies' plan - OUteniqua Basin	

To Whom it may concern:

I hereby lodge my OBJECTION to TotalEnergies' plan to drill new wells and lay pipelines in the area between and offshore from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis.

My objections:

1.a blowout, accidental release or spillages will be catastrophic to marine life plus the regional industries of tourism, fisheries and recreational industries;

2. offshore oil and gas exploration has a major negative impact on green gases and hence climate change; and

3. More desirable and viable energy alternatives have not been fully considered.

4. Deep water coral beds will be smothered by operational waste.

5.. Fish spawnings will be negatively impacted by toxic waste and emissions.

6. CSEM surveys pose a risk to elasmobranch species (incl sharks, rays, skates).

7. Noise and pressure emissions impact negatively and widely on marine turtles, mammals and cetaceans.

8. The are is situated in the Agulhas current - a major route for Whale and sardine migration; and

9. It borders a sensitive and protected marine protected area. There is no way of ensuring this reserve stays uncontaminated in the event of spillage or other-origin pollution from drilling and exploration activities.
 10. If this venture is permitted, it will set a precedent for the wholesale exploitation of energy reserves off out

10. If this venture is permitted, it will set a precedent for the wholesale exploitation of energy reserves off our coastline, which will catastrophic to marine and coastal life, and adjacent industries.

Yours faithfully

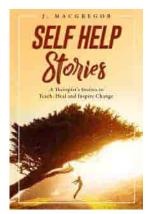
Joanne

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(Author, Psychologist)

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	Monday, 16 January 2023 13:23 TEEPSA EIA Registration form as a Stakeholder Stakehlder Registration Block 11&12B.Signed.pdf
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Good day Sir/Madam,

Please see my comments and recommendation in the attachment.

Kind Regards,

Mzwandile Py Majola Project Manager

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Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V.

# **Registration, Comment and Reply Form**

Draft Scoping Report: Thursday 01 December 2022 to Friday 03 February 2023

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# COMMENT(S)

You are welcome to use additional pages should you so wish.

I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

1. I Mzwandile P Majola support this initiative driven by Total and hope that Total will at all times

keep the community of Mossel Bay as well as all the other regions where affected posted with

all developments and feedbacks.

2. As noted in the Draft Scoping Report Non-Technical Summary share with us today, this is a

joint venture comprising TotalEnergiies EP SA.B.V,QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources and

a South African consortium. In the meeting it was never disclosed the %share among the

partnership. However as it was also mentioned that there negotiation to be held with PetroSA and

businesses, and also it was never clear that the years to unfold the project before production is

too long (2027) This is my recommendation: Petrosa and the government MUST enter into an

agreement to start with the refurbishment/plant repairs/shutdown for a period of 3 years (2023-

2026) This will eliviate employment crisis in the area while TEEPSA make sure that all required

permits are in place.

3. Also part of making sure that local small business are playing a part in the process in

particular...., Prepare us to play part in the procurement of equipment/consumables.

You are welcome to distribute this form to friends/colleagues who may be interested in the proposed project so that they also can register as interested and affected parties.

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# THANK YOU!

From:Brigitte Manitz <</th>Sent:Saturday, 04 February 2023 08:58To:TEEPSA EIASubject:Register for petition agains Total Energy plans

Hello,

I am an interested and directly affected person, living in Cape St. Francis. Given that I like to register for your valuable petition against Total Energy Plans.

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Kind regards,

brigitte manitz

mobile europe/Signal/iMessage: mobile south africa/WhatsApp/iMessage: mailto: Subject:FW: I&AP formAttachments:221215\_TEEPSA-Block\_11B12B-ESIA-\_MeetingReplyForm\_Eng\_Final.pdf

From: Thabiso Manne < Sent: 11 January 2023 12:17 To: TEEPSA EIA <<u>teepsaEIA@wsp.com</u>> Subject: I&AP form

Regards,

Thabiso Manne Director: Phofu Industries Pty(Ltd) Cell:

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Personal Information									
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Do you want to register as an Interested and Affected Party?									
Please register me as an i receive further informatio						t so that I may	X YES	NO	
I will attend the following public meetings in 2023:									
16 January, Kwanonqaba Community Hall, Mayixhale St, Kwanonqaba, Mossel Bay		YES		°Χ	21 January, Seavista Hall, Geelbek Street, St Francis Bay			YES	ΝΟΧ
17 January, Mossel Bay Town Hall, 101 Marsh Street, Mossel Bay		YES		٥X	23 January, Pellsrus Hall, 1 Harder Street, Jeffreys Bay		YES	ΝΟΧ	
18 January Thembalethu Community Hall, 66 Olympic Road, George		YES I		٥X	24 January, Feather Market Hall, 86 Baakens Street Port Elizabeth Central, Gqeberha		YES	ΝΟΧ	
19 January, Khayelethu Community Hall, Mbethana Street, Knysna		YES		٥X	25 January, Jauka Cor Runeli Drive, Port Alfre			YES	ΝΟΧ
20 January, Piesang Community Hall, 7 Greenpoint Ave, Plettenberg Bay		YES		٩Χ	26 January, Scenery Hall, 30 7 <sup>th</sup> Rd, Scer London		y Park Community hery Park, East	YES	ΝΟΧ
In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), I disclose below any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest that I may have in the approval or refusal of the application:			Date			11 January 2023			
			Signature						

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For internal use to confirm capture of stakeholder details into the stakeholder database

Stakeholder database reference number

# COMMENT(S)

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I have the following comments regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:

I am still reviewing the documents. There are no stakeholder sessions scheduled in Cape Town.

It would benefit the process if additional sessions were scheduled in Cape Town.

The timing of the stakeholder engagement also happens largely over a holiday period, please review.

Declaration: I am a former PetroSA employee.

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