

Comments and Responses 1415 Tosaco Energy Block 1 Exploration Right EIA

Elizabeth Balcomb

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

To you future eaters Please would you register me as an Interested and Affected Party for your drilling my ocean for oil and gas Offshore N cape. May you be plagued by all the flesh eating creatures our mother earth can send your way.

Response

Dear Elizabeth, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered on the I&AP database for the Tosaco Exploration Right Project. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Marcus Banga

Date 2021/03/18 Method Email

Comment

Good Morning Sir/Madam Please find our completed form where by we express our interest in the Offshore Exploration Project as advertised.

Response

Good Morning, Kindly note that you have been registered on the project database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they become available. Should you have any comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Refilwe Shelembe

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Dear Cheyenne I trust the you are well. Thank you for the notices of the EIAs. We are reporting to the DMRE (where these are submitted). We will be conflicted to comment on the same unless the DMRE request our technical input directly. If we comment – it will be DMRE who is the authority here commenting on what they will adjudicate. I am writing to you so that you do not get surprised when we do not respond. I have noted several of these as well. It is however good to know about the EIA's. Regards and keep well.

Response

Dear Mr Shelembe, Thank you for your correspondence. It is understood that comments will be directly submitted to the DMRE on this matter. Should you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact EIMS.

Ms Jennifer Olbers

Date 2021/03/07 Method Email

Comment

Good day, I would like to register as an I&AP for the TOSACO BLOCK 1 EXPLORATION RIGHT (Ref:1415/GP/cm).

Response

Dear Jennifer, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above mentioned project. Kindly note that you have been registered on the I&AP project database. As a registered I&AP

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Ms Jennifer Olbers

you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they becomes available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Mr Willem Louw

Date 2021/02/21 Method Email

Comment

Dear Ms Muthukarapan, I would like to register as Interested and affected party (I&AP) to participate in the EIA for the proposed Tosaco Block 1 Exploration Right EIA Project. Project Ref No. 1415

Response

Dear Mr Louw, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that as a registered I&AP you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any queries or comments please feel free to contact EIMS.

Ms Natasha Higgitt

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Good morning, Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <http://sahra.org.za/sahris/>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions. Please create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA. Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case application, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

Response

No response required. Project Documents uploaded to SAHRIS

Reason Nyengera

Date 2021/03/07 Method Email

Comment

Please find attached completed I&AP registration form and questionnaire. We would like to get involved and comment on the possible short-term and long-term direct and indirect impacts of

Response

Thank you for your registration. Kindly note that you have been registered on the project I&AP database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the

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Reason Nyengera

the proposed TOSACO Block 1 (EIMS Ref #: 1415) oil exploration on coastal and pelagic seabirds. Therefore, we request to get registered. We will send our preliminary comments as soon as possible.

Scoping and EIA reports for the project once they are made available. Should you have any comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Lindsey Smith

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

I trust that this email finds you well. Please will you register BirdLife South Africa as an I&AP for this application, as we will be interested to see the assessment documents. I do apologise for only registering now, your email was sent to our junk mail.

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they are made available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Elise Tempelhoff

Date 2021/03/17 Method Email

Comment

Will you please register me as an I&AP on this project, please

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered on the project I&AP database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA Reports when they become available. Should you have any queries or comments please feel free to contact EIMS.

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Comment

Dear Cheyenne, Thank you for your rapid response. What documents are available at the moment? Please send them to me for background information.

Response

Kindly find attached the BID for the project. Please note that the Scoping Report and associated appendices will be made available in due course. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices.

Trevor Wilson

Date 2021/03/07 Method Email

Comment

Kindly be informed the intended area of exploration falls within the scope of the Large Pelagic long line operations. Be advised Tuna long liners who operate in the area, once their fishing

Response

Dear Trevor, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above mentioned project. Kindly note that your initial comments as per below has been passed onto the project team for

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Trevor Wilson

gear is deployed their lines are naturally exposed to the sea current conditions and may drift uncontrollable in any direction. We trust you will keep us informed of daily planned activities.

their consideration. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Judy Bell

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Please would you register me as an I&AP for the application to explore for oil and gas offshore of N. Cape.

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered to the project I&AP database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Gustav von Mollendorf

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Good day Cheyenne your fax dated 23/02/21 refer. Please send all documents , invitations to meetings etc regarding this application to me.

Response

Good Day Kamie, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly kind attached the currently available documents for the project. Kindly note that you have been registered on the I&AP database and that as a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

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Comment

Good day Cheyenne did you receive my mail.

Response

Good Day Gustav, Please can you confirm if your received my correspondence with the requested information?

John Gibson

Date 2021/02/21 Method Email

Comment

Hi, If your not aware they slapped a Marine Protected Area amongst your proposed survey area. See Gazette No 42478 ,pages 52-55 Its classed as santuary.

Response

Dear Mr Gibson, I trust this email finds you well? Thank you for your correspondence regarding the proposed project. The Marine Protected Area has been identified by one of the specialists for the project and will be included in our Environmental Impact Assessment. Please can you confirm

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John Gibson

if you would like to be registered on the project I&AP database? As a registered I&AP you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they are made available. Should you require any further information or have any further comments please feel free to contact EIMS.

Johann Augustym

Date 2021/03/16 Method Email

Comment

As I responded previously, we were not able to open the registration form. Please ensure that we are listed as an IAP, since we have a direct interest in this area. Regards

Response

Dear Johann, Thank you for your follow up email. As per our conversation yesterday, kindly note that you have been registered on the project I&AP database. I have attached a word version of the questionnaire for your reference. As mentioned, the questionnaire contains questions relating to the receiving environmental and provides an opportunity for I&APs to provide any additional information to the project team that they feel is relevant. Should you not wish to complete the questionnaire, you are more than welcome to respond in email format, should you wish to provide additional information. Should you require any further assistance or have any further comments please feel free to contact EIMS.

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Comment

I am having problems opening the registration form pdf file. It seems to be corrupted. Please check and resend. Regards

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Please can you confirm if you have received the new file from this morning.

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Comment

Dear Cheyenne Thank you very much. I have filled out the IAP form and it is attached. I will submit further information once I receive feedback from our members. Best regards

Response

Dear Johann, Thank you for the feedback. I will pass the information onto the project team for their consideration. Further please note that you will be provided with an opportunity to review and comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact EIMS.

Esme Hough

Date 2021/02/18 Method Email

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Esme Hough

Comment

"Hi there I would appreciate receiving a registration form. After reading the document, I have one question: will the exploration of offshore oil and gas only be offshore and not on land?" A follow up email was sent on the 23/03/2021: "Good day I would appreciate it if you could confirm receipt of my email."

Response

Good Day Esme, I trust this email finds you well? Kindly find attached as request a copy of the EIMS registration form. Further to the above, kindly note that all exploration will be offshore in the area Marked as Blocked 1 (outlined in red) as per the attached locality map. Should you have any further comments and queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Claire Johnston

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Please would you register me as an I&AP for the application to explore for oil and gas offshore of N. Cape.

Response

Dear Claire, Thank you for your correspondence with regards to the above mentioned project. Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA Reports once they become available. Should you have any comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Leilani Swartbooi

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Herewith attached registration form: Interest: Alexkor holds mining rights in the area of interest. Communities/ tribal authorities/ organisations within the application area: Richtersveld CPA. Description of receiving environment: RAMSAR Area, Proposed Protect Area, Wetland, Mining and Agriculture. Proposed land developments: Proposed Boezoe Bay deep sea harbour and the Office of the Presidency. Cultural Features: Heritage Sites in the mining area: Graves and Fossils. Bio-physical / Socio-economic Impacts: Impact on Socio-economic development within the Richtersveld Community. Concerns: Impact on mining activities. General: How will this project coincide with the current mining activities and the proposed Bozoe Bay Harbour Project.

Response

Dear Leilani, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that your registration has been received. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they are made available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS using the contact details below.

Quinton

Date 2021/02/21 Method Email

Comment

I trust that you're good and healthy. I would like to request the registration form to complete

Response

Good Day Quinton, Thank you for your correspondence. My apologies. Kindly find attached.

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Quinton

as per your EMIS document. I'm looking forward to hearing from you soon. Follow up email was sent as informing EIMS that the attachment was missing.

Kindly note that your correspondence dated the 27th February 2021 is considered as registration for the project however, should you have any additional information to provide or any comments please feel free to contact me.

Solomon Lephoto

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Please find attached my completed IAP form. Can you please forward the fully completed application form lodged and supporting documents for the ER application? The Bid information does not disclose all the information with regards to the application.

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that your request has been submitted to the application for their attention. Feedback relating your request for the EA application documentation will be provided as soon as possible. EIMS would like to thank you for your patience in this regard. Furthermore please note that the Scoping Report and associated appendices will be made available in due course. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Jackie Sundae

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Dear Ms Muthukarapan RE: Request for registration as interested and affected parties in the EIA process for the Tosaco Energy Pty Ltd application for environmental authorization for off shore gas of Hondeklipbaa, Northern Cape. I am a researcher at the University of Cape Town, Department of Environmental and Geographical Sciences, One Ocean Hub research project. I am currently working with the Hondeklipbaai community conducting research into the impact of the blue economy on their livelihoods. Please will you kindly register me as an interested and affected party. I trust that you will be alerting the community to the need for them to register and will make it possible for them to register. Many of the community members do not have access to the internet.

Response

Dear Jackie, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that the community was informed of the project during the call to register phase of the project conducted in February 2021. Site Notices were placed within the community, posters were placed where possible at local shops and handouts delivered to community members as far as possible. Adverts were also placed in the local newspapers with adequate distribution in the affected communities. As a registered I&AP, you will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Obakeng Molelu

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

I would to register as an IAP. I am a Blue Economy researcher and interested in the extent of the oil and gas exploration and associated local socio-economic impacts in South Africa.

Response

Thank you for your correspondence with regards to the above mentioned project. Kindly note that you have been registered on the I&AP database for the project. As a registered I&AP you will

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Obakeng Molelu

be provided with the opportunity to comment on the scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Adrian Pole

Date 2021/02/25 Method Email

Comment

Dear Ms Muthukarapan We have been asked by the Green Connection to assist it in participating in this EIA process. The Green Connection is a registered non-governmental organisation that believes that economic growth and development, improvement of socio-economic status and conservation of natural resources can only take place within a commonly understood framework of sustainable development. Green Connection aims to provide practical support to both the government and non-governmental/civil society sectors, which are an integral part of sustainable development. We would be grateful if you could register the Green Connection as an interested and affected party for the purposes of this EIA, and copy us in on any further project information and opportunities for participation.

Response

Dear Mr Adrian, Thank you for your correspondence and apologies for the delay in responding to you. Kindly note that you have been registered on the I&AP database on behalf of your client. As registered I&APs you will be provided with an opportunities to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

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Comment

We refer to our email below, and would be grateful if you could confirm receipt thereof.

Response

My sincere apologies for the delay please can you confirm if you have received my correspondence relating to the confirmation of your registration. Should you have any further queries please feel free to contact EIMS.

Janet Solomon

Date 2021/03/24 Method Email

Comment

Please may I register as an Interested and aAffected Party for the the above-mentioned application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Response

Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered on the project database as an I&AP. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA reports once they become available. Should you have any comments or queries please feel free to contact EIMS.