

APPENDIX C4:  
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# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PHASE**

## Nondumiso Bulunga

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**From:** Rochelle Fortuin <FortuiRo@eskom.co.za> on behalf of WayleavesWesternOU <WayleavesWesternOU@eskom.co.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 June 2022 14:13  
**To:** Wayleaves FSOU  
**Cc:** Savannah Public Process  
**Subject:** FW: [CAUTION:EXTERNAL EMAIL] - SE3212: ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV PROJECT, FREE STATE PROVINCE  
**Attachments:** SE3212-Sannaspos\_PV\_DEIR\_Notification\_Letter-20220624.pdf

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**From:** Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 June 2022 10:58  
**To:** WayleavesWesternOU <WayleavesWesternOU@eskom.co.za>  
**Subject:** [CAUTION:EXTERNAL EMAIL] - SE3212: ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV PROJECT, FREE STATE PROVINCE

ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV PROJECT, FREE STATE PROVINCE  
(DFFE Reference No.:14/12/16/3/3/32/2126)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

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A development footprint of 150 ha in extent is already authorised for the facility but in order to implement the project, an additional footprint of 50ha is required. Both the additional footprint and the authorized area are located within the boundary of 1808 of Besemkop and Farm 2962 of Lejwe.

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**From:** Kumalo Zodwa(BFN) <KumaloZ@dws.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 June 2022 12:05  
**To:** Nel George  
**Cc:** Lenong Pule (BFN); Letloenyane Maureen (BFN); Savannah Public Process  
**Subject:** FW: SE3212: ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV PROJECT, FREE STATE PROVINCE  
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Good day George

Kindly receive email for your information and attention.

*Kind Regards*

Zodwa Kumalo

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Time: 16:41

Company	Last Name	First Name	
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Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Morobane	Johanna	
Aletta Trust	Lenkoe	Lehlohonolo	
Aletta Trust	Ntomane	Moramang	
Aletta Trust	Ntomane	Puseletso	
Aletta Trust	Ntomane	Teballo	
Aletta Trust	Ntomane	Tshidiso	
Alletta Trust	Tsoeunyane	Tshiliso	
Birdlife South Africa	Lewis	Melissa	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston-Paton	Samantha	
Birdlife South Africa	Smit-Robinson	Hanneline	
Citizen Journalist Training Program	Mojalefa	Peter	
Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	Collett	Anneliza	
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development	Info		
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development	Land Claims		
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development	Queries		
Department of Energy	Babuseng	Enid	
Department of Energy	Qase	Nomawethu	
Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries	Essop	Muhammad	
Department of Environmental Affairs	Nkosi	Nyiko	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Buthlezi	Thoko	
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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Langa	Zama	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Lekota	Seoka	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Mahlangu	Julliet Mahlangu	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Maradwa	Ephron	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Mogorosi	Matlhodi	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Smit	Danie	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Masipa	Pheladi	
Department of Public Enterprises	Nkadimeng	Donald	
Department of Roads and Transport	Kgare	T	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Du Toit	Mangalane	
Department of Science and Technology	Kgampe	Mere	
Department of Water Affairs	Starkey	A	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Cloete	Shaun	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mkhize	Sifiso	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Ntili	Tseliso	
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Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State Province	Letloenyane	Maureen	
Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State Province	Musekene	Nkhumeleni	
Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State Province	Nel	George	

Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State Province	Siganunu	Dovhani	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Gibbons	Bradley	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Hoogstad	Constant	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Dominick	Nolan	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Harding	Debbie	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Khanye	Nondwe	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Motsis	Lungi	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Muller	Lianne	
G7 Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd	Fyfe	Veronique	
Generous Trust	Masiu	Ishmael	
Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA)	Ruplal	Praneel	
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Communication Office		
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Mangcotywa	Zolile	
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Manzi	Ntombizanele	
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Phatho	Thembisile	
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Siyonzana	Mxolisi	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Buys	Pieter	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Gxasheka	Andile	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Hlebela	Charles	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Hore	Tamai	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Khumalo	Siphiwe	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Mahlangu	Poppie	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Nzimande	Phindile	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Suza	Mmoni	
National Government: Dept of Water Affairs	Ngele	Nobubele	
National Khoisan Council	Le Fleur	Cecil	
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SAHRA	Ngcatsha	Sityhilelo	
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SANRAL	Botha	Victoria	
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South African Astronomical Observatory	Sefako	Ramotholo	
South African Astronomical Observatory	Whitelock	Patricia	
South African Astronomical Observatory	Williams	Ted	
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South African Weather Services	Magogotya	Zamikhaya	
South African Weather Services	Mofokeng	Puseletso	
South African Weather Services	Ngoepe	Webster	
Sustainable Futures ZA	Johnston	Shawn	
Telkom SA SOC Limited	Telkom SA SOC		



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## Tamryn Lee Goddard

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**From:** EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 18 November 2021 18:29  
**To:** Tamryn Lee Goddard  
**Cc:** Jo-Anne Thomas  
**Subject:** RE: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting  
**Attachments:** april2021application\_meetingrequest.docx

Dear Tamryn.

Please note that we cannot process your application for Pre-Application Meeting as you have used the incorrect form. The form used is dated November 2021 and we have not created or issued a November 2021 form. Kindly advise us where you obtained this form. Please use the correct form (attached) and we will gladly process your request and allocate your application.

Regards

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 16 November 2021 15:26  
**To:** EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>  
**Cc:** Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>  
**Subject:** Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting

Good day,

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Thank you and kind regards,

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**From:** Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 30 November 2021 09:59  
**To:** Tamryn Lee Goddard; Jo-Anne Thomas  
**Cc:** Dr. Danie Smit; Julliet Mahlangu; Ephron Maradwa  
**Subject:** Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - PPP Plan Approval 2021-11-0021

Dear Tamryn

The Public Participation Process (PPP) Plan for the abovementioned project received by this department on 18 November 2021, refer.

The Department has evaluated the Public Participation Plan which is submitted as per Minister Directive dated 05 June 2020 in response to Covid-19 pandemic and the minutes of the pre application meeting hereby approves the plan and minutes for the abovementioned project.

You may proceed with the public participation process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the PPP plan. Should you wish to deviate from the submitted PPP Plan, the amended PPP Plan must be submitted to the Department for approval prior commencement.

Please ensure that the PPP plan forms part of the report that will be submitted to the department. Kindly ensure that all I&APs are consulted as per requirement of EIA Regulations 2014 as amended.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorization being granted by the Department.

Regards,  
Zamalanga

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**From:** EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 November 2021 14:30  
**To:** Julliet Mahlangu <JMMahlangu@dffe.gov.za>  
**Cc:** Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>; Dr. Danie Smit <DSMIT@dffe.gov.za>; Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>; reggie.niemand@engie.com  
**Subject:** 2021-11-0021

Dear Julliet.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

**Type of Application:** Pre-Application Meeting Request;  
**Reference Number:** 2021-11-0021;  
**Date Received:** 18/11/2021;  
**Action Required:** Decide on meeting request.

Kindly let Ephron know which date the meeting is to be held, if it will be set.

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**Cc:** Jo-Anne Thomas <[joanne@savannahsa.com](mailto:joanne@savannahsa.com)>  
**Subject:** FW: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting

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**Subject:** FW: 2021-11-0021  
**Attachments:** Request for Pre-Application for the Engie Sannaspos additional footprint.pdf; 2021-11-0021.pdf

Good Morning

The department acknowledges the receipt of the Pre Application request and have noted that you do not require a meeting.

Please send the public Participation Plan to the department for approval before submitting the application.

Regards  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 January 2022 14:16  
**To:** Mangalane.DuToit@drdlr.gov.za  
**Cc:** queries@drdlr.gov.za; Nondumiso Bulunga  
**Subject:** Sannaspos PV Land Claim Enquiry  
**Attachments:** SE3213- Sannaspos Land Claims Letter final.pdf

Dear Mangalane,

I trust this email finds you well.

Please kindly find attached land claims enquiry for two farm portions in question. We (Savannah Environmental) are currently conducting a full Scoping and EIA process for the development on an additional footprint on these two properties and require confirmation of whether there are land claims against them. This will assist our project team to consult with the relevant claimants as required by the regulatory environmental legislation.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

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12 January 2022

Manager: Department of Rural Development and Land Reform  
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**BASIC ASSESSMENT RPROCESS REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ENVIRONEMNTAL AUTHORISATION OF  
THE ENGIE SANNASPOS PV ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT, FREE STATE PROVINCE**

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ENGIE Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd obtained an Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Sannaspos PV Plant Phase 1 and associated infrastructure, located on Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe, within the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, Free State Province in May 2013 (DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/360). The project has been selected as a Preferred Bidder project under Round 5 of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers Procurement Programme (REIPPPP).

The proposed facility will have a contracted capacity of 75MW (90MW installed capacity) and will include the following infrastructure:

- » PV arrays and inverters
- » Cabling between project components, laid underground as far as possible
- » An on-site 132kV Independent Power Producer (IPP) substation to facilitate the grid connection
- » Internal access roads.
- » Guard house
- » Laydown, Campsite, and assembly area.
- » Office and Control centre.

A developmental footprint of 150 ha in extent is authorised for the facility and associated infrastructure. In order to implement the project, an additional 50ha is required. This additional area is located within the properties assessed for the project.

An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with the environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, GNR 982-985 of 4 December 2014, as amended, a Scoping and EIA is required to be undertaken for the proposed additional footprint and its associated infrastructure.

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the application for EA and undertaking the supporting Scoping and EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the project, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).

Savannah Environmental would like to enquire if there are any land claims against the following farms:

- » Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop
- » Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe

Confirmation of whether there are land claims against the mentioned property will assist our project team to consult with the relevant claimants as required by the regulatory environmental legislation. You may direct any queries to Lehlogonolo Mashego (Reference number SE3212) at:

Lehlogonolo Mashego

**Savannah Environmental**

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Yours sincerely,

Lehlogonolo Mashego

Public Participation and Environmental Consultant

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**Subject:** FW: SE3212: Sannaspos Solar PV: Notification of S&EIA and availability of SR for review and comment  
**Attachments:** SE3212\_-\_Sannaspos\_SR\_Notification\_Letter\_FINAL.pdf; SE3212\_-\_Sannaspos\_SR\_Background\_Information\_Letter\_FINAL.pdf; SE3212\_-\_Comments\_and\_Registration\_Reply\_Form.pdf

Good morning Colleagues,

Mr Nel, your assistance with the attached will be highly appreciated.

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Nicolene,

On behalf of the Provincial Head of the Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State, I hereby would like to acknowledge receipt your e-mail with kindness. The contents are receiving attention. In future, if you do not mind, please send your EIA directly to this office. Mr George Nel is copied here and myself.

***Clean your hands, stay home, keep social distancing and stay safe!***

Thanks and kind regards,

Pule Joseph Lenong (P JL)  
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Good day

Kindly see the email below with the attached documents for your office to provide comments if any.

Kindest regards

Mr Dovhani Siganunu

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Project details are included in the attached letter and the letter also serves to notify you of the availability of the Scoping Report (SR) for review and comment.

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Dear Lizell,

Received with thanks.

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**Cc:** Tamryn Lee Goddard <tamryn@savannahsa.com>  
**Subject:** RE: SE3212: Sannaspos Solar PV: Notification of S&EIA and availability of SR for review and comment

Good day Lehlogonolo,

Please find correction to the letter.

Kind regards



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Good day Lehlogonolo, appreciate your response and confirmation.

Please note the new application procedure, towards any New Endeavor.

Just a correction CAA\_2021\_6\_258, please confirm if information was correctly applied to the approval letter.

Kind regards



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**Subject:** RE: SE3212: Sannaspos Solar PV: Notification of S&EIA and availability of SR for review and comment

Good day Lizell

Attention is drawn to the Conditional Approval for the proposed Sannaspos Solar PV, Ref **CA8/2/Welkom** and **CAA\_2021\_8\_258**.

Please do let us know should there be any additional requirements and/or aspects to be confirmed.

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Good day Lizell

Thank you for the email and raised comments below. Please note that this acts as a formal acknowledgement and that this will be forwarded to the applicant for their attention.

Kind regards



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Good day, Proposal are NOTED, please find new procedure: whereby ATNS provides the required assessment process, kindly lodge your respected proposed project with ATNS, the approval would be issued by SACAA but all correspondence would be done by ATNS..

Kindly follow the new procedures, find contact as per caa website below.

<http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Default.aspx>

<http://www.caa.co.za/Pages/Obstacles/Urgent-notice.aspx>

### **Obstacle Notice 1/2022 – Appointment of New Windfarm and Solar Obstacle Application Service Provider**

Kindly be advised, Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) has been appointed as the Obstacle application Service Provider for Windfarms on 1 May 2021. They will be also responsible for Solar Obstacle Applications from the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2022. All new Solar applications must be lodged to [obstacles@atns.co.za](mailto:obstacles@atns.co.za).

Their responsibility would pertain to the assessments, maintenance, and all other related matters in respect to Windfarms and Solar assessments

The contact details for ATNS is:

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Kind regards



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**To:** Raquel Peters; Tamryn Lee Goddard; Savannah Public Process; Brenda Ton  
**Cc:** Julliet Mahlangu; Salome Mambane  
**Subject:** 14/12/16/3/3/2/2126

Dear Sir/Madam

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE NEW APPLICATION AND DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREA FOR THE AUTHORISED ENGIE SANNASPOS PV FACILITY, IN THE MANGUANG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY IN THE FREE STATE PROVINCE.**

The Department confirms having received the Application form and draft Scoping Report for Environmental Authorisation for the abovementioned project on 04 February 2022. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Kindly note that your application for Environmental Authorisation falls within the ambit of an application applied for in terms of Part 3 of Chapter 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. You are therefore referred to Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended.

Please take note of Regulation 40(3) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that potential Interested & Affected Parties, including the Competent Authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in Regulation 40(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, prior to the submission of an application but **must** be provided an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the Competent Authority.

Note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted by the Department in terms of Regulation 3(7) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.

Kind Regards,  
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### **PER E-MAIL / MAIL**

Dear Ms Thomas

### **ACCEPTANCE OF THE SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREA FOR THE AUTHORISED ENGIE SANNASPOS PV FACILITY, IN THE MANGUANG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY IN THE FREE STATE PROVINCE**

The final Scoping Report (SR) and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated March 2022 and received by the Department on 11 March 2022, refer.

The Department has evaluated the submitted final SR and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated March 2022 and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The FSR is hereby accepted by the Department in terms of Regulation 22(1)(a) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment as required in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

In addition, the following amendments and additional information are required for the EIAR:

#### **(a) Listed Activities**

- (i) The EIAR must provide an assessment of the impacts and mitigation measures for each of the listed activities applied for.
- (ii) The listed activities represented in the EIAR and the application form must be the same and correct.
- (iii) The EIAR must assess the correct sub listed activity for each listed activity applied for.

#### **(b) Public Participation**

- (i) The departments would like to further highlights its comments on the draft SR, more specifically the paragraph pertaining to Regulation 25 (4) which reads as follows "Please be advised that as per

Regulation 25(4), “the competent authority may replace an existing valid environmental authorisation with an environmental authorisation contemplated in this regulation, indicating the extent of replacement in the environmental authorisation, if the existing valid environmental authorisation is directly related to the application for environmental authorisation”.

- (ii) Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the EIAr. This includes but is not limited to the Department of Water and Sanitation, the provincial Department of Agriculture, SANRAL, Local Municipality, the District Municipality, the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS), the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), the Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT), BirdLife SA, the Department of Mineral Resources, the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform, and the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment: Directorate Biodiversity and Conservation.
- (iii) Please ensure that all issues raised and comments received during the circulation of the draft SR and draft EIAr from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the final EIAr. Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final EIAr. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.
- (iv) A Comments and Response trail report (C&R) must be submitted with the final EIAr. The C&R report must incorporate all comments for this development. The C&R report must be a separate document from the main report and the format must be in the table format as indicated in Appendix 1 of this comments letter. Please refrain from summarising comments made by I&APs. All comments from I&APs must be copied verbatim and responded to clearly. Please note that a response such as “noted” is not regarded as an adequate response to I&AP’s comments.
- (v) Comments from I&APs must not be split and arranged into categories. Comments from each submission must be responded to individually.
- (vi) The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulation 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.
- (vii) The EAP is requested to contact the Department to make the necessary arrangements to conduct a site inspection prior to the submission of the final EIAr.

### **(c) Alternatives**

- (i) Please provide a description of each of the preferred alternative type and provide detailed motivation on why it is preferred.

### **(d) Layout & Sensitivity Maps**

- (i) The EIAr must provide the four corner coordinate points for the proposed development site (note that if the site has numerous bend points, at each bend point coordinates must be provided) as well as the start, middle and end point of all linear activities.
- (ii) The EIAr must provide the following:
  - Clear indication of the envisioned area for the proposed additional 50ha in relation to approved Engie Sannaspos Pv Facility; i.e. placing of solar panels and all associated infrastructure should be mapped at an appropriate scale.
  - Clear description of all associated infrastructure. This description must include, but is not limited to the following:
    - Internal roads infrastructure; and;
    - All supporting onsite infrastructure such as laydown area, guard house and control room etc.
    - All necessary details regarding all possible locations and sizes of the proposed satellite substation and the main substation.



- (iii) A copy of the final preferred route layout map and or **consolidated layout map** as per point F(iii) below. All available biodiversity information must be used in the finalisation of the layout map. Existing infrastructure must be used as far as possible e.g. roads. The layout map must indicate the following:
- Permanent laydown area footprint;
  - Internal roads indicating width (construction period width and operation period width) and with numbered sections between the other site elements which they serve (to make commenting on sections possible);
  - Wetlands, drainage lines, rivers, stream and water crossing of roads and cables indicating the type of bridging structures that will be used;
  - The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g. CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected by the facility and its associated infrastructure;
  - Substation(s) and/or transformer(s) sites including their entire footprint;
  - Location of access and service roads;
  - Connection routes (including pylon positions) to the distribution/transmission network;
  - All existing infrastructure on the site, especially railway lines and roads;
  - Buffer areas;
  - Buildings, including accommodation; and
  - All “no-go” areas.
- (iv) An environmental sensitivity map indicating environmental sensitive areas and features identified during the assessment process.
- (v) A map combining the final layout map (**for both the authorised facility and the additional 50ha**) superimposed (overlain) on the environmental sensitivity map.

#### **(e) Specialist assessments**

- (i) The EAP must ensure that the terms of reference for all the identified specialist studies must include the following:
- A detailed description of the study’s methodology; indication of the locations and descriptions of the development footprint, and all other associated infrastructures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisations.
  - Provide a detailed description of all limitations to the studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation will not be allowed.
  - Please note that the Department considers a ‘no-go’ area, as an area where no development of any infrastructure is allowed; therefore, no development of associated infrastructure including access roads is allowed in the ‘no-go’ areas.
  - Should the specialist definition of ‘no-go’ area differ from the Departments definition; this must be clearly indicated. The specialist must also indicate the ‘no-go’ area’s buffer if applicable.
  - **All specialist studies must be final, and provide detailed/practical mitigation measures for the preferred alternative and recommendations, and must not recommend further studies to be completed post EA.**
  - Should a specialist recommend specific mitigation measures, these must be clearly indicated.
  - The list of specialist studies indicated in the background information letter that is attached as Appendix C3 of the Public Participation Process Report will be regarded as the ones that will be undertaken as part of the EIA phase.
  - Regarding cumulative impacts:
    - Clearly defined cumulative impacts and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e. hectares of cumulatively transformed land.
    - A detailed process flow to indicate how the specialist’s recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.

- Identified cumulative impacts associated with the proposed development must be rated with the significance rating methodology used in the process.
  - The significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.
  - A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.
- (ii) Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.
- (iii) Please be reminded that section 2(3) of NEMA requires developments to be socially, environmentally and *economically* sustainable, while section 2(4)(i) of NEMA requires the social, *economic* and environmental impacts of activities, including disadvantages and benefits, to be considered, assessed and evaluated
- (iv) The following Specialist Assessments will form part of the EIAr:

<b>Specialist Study</b>	<b>Company</b>
Heritage Assessment	Jenna Lavin
Wetland and Biodiversity	Andrew Husted
Terrestrial ecology and botany	Martinus Erasmus
Wetland and ecosystem services, hydrogeology and pedology	Ivan Baker

**(f) Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)**

- (i) Please ensure that the mitigation measures specified in the EIAr and specialist reports are also incorporated into the EMPr. In addition, ensure that the EMPr complies with the content of the EMPr in terms of Appendix 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.
- (ii) Please also include in the EMPr, a recommended frequency for the auditing of compliance with the conditions of the EA and EMPr, and for the submission of such compliance reports to the competent authority.
- (iii) Should the applicant wish to consolidate the two EAs, (which the department strongly recommends and supports, subject to a positive environmental authorisation being obtained), as per Regulation 25 (4) then the following information will need to be provided and or included when submitting the EIAr:
- A consolidated draft EMPr; and
  - A consolidated layout Map (which will include the additional 50ha).

**(g) General**

- (i) The EIAr must provide the technical details for the proposed facility in a table format as well as their description and/or dimensions. A sample for the minimum information required is listed under Annexure 2 below.
- (ii) Details of the future plans for the site and infrastructure after decommissioning in 20-30 years and the possibility of upgrading the proposed infrastructure to more advanced technologies must be indicated.
- (iii) Should a Water Use License be required, proof of application for a license needs to be submitted.
- (iv) The EAP must provide landowner consent for all farm portions affected by the proposed project, whether the project component is linear or not, i.e. all farm portions where the access road, solar panels and associated infrastructure is to be located.
- (v) A construction and operational phase EMPr that includes mitigation and monitoring measures must be submitted with the final EIAr.

The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of Regulation 45 of GN R982 of 04 December 2014, as amendment, with regard to the time period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours faithfully



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**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment**

**Signed by: Ms Nyiko Nkosi**

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## Annexure 1

Format for Comments and Response Trail Report:

<b>Date of comment, format of comment name of organisation/I&amp;AP</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Response from EAP/Applicant/Specialist</b>
27/01/2016 Email Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries: Priority Infrastructure Projects (John Doe)	Please record C&R trail report in this format  Please update the contact details of the provincial environmental authority	EAP: (Noted) The C&R trail report has been updated into the desired format, see Appendix K  EAP: Details of provincial authority have been updated, see page 16 of the Application form

## Annexure 2: Sample of technical details for the proposed facility

<b>Component</b>	<b>Description / dimensions</b>
Height of PV panels	
Area of PV Array	
Number of inverters required	
Area occupied by inverter / transformer stations / substations	
Capacity of on-site substation	
Area occupied by both permanent and construction laydown areas	
Area occupied by buildings	
Length of internal roads	
Width of internal roads	
Proximity to grid connection	
Height of fencing	
Type of fencing	