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24 March 2016

Dear Stakeholder

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

# PROPOSED MAJUBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY NEAR AMERSFOORT, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE (DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/752)

# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT EIA REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND PUBLIC MEETING

**Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd** proposes the establishment of a 65MW photovoltaic (PV) solar energy facility and associated infrastructure on a site within the boundary of the Majuba Coal Fired Power Station, approximately 15km southwest of Amersfoort and 40km northwest of Volksrust in the Mpumalanga Province on portions 1, 2 and 6 of the farm Witkoppies 81 HS, within the jurisdiction of Gert Sibande District Municipality and the Dr. Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Local Municipality. The facility is proposed to include several arrays of PV solar panels with a net generating capacity of up to 65MW.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

In terms of sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No 107 of 1998), as read with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of GN R543 – R546 (as amended), a Scoping and EIA process is required to be undertaken for the project. Eskom Holdings SOC Limited requires authorisation from the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) (in consultation with the Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (DEDET)) for the undertaking of the proposed project. In order to obtain authorisation, comprehensive, independent environmental studies must be undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations. As such, the project as well as the associated infrastructure has been registered with the National DEA under following application reference number: 14/12/16/3/3/2/752).

# **AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT EIA REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW**

A Draft EIA Report for the proposed Majuba Solar Energy Facility has been prepared by Savannah Environmental and is available for a **30-day** review period. The review period is from **24 March 2016 – 26 April 2016.** You are invited to view the report at the following locations:

UNIT 10, BUILDING 2, S WOODLANDS DRIVE OFFICE PARK, CNR. WOODLANDS DRIVE & WESTERN SERVICE ROAD, WOODMEAD, JOHANNESBURG
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- » Amersfoort Library
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The report is also available for download at www.savannahsa.com.

Please submit comments to Savannah Environmental before or on **26 April 2016**. Comments must be made as a written submission via fax, post or email.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Following the release of the Draft EIA Report, a public meeting has been convened to facilitate comments on the report. Details of the meeting are as follows:

Date:	Thursday, 07 April 2016
Time:	17:00 (5PM)
Venue:	Ezamokuhle Community Hall, Ezamokuhle, Mpumalanga

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide you with more information regarding the proposed project (including technical details, project process and timeframes etc.), to provide a summary of the findings of the Draft EIA Report, to invite comment on the proposed project, and to further discuss possible issues of specific concern to you which may need to be addressed. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require additional information and/or clarification regarding the proposed project.

Our team welcomes your participation and looks forward to your involvement throughout this process.

Kind Regards

MRS GABRIELE WOOD
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND SOCIAL CONSULTANT
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Kind regards

**Mrs Gabriele Wood** 

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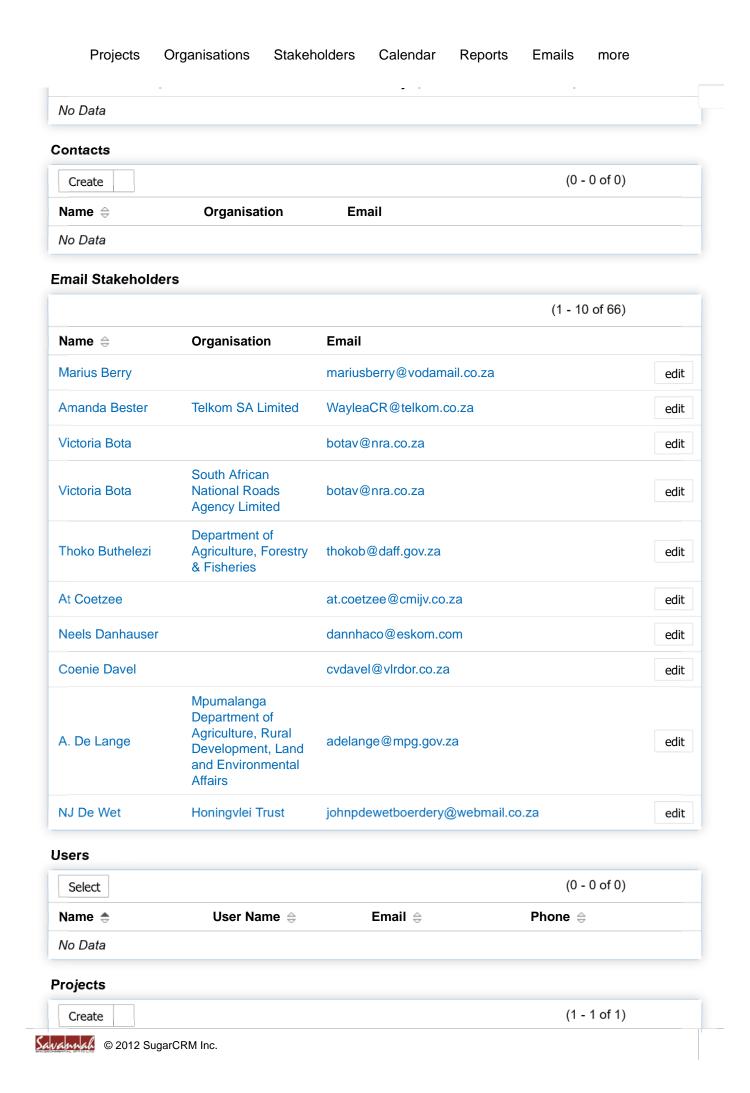
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