

## PROCESS NOTICES

14 October 2020

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and/or Affected Party,

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 132KV OVERHEAD POWER LINE ASSOCIATED WITH THE HYPERION HYBRID FACILITY (THERMAL FACILITY AND PV FACILITIES), NEAR KATHU, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

**NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

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The proposed grid connection infrastructure will be located approximately 10km north of Kathu within the Gamagara Local Municipality which falls within jurisdiction of the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality, Northern Cape Province, and will traverse the following two (2) properties:

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## **BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

As per the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No 107 of 1998), the proponent will require authorisation from the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) (in consultation with Northern Cape Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform for the development of the project. In terms of Section 24(5) of NEMA, the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended), the Government Notice (R114) and Listing Notices (GNR 327, GNR 325, and GNR 324), the application for Environmental Authorisation is subject to the completion of Basic Assessment (BA) process. The application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

The proponent has appointed Savannah Environmental, as the independent environmental consultant, to undertake the BA for the project to identify and assess all potential environmental impacts associated with the project and recommend appropriate mitigation measures in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr). As part of the environmental studies, Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) will be actively involved through the public involvement process being undertaken by Savannah Environmental.

You and/or the organisation, which you represent, have been identified as an I&AP for the proposed project as described above. A background information document, which provides further information on the BA process as well as the nature and extent of the proposed grid connection, is attached to this letter and is also available for download from the Savannah Environmental Website: <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/hyperion-132kv-grid-connection-infrastructure/>.

## **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS**

The public participation (PP) process will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326). The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the proposed project is made available to potential stakeholders and I&APs
- » participation by I&APs is facilitated in such a manner that all potential stakeholders and I&APs are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed project; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

The restrictions enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096 which placed the country in a national state of disaster limiting the movement and gathering of people to curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus has placed some limitations on how public consultation can be conducted as part of a BA process. The consultation process for these projects has been designed considering these limitations, and the implementation is in line with our public participation plan (PP Plan), as approved by the DEA. Our PP Plan is in compliance with the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) Directions issued on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2020. One of our approved consultation methods is for you

to visit our online stakeholder engagement platform, register your interest in the project/s, and view project documentation: visit <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/hyperion-132kv-grid-connection-infrastructure/>

Alternative means of undertaking consultation have been designed to ensure that I&APs are afforded sufficient opportunity to raise comments on the project, predominately through an interactive web-based platform readily available and accessible to any person with interest in the project, enabling the public participation process to be undertaken in line with Regulations 41 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. This online stakeholder engagement platform allows the EAP to visually present details regarding the project and our consultation documentation, including project maps and plans, presentations and posters regarding the project, and reports available for review. The use of online tools enables stakeholders and I&APs to explore the project-specific content in their own time, and allows participation in the consultation process in a meaningful way. The online platform allows for instant feedback and comments to be submitted, in so doing saving time for the stakeholder and also giving the assurance that their comments have been submitted for inclusion in the project reporting.

The benefits of the online stakeholder engagement platform include:

- » Ability to create a dedicated project-specific online platform to enable easy access to project-related information.
- » Ability to reach a wider audience, allowing more widespread consultation for major infrastructure projects.
- » Allowing stakeholders and I&APs the opportunity to engage on a project without leaving their office or home.
- » Enabling stakeholders and I&APs to register their interest in a project (for inclusion on the project database), and automatically gaining access to comprehensive project documentation.
- » Enabling the EAP to maintain a complete database of I&APs through maintaining a record of persons accessing the online stakeholder consultation platform.
- » Enabling the EAP and stakeholders/I&APs to meet virtually.
- » Provides a resilient solution to a public consultation process.

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities or access to internet, provision has been made to include these I&APs in the consultation process by consulting with the Ward Councillor, the ward committee members, community representatives and local community forum members.

Should you have an interest in the project, please register yourself as an I&AP on our online stakeholder engagement platform (<https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/hyperion-132kv-grid-connection-infrastructure/>) or by completing and returning the attached stakeholder registration/comment form. By registering on the project database, you will be kept informed of the BA process being undertaken for the project and will be provided with an opportunity to provide comment and input.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require additional information and/or clarification regarding the project. Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout this process.

Kind regards

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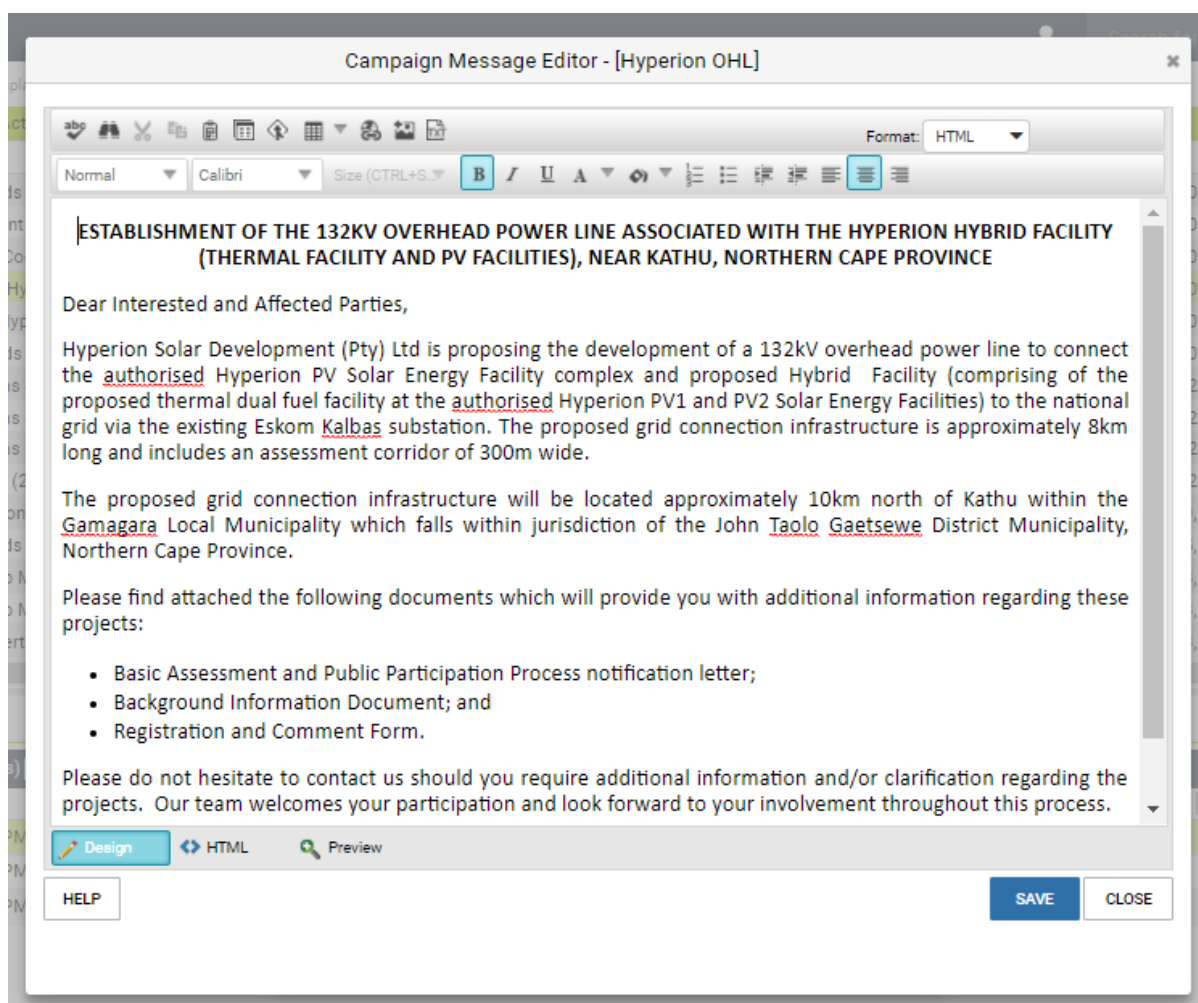
**Nicolene Venter**

Public Participation and Social Consultant

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**Attached:** Background Information Document  
Registration and Comment Form

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# Proof of email - Hyperion 132kV Overhead Power Line: Notification of Basic Assessment and Public Participation Process

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Company	Last Name	First Name	
	Burger	Jan & Linda	
	Burger	Linda	
	Burger	Sakkie	
	Burger	Schalk	
	Knoesen	Thomas	
	Nel	Jurie	
	Spangenberg	Gerrit	
	Steyn	Nico	
	Vorster	Johan	
African Farmers Association of South Africa	Mahlati	Vuyo	
Agri Northern Cape	Jansen	Nicol	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe	
Anglo American	Hlophe	Thokozani	
Anglo American	Mayer	Brenda	
Anglo American	Thokozani	Hlope	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston Paton	Samantha	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston-Paton	Samantha	
Bokkie Robinson Familie Trust	Robinson	Rupert	
Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Buthelezi	Thoko	
Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Mans	Jacoline	
Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Marubini	Mashudu	
Department of Energy	Masipa	Pheladi	
Department of Energy	Qase	Nomawethu	
Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries	Lekota	Seoka	
Department of Mineral Resources	Kika	Ntsikelelo	
Department of Mineral Resources	Mabaso	Sunday	
Department of Mineral Resources	Mutheiwana	Kevin	
Department of Mineral Resources	Nieuwoudt	Jasper	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Maphinda	Mthetheleli	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Makgalemele	Nozizwe	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Moeketsi	Kgotso	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Cloete	Shaun	
Department of Water and	Mahunonyane	Moses	

Sanitation			
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mokhoantle	Lerato	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shibambu	Steven	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shibambu	Steven	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Streuders	Kobus	
Earthlife Africa	Lekalakala (Secretary)	Makoma	
Earthlife Africa	Mokhine	Zini	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Hoogstad	Constant	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Henning	Wimpie	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Khanye	Nondwe	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	van Gensen	Andrea	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Bitsangk	Lebo	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Bob	Jerome	
Gamagara Local Municipality	De Wee	Janine	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Estavao	Domingos	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Fleming	Kathy	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Itumeleng	Thusoeng	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Lekgadi	Boitumelo	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Leserwane	Kgomodikae	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Magagane	Neo	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Moroe	Anna	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Nqume	Frikkie	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Orpen	Monica	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Ositang	Kagiso	
Gamagara Local Municipality	Velishea	Charlott	
GTC Project Management (Pty) Ltd	Alberto		
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Eilerd	Moses	
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Leserwane	Dineo	
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Molale	MG	
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Molaole	Disang	
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Mosikatse	Sofia	
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality	Tongwane	T	
Kalahari Bulletin	Prins	Lecrecia	
Kathu Public Library	Tsalao	Theodore	
Loubser Familie Trust	Loubser	Cecilia	
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (N Cape Prov Heritage Resource Authority)	Ratha	Timothy	
Northern Cape DENC	Cloete	Peter	
Northern Cape DENC	van Heerden	Denver	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Diteme	Ali	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Mothibi	Wonders Dimakatso Viljoen	
Northern Cape Department of Environment & Nature Conservation	Fisher	Bryan	
Northern Cape Department of	Swart	Eslabe	



Environment & Nature Conservation			
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	Ndzumo	Onwabile	
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	Swart	Elsabe	
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	Uys	Natalie	
Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works	Nogwili	Kholikile	
Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works	Palm	Ruth	
Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works	Roelofse	Jaco	
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Badenhorst	Dewald	
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	De la Fontaine	Samantha	
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Fisher	Bryan	
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Moleko	Dineo	
Northern Cape Economic Development Agency	Mbobobo	Babalwa	
PNP Trust	Hager	Henrietta	
Saansveld Boerdery Bk	van Heerden	Andr�	
Saansveld Boerdery Bk	van Heerden	Andre	
Saansveld Boerdery Bk	van Heerden	Karl	
Saltrim Rances	Venter	Hendrik	
Sentech Ltd	Motlhake	Serame	
Sishen Iron Ore Company (Pty) Ltd	Voigt	Werner	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Mukoki	Alan	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Wadi	Albert	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Stroh	Lizell	
South African Department of Defence	Zondi	Lt. Col. Kebasenosi	
South African National Roads Agency Limited	Abrahams	Nicole	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Matlhane	Selaelo	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Sithole	Busang	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Tiplady	Adrian	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Bester	Amanda	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Shaw	Leonard	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Mcleod	Dylan	

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26 October 2020

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	Burger	Linda	
	Burger	Sakkie	
	Burger	Schalk	
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	Meyer	Alberto	
	Nel	Jurie	
	Spangenberg	Gerrit	
	Steyn	Nico	
	Vorster	Johan	
Altech Netstar	Swart	Frans	
Anglo American	Hlophe	Thokozani	
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Royal Chaka Minerals (Pty) Ltd	Chaka	Thabo	
Saansveld Boerdery Bk	van Heerden	Andr�	
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## KEY STAKEHOLDERS

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Dear Key Stakeholder,

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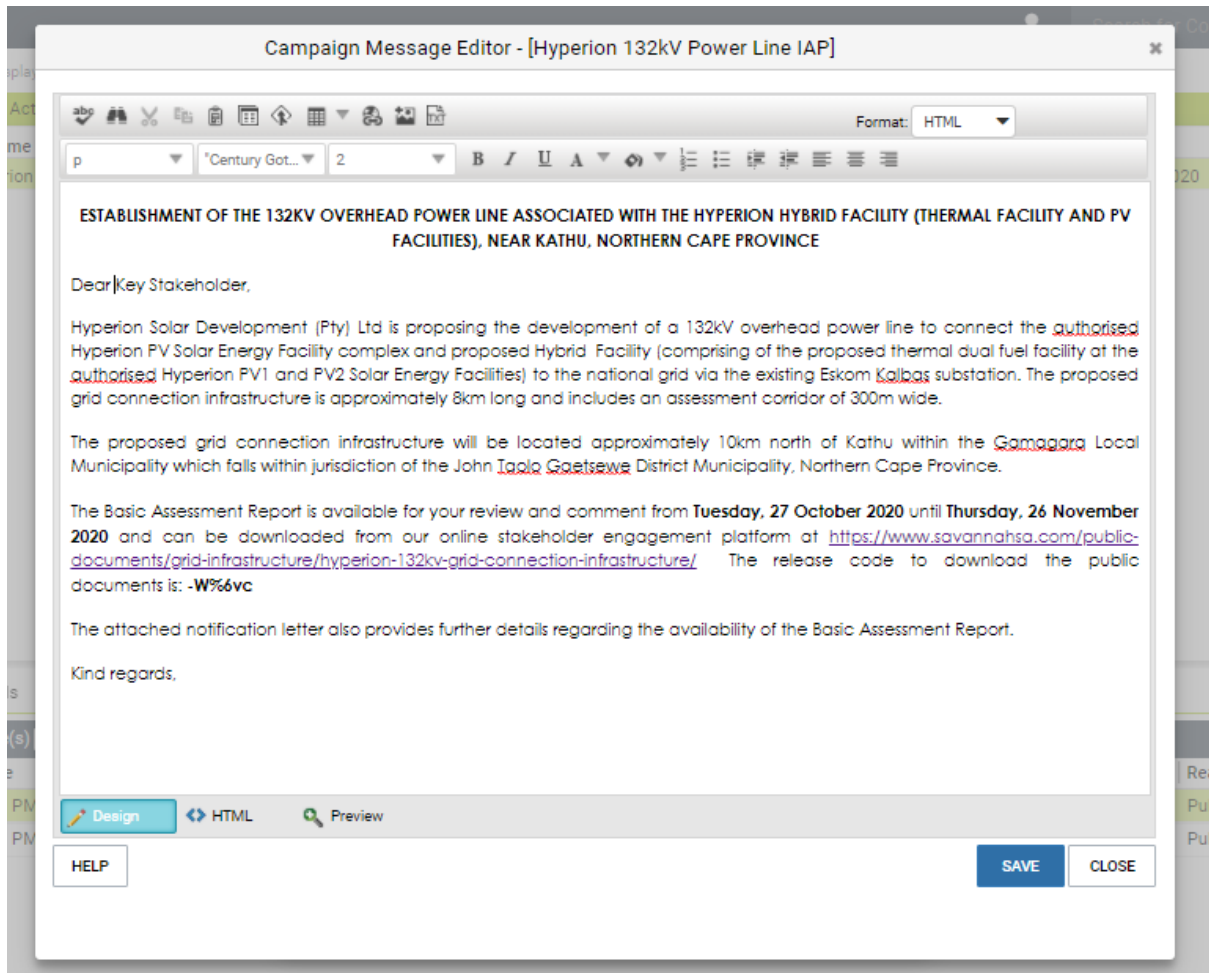


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African Farmers Association of South Africa	Mahlati	Vuyo	
Agri Northern Cape	Bredenkamp	Jim	
Agri Northern Cape	Jansen	Nicol	
Agri Northern Cape	Loubscher	Elias	
Agri SA	Liebenberg	Thea	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston Paton	Samantha	
Cell C	Joubert	Brian	
Cell C	Kasseepursad	Harish	
Cell C	Otto	Marius	
Earthlife Africa	Lekalakala (Secretary)	Makoma	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Hoogstad	Constant	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Bergh	S	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Henning	Wimpie	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Khanye	Nondwe	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	van Gensen	Andrea	
MTN	Nel	Renier	
Sentech Ltd	Motlhake	Serame	
Sishen Iron Ore Company (Pty) Ltd	Hager	Hannes	
Sishen Iron Ore Company (Pty) Ltd	Voigt	Werner	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Mukoki	Alan	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Wadi	Albert	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Stroh	Lizell	
South African Police Services	De Reuck	A	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Matlhane	Selaelo	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Monama	Tshegofatso	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Sithole	Busang	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Tiplady	Adrian	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Bester	Amanda	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Shaw	Leonard	
Transnet Freight Rail	Maharaj	Verishnee	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Kilian	Geraldine	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Mcleod	Dylan	
Vodacom	Barnard	Hennie	
Vodacom	Fourie	Nico	
Weather SA	Jardine	Rydall	

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## Hyperion 132kV Grid Connection Infrastructure

### Establishment of 132kV Grid Connection Infrastructure for the Hyperion Thermal Hybrid Facility Near Kathu, Northern Cape Province

Applicant: Hyperion Solar Development (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: The development of a 132kV overhead power line to connect the authorised Hyperion PV Solar Energy Facility complex and proposed Hybrid Thermal Power Facility to the national grid via the Kalbas substation. The proposed grid connection infrastructure is 7.75km long and includes an assessment corridor of 300m wide.

Location: The proposed 132kV overhead power line will be located approximately 22km north of Kathu within the Gamagara Local Municipality which falls within jurisdiction of the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality, Northern Cape Province and will cross Remainder of the Farm Kathu 465 and Portion 1 of the Farm Selsden 464.

Basic Assessment Process: In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 - R327, as amended, a Basic Assessment (BA) is required for the Environmental Authorisation of this project. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required BA and public participation process for the project.

BA Report Available for Review: A BA Report is available for review and comment. The report can be viewed at <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-connection-infrastructure/hyperion-132kv-grid-connection-infrastructure/> from 21 October 2020 - 21 November 2020. The due date for written comment is 21 November 2020.

Public Participation Process: Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for undertaking the BA and Public Participation processes in support of these applications for EA. To obtain further information on the projects and to register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project as per the details below.

Consultation Meetings: Consultation meetings will be held with relevant I&APs and stakeholders via an appropriate forum during the review period. Should you wish to be included in these meetings or receive further information on the project please contact us as per the details below

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