

PROPOSED ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY
COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT: I&APs & STAKEHOLDERS
Comments Received

No.	Issue	Raised by	Response
General			
1	We welcome developments of this nature in De Aar. We need all the new development to make this town sustainable once more.	Rienest Brand: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.	Comment noted.
Public Participation			
2	Thank you for the copy of the draft scoping report. We will study the report and make comments in conjunction with the office of the Emanthanjeni municipal manager's office.	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	Comment noted.
3	Has the municipal manager received the draft scoping reports as well?	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	The report was hand delivered to the municipal manager.
4	Where has the scoping report been released for the local community to review?	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	The report was placed in the main library in De Aar and at the Emthanjeni Local Municipality offices.
5	Give us the opportunity to review the scoping report and make comments. These will be submitted in conjunction with all other Emthanjeni Municipal comments.	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	Noted.
6	Have you spoken to the Pixley ka Seme District Municipality?	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	Focus group meetings were set up with the Pixley ka Seme District Municipality and report provided to them.

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7	<p>Thank you for delivering the draft scoping report for the Solar Capital Ilanga Lethemba PV solar energy facility to the Pixley ka Seme District Municipality. We are currently reviewing the reports for a number of solar and wind energy facilities within our district.</p> <p>We will try our best to comment were possible.</p>	<p>Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
8	<p>Would you be interested to come and brief the full new Pixley ka Seme District council after the local government elections?</p>	<p>Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>Will be arranged with the municipality.</p>
9	<p>We welcome your information sharing.</p>	<p>Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
10	<p>I would like to remind everyone present that the draft scoping report is available for comment and all comments need to be sent to me at the contact details as on the background information document.</p>	<p>Shawn Johnston: Process Facilitator, comment at De Aar public meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
11	<p>Have you managed to contact all the neighbouring farms?</p>	<p>Jaco du Plessis: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>Landowners have been contacted and a landowner map showing landowners contacted produced.</p>
Visual Impacts			
12	<p>Will there be any major visual impacts from this solar energy facility?</p>	<p>Rienest Brand: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.</p>	<p>The Scoping Visual Impact assessment has identified potential visual receptors however this will be confirmed in the EIA phase based on the proposed layout to be produced.</p>

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Heritage			
13	There are no heritage sites on the farm, only a family graveyard that can be avoided as it has a wall around it.	Jaco du Plessis: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.	Noted.
Cleaning of solar panels			
14	How will the panels be cleaned?	Rienest Brand: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.	The developer is proposing utilising air or a dry cleaning methods
Maps			
Transmission Integration			
15	Are you consulting with the local Eskom team about transmission integration?	Patrick Tshame: Emthanjeni Municipality De Aar, comment at focus group meeting, 11 May 2011.	Solar Capital is engaging with Eskom
16	Does the Hydra substation have the capacity to receive the power from this proposed project?	Rienest Brand: Resident De Aar, comment at De Aar Public Meeting, 12 May 2011.	Eskom's Hydra substation has the necessary capacity.
Jobs			
17	We would be keen to know what the job creation, direct and indirect investment by Solar Capital would be in the area around De Aar.	Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.	This will be clarified in the full environmental impact assessment study.
18	How much of the components for this project will be manufactured in South Africa.	Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.	The developers are currently clarifying this matter. We hope to have more clarity during the environmental impact assessment phase.

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19	Are you aware of all the other proposed wind and solar energy facilities in the area of De Aar?	Sandisile Madyo: Local Economic Development Manager, comment at focus group meeting, 12 May 2011.	No not all of them, we are however working on three propsoed solar energy facilities in the area.