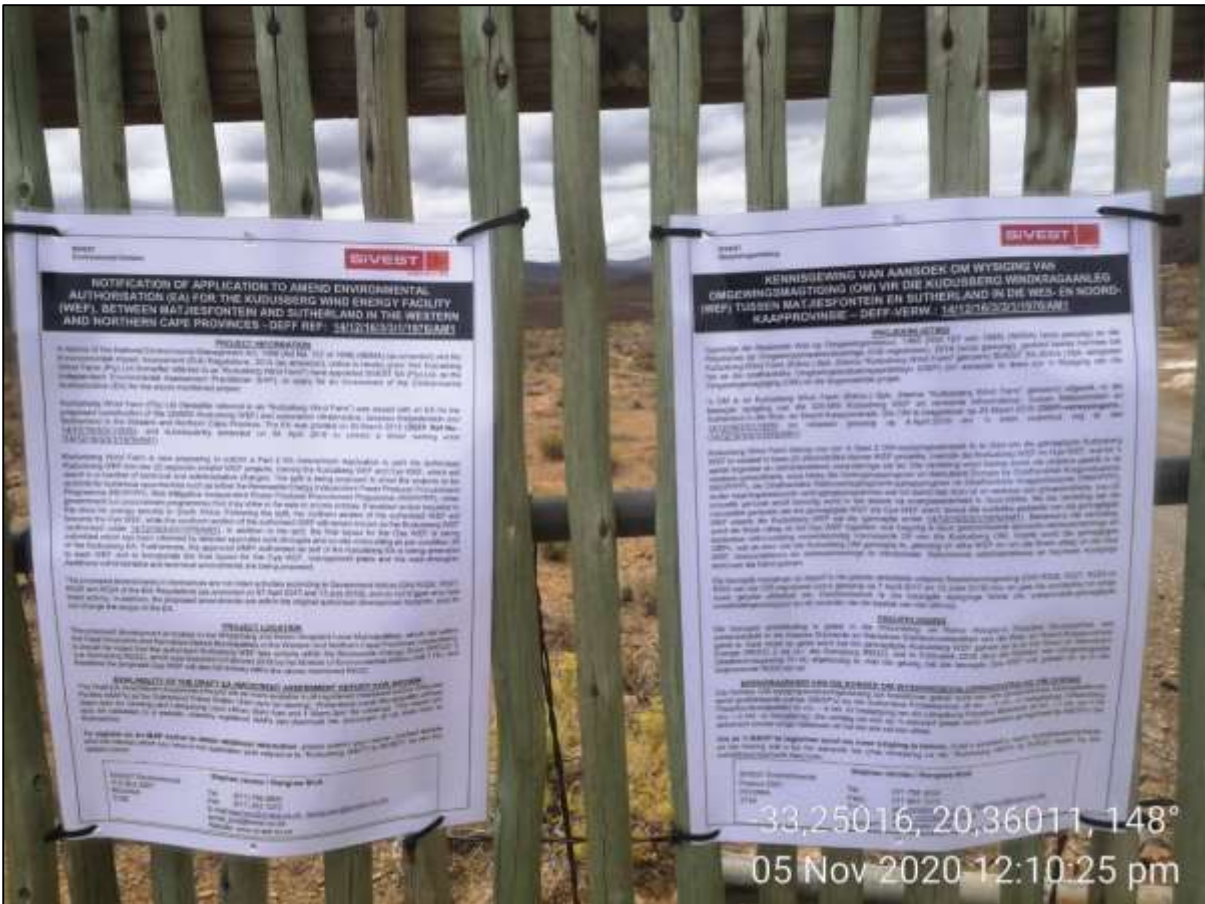


SITE NOTICES (ENGLISH AND AFRIKAANS) ERECTED ON ONE (1) OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE AFFECTED PROPERTIES (PORTION 1 OF THE FARM GATS RIVIER NO 156)

(COORDINATES: 32°53'31.56"S; 20°13'4.74"E)



NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION TO AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) FOR THE KUDUSBERG WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF), BETWEEN MATJIESFONTEIN AND SUTHERLAND IN THE WESTERN AND NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCES - DEFF REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1

PROJECT INFORMATION

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), notice is hereby given that Kudusberg Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd (hereafter referred to as "Kudusberg Wind Farm") have appointed SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), to apply for an Amendment of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above mentioned project.

Kudusberg Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd (hereafter referred to as "Kudusberg Wind Farm") was issued with an EA for the proposed construction of the 325MW Kudusberg WEF) and associated infrastructure, between Matjiesfontein and Sutherland in the Western and Northern Cape Provinces. The EA was granted on 25 March 2019 (**DEFF Ref No.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/1976**), and subsequently amended on 04 April 2019 to correct a minor naming error (14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1).

Kudusberg Wind Farm is now proposing to submit a Part 2 EA Amendment Application to split the authorised Kudusberg WEF into two (2) separate smaller WEF projects, namely the Kudusberg WEF and Oya WEF, which will result in a number of technical and administrative changes. The split is being proposed to allow the projects to be suitable for numerous opportunities such as either the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP), Risk Mitigation Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (RMIPPPP), other government run procurement programmes that may arise or for sale to private entities, if enabled and/or required in the drive for energy security in South Africa. Following the split, the northern section of the authorised WEF will become the Oya WEF, while the southern section of the authorised WEF will remain known as the Kudusberg WEF (authorised under 14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1). In addition to the split, the final layout for the Oya WEF is being submitted which has been informed by detailed specialist walk-throughs and on-site micro-siting as per condition 29 of the Kudusberg EA. Furthermore, the approved EMPr authorised as part of the Kudusberg EA is being amended to each WEF and to incorporate the final layout for the Oya WEF, management plans and the walk-throughs. Additional administrative and technical amendments are being proposed.

The proposed amendments in themselves are not listed activities according to Government Notice (GN) R326, R327, R325 and R324 of the EIA Regulations (as amended on 07 April 2017 and 13 July 2018), and do not trigger any new listed activity. In addition, the proposed amendments are within the original authorised development footprint, and do not change the scope of the EA.

PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed development is located in the Witzenberg and Karoo Hoogland Local Municipalities, which fall within the Cape Winelands and Namakwa District Municipalities of the Western and Northern Cape Provinces respectively. It should be noted that the authorised Kudusberg WEF falls entirely within the Renewable Energy Zone (REDZ) 2 (i.e. Komsberg REDZ), which was Gazetted in February 2018 by the Minister of Environmental Affairs (GN 114), and therefore the proposed Oya WEF will also fall entirely within the above-mentioned REDZ.

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT EA AMENDMENT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR REVIEW

The Draft EA Amendment Assessment Report will be made available to all registered Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) at the Sutherland Police Station (8am-5pm for viewing), Witzenberg Local Municipality offices (8am-4pm for viewing) and Laingsburg Local Library (9am-1pm and 1:30pm-3pm for viewing). The report will also be uploaded to a website, whereby registered I&APs can download the document at no data cost to themselves.

To register as an I&AP and/or to obtain additional information, please submit your name, contact details and the interest which you have in the application (with reference to "*Kudusberg WEF*") to SiVEST as per the details below:

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KENNISGEWING VAN AANSOEK OM WYSIGING VAN OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING (OM) VIR DIE KUDUSBERG WINDKRAGAAANLEG (WEF) TUSSEN MATJIESFONTEIN EN SUTHERLAND IN DIE WES- EN NOORD- KAAPPROVINSIE – DEFF-VERW.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1

PROJEKINLIGTING

Ingevolge die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur, 1998 (Wet 107 van 1998) (NEMA) (soos gewysig) en die Regulasies op Omgewingsimpakevaluering (OIE-regulasies), 2014 (soos gewysig), geskied kennis hiermee dat Kudusberg Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk. (hierna “Kudusberg Wind Farm” genoem) SiVEST SA (Edms.) Bpk. aangestel het as die onafhanklike Omgewingsevalueringpraktisyn (OEP) om aansoek te doen om ’n Wysiging van die Omgewingsmagtiging (OM) vir die bogenoemde projek.

’n OM is vir Kudusberg Wind Farm (Edms.) Bpk. (hierna “Kudusberg Wind Farm” genoem) uitgereik vir die beoogde oprigting van die 325 MW Kudusberg WEF en verwante infrastruktuur, tussen Matjiesfontein en Sutherland in die Wes- en Noord-Kaapprovinsie. Die OM is toegestaan op 25 Maart 2019 (**DEFF-verwysingsno.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/1976**) en intussen gewysig op 4 April 2019 om ’n klein naamfout reg te stel (**14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1**).

Kudusberg Wind Farm beoog nou om ’n Deel 2 OM-wysigingsaansoek in te dien om die gemagtigde Kudusberg WEF te verdeel in twee (2) afsonderlike kleiner WEF-projekte, naamlik die Kudusberg WEF en Oya WEF, wat tot ’n aantal tegniese en administratiewe veranderinge sal lei. Die verdeling word beoog sodat die projekte geskik is vir verskeie geleenthede, soos hetsy die Verkrygingsprogram vir Hernubare Energie by Onafhanklike Kragprodusente (REIPPPP), die Onafhanklike Risikoversagtingsverkrygingsprogram vir Onafhanklike Kragprodusente (RMIPPPP), ander regeringsbestuurde verkrygingsprogramme wat tot stand kan kom of vir verkoop aan privaate titeite, sou dit moontlik gemaak en/of benodig word in die strewe na energiesekerheid in Suid-Afrika. Ná die verdeling sal die noordelike gedeelte van die gemagtigde WEF die Oya WEF word, terwyl die suidelike gedeelte van die gemagtigde WEF steeds die Kudusberg WEF sal bly (gemagtig onder **14/12/16/3/3/1/1976/AM1**). Benewens die verdeling, word die finale uitleg vir die Oya WEF ingedien, wat toegelig is deur gedetailleerde spesialis-veldwaarnemings en terplaatsse mikro-plasing ooreenkomstig Voorwaarde 29 van die Kudusberg OM. Voorts word die gemagtigde OBPv, wat as deel van die Kudusberg OM gemagtig is, gewysig vir elke WEF en om die finale uitleg vir die Oya WEF, bestuursplanne en veldwaarnemings te inkorporeer. Bykomende administratiewe en tegniese wysigings word aan die hand gedoen

Die beoogde wysigings op sigself is nie gelyste aktiwiteite volgens Staatskennisgewing (GN) R326, R327, R325 en R324 van die OIE-regulasies (soos gewysig op 7 April 2017 en 13 Julie 2018) nie, en gee nie aanleiding tot enige nuwe gelyste aktiwiteit nie. Daarbenewens is die beoogde wysigings binne die oorspronklik-gemagtigde ontwikkelingsvoetspoor en dit verander nie die bestek van die OM nie.

PROJEKLISSING

Die beoogde ontwikkeling is geleë in die Witzenberg- en Karoo Hoogland Plaaslike Munisipaliteit, wat onderskeidelik in die Kaapse Wynlande en Namakwa Distriksmunisipaliteit van die Wes- en Noord-Kaapprovinsie geleë is. Daar moet op gelet word dat die gemagtigde Kudusberg WEF geheel en al in die Sone vir Hernubare Energie (REDZ) 2 val (d.i. die Komsberg REDZ), wat in Februarie 2018 deur die Minister van Omgewingsake (Staatskennisgewing R114) afgekondig is, met die gevolg dat die beoogde Oya WEF ook geheel en al in die bogenoemde REDZ sal val.

BESKIKBAARHEID VAN DIE KONSEP OM-WYSIGINGSEWALUERINGSVERSLAG VIR OORSIG

Die Konsep OM-wysigingsewaleringsverslag sal beskikbaar gestel word aan alle geregistreerde belangstellende en/of geaffekteerde partye (B&GP’s) by die Sutherland Polisiekantoor (8 vm. – 5 nm. vir besigtiging), Witzenberg Plaaslike Munisipaliteit (8 vm. – 4 nm. vir besigtiging) en die Laingsburg Plaaslike Biblioteek (9 vm. – 1 nm. en 1:30 nm. – 3 nm. vir besigtiging). Die verslag sal ook op ’n webwerf gelaai word, waardeur geregistreerde B&GP’s die dokument sonder enige datakoste vir hul eie sak sal kan aflaai.

Om as ’n B&GP te registreer en/of om meer inligting te bekom, moet u asseblief u naam, kontakbesonderhede en die belang wat u by die aansoek het (met verwysing na die “Kudusberg WEF”) by SiVEST indien by die kontakbesonderhede hieronder:

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