# ADVERTISEMENT Announcing Amendment process and availability of Motivation Report for review and comment

### NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AMENDMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

## GUNSTFONTEIN WIND ENERGY FACILITY DEA REF(s): 14/12/16/3/3/2/826

Project Name: Gunstfontein Wind Energy Facility, Northern Cape Province.

Applicant: Gunstfontein Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd.

**Amendment request:** Gunstfontein Wind Farm (Pty) Limited are requesting the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) to amend the wind farm layout, the project description & turbine specifications and the WTG foundation and laydown area as described in the environmental authorisation dated 25 July 2016, and in the associated Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) dated April 2016, as follows:

- » Increase in turbine specifications:
  - o Range up to 150m hub height.
  - o Range up to 180m rotor diameter;
  - o Range up to 6.5MW rated power per turbine.
- » Minor layout adjustments including turbine positions, substation location, hard stands, foundations, internal roads and access roads.
- » Amendments to align the conditions of the environmental authorisation with the amended layout, the current EIA Regulations in terms of the EMPr, and the latest biodiversity information available.

**Project Location:** The project site is located in the Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality within the greater Namakwa District Municipality, Northern Cape Province on the following property (wholly contained):

» Remaining Extent of the Farm Gunstfontein Number 131

In terms of Condition 7 of the Environmental Authorisation and Regulation 31 of the EIA Regulations of December 2014, as amended, it is possible for an applicant to apply, in writing, to the competent authority for a change or deviation from the project description to be approved.

Motivation Report available for public review and comment: Savannah Environmental has compiled a Motivation Report in support of the Amendment Application. The Motivation Report is available at the Sutherland Public Library, Sarel Cilliers Street, Sutherland, for public review and comment between Friday, 10 May 2019 and Monday, 10 June 2019. The Motivation Report can also be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website (https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/). The due date for written comment is Monday, 10 June 2019.

To obtain further information, or to submit a comment, and/or to register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project, in writing, to Savannah Environmental:

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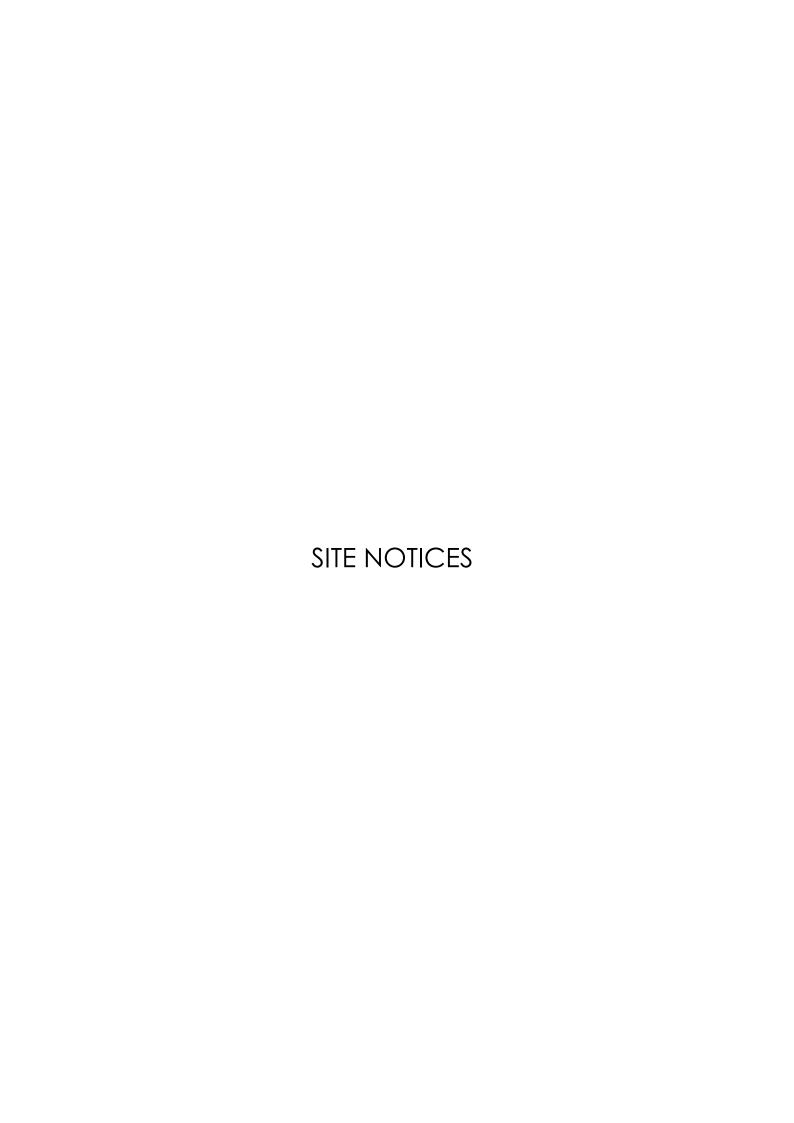
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## Tearsheet (to be included in Final Motivation Report)



#### **PROOF OF SITE NOTICES** (Date placed: 17 January 2019)



**Figure 1:** Site notices: Afrikaans and English – placed on boundary fence of access road to the Gunstfontein WEF, along the R354. <u>Co-ordinates</u>: 32°31'27.04"S; 20°38'11.13"E

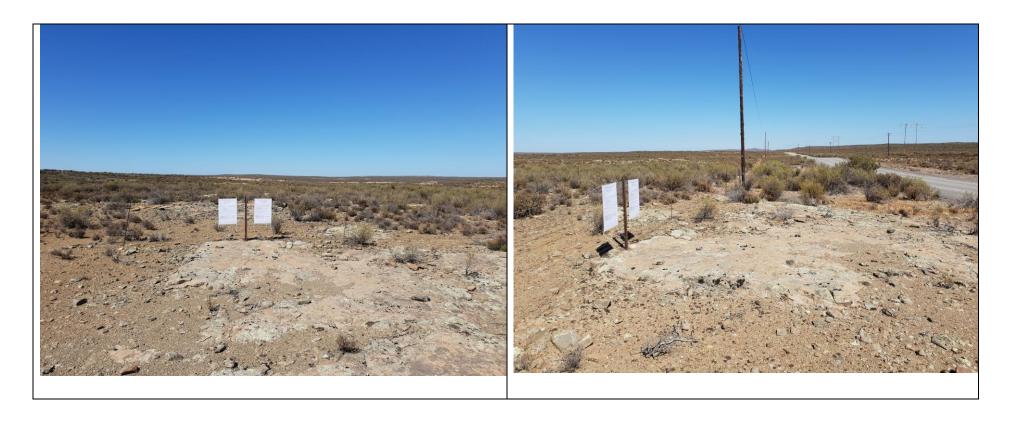


Figure 2: Site notices: Afrikaans and English –placed on boundary fence of the farm Gunstfontein along the dirt access road to the site Co-Ordinates: 32°34'57.23"S; 20°43'1.01"E