BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Public Participation Process Report

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TERMINOLOGY/DEFINITIONS

Motivation Report as part of Environmental

Authorisation.

In accordance with Section 29 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, as amended, this environmental authorisation (EA) amendment process aimed at aligning the proposed project activities with the EA as required within the amendment. An EA may be amended where this will result in a change in the project scope of the existing EA where such change may result increased level or change in nature of impact as not previously included in the standing EA. This amendment further does not trigger any listed activities with no exceeded thresholds for activities already authorises but requires an official amendment to be lodged with the competent authority (CA).

Interested and Affected Parties

Means an interested and affected party (I&AP) contemplated in Section 24(4)(d) of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 (Act 107 of 1998), and which in terms of that section includes:

- any person, group of persons or organizations interested in or affected by an activity; and
- any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

Public Participation Process Stakeholders

Means a process in which the broader public, including interested and affected parties, are given an opportunity to be informed of a proposed application, invite them to comment on, or raise issues relevant to specific matters applicable to an application.

A sub-group of the public whose interests may be positively or negatively affected by a proposal or activity and/or who are concerned with a proposal or activity and its consequences within the project study area. "Key stakeholders" are a smaller sub-group of I&APs. They are people who stand to be directly affected, representatives acting as spokespersons for their sectors, people whose local knowledge is important, people who

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may want to derail the process for personal gain, and all those who think they are key stakeholders.

Definitions taken from NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Other Guideline Information Documents

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CA	Competent Authority
C&RR	Comments and Response Report
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
I&APs	Interested and Affected Parties
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act
PPPR	Public Participation Process Report (PPPR)
OoS	Organs of State

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CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd has requested an amendment to an existing Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the authorised Boesmanland Solar Farm and associated infrastructure (DFFE Reference: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222, EA issued on the 16 July 2013). The project is located on a portion of Portion 6 (a portion of Portion 2) of Farm 62 Zuurwater, Aggeneys, within the Khâi-Ma Local Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. The amendment being applied for relates to an extension of the validity of the EA by an additional 10 years as well as other administrative amendments.

An application for amendment has been submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE). Additional information has been requested (in terms of Regulation 30(1)(a) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended) for the Department to be able to process the application for amendment. Savannah Environmental, as independent consultant, has prepared this Site Verification and Motivation Report in support of the application for the proposed amendment on behalf of Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd.

A development area of approximately 450ha forms part of the lease agreement with the landowner, Blommeland Boerdery BK, for the purposed of renewable energy generation. This development area is situated approximately 7km north of the N14 National Road, visually screened from the N14 by a series of dunes extending west from the N14 to a nearby inselberg/koppie named Hoedekop. Vehicular access to the site is either via existing roads off the Aggeneys turn off the N14 and through the Black Mountain Mine (latter with special permission) or alternatively via a series of narrow tracks (accessible by four-wheel drive) approaching the property from the east (de Kock, 2012).

The authorised Boesmanland Solar Farm will consist of solar photovoltaic panels with a feed-in capacity of 75MW (megawatts) Alternating Current (AC) / >90MW Direct Current (DC), as well as associated infrastructure, which will include:

- » On-site substation
- » Auxiliary buildings (administration / security, workshop, storage and ablution)
- » Inverters, transformers and internal electrical reticulation (underground cabling);
- » Access road and internal road network;
- » Overhead electrical transmission line (to connect to existing Aggeneis Substation);
- » Rainwater tanks
- » Parameter fencing

This report provides a synopsis of the PPP undertaken with the support of the following appendices as part of the proof of evidence for the project:

Table 1-1 included appendices as part of this proof of consultation.

Relevance 1 – I&AP Database Regulation 42 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, where a database of the project-affected parties is developed including directly affected and greater surrounding area for I&APs. The database included in this

Appendix	Relevance
	report is developed through the EIA process for the project.
2-Advertisements and Site Notices	As required in terms of the EA for this project, the amendment process will be communicated, and I&AP will be notified of the process. Site notices and a newspaper advert have already been placed in the process of notifying the I&AP.
3 – Consultation with I&AP Correspondence	As required in terms of the EA for this project, the Motivation Report was made available to registered parties for review and comment. This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah Environmental and any stakeholder including any IA&P who may have commented on the project.
4 - Consultation with OoS	As required in terms of the EA for this project, the Motivation Report was made available to registered parties for review and comment. This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah Environmental and any OoS who may have commented on the project.
5 – Comments Received	This appendix includes the comments received from OoS and/or I&APs on the Motivation Report will be made available for a 30-day review and comment period.
6 – Comments and Responses Report	All comments received will be recorded and responded to in a Comments and Responses Report, which will be submitted to the CA to inform the decision on the Motivation Report.

CHAPTER 2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS OBJECTIVES

Public participation is an essential and regulatory requirement for an environmental authorisation process and is guided by Regulation 37(2) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.

The following objectives for the public participation undertaken for the Motivation Report included:

- » notify registered I&APs of the availability of the Motivation Report for review and comment;
- » the review and comment period of the Motivation Report;
- » how and where the Motivation Report is made available for download or how to request an electronic copy;
- » how and where to submit written comments; and
- » capturing of the comments received into a Comments and Responses Report.

CHAPTER 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

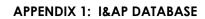
During the PPP, the following core PP activities were undertaken:

- » The existing Stakeholders and I&APs were verified and where applicable updated. The database was maintained throughout the 30-day review and comment period of the Motivation Report;
- A notification letter was distributed to all registered I&APs on Friday, 07 July 2023 notifying them of the availability of the Motivation Report and associated documentation for a review and comment period of 30 days;
- The Motivation Report was made available for review and comment from Friday, 07 July 2023 until Monday, 07 August 2023. The Motivation Report and associated documents will be made available on the Savannah Environmental website and also available via Dropbox or WeTransfer, upon request.
- » A reminder notification will be sent to all registered I&APs to remind them before the review and comment period comes to an end.
- » Suggestions, comments, and concerns received from I&APs will be collated and recorded in the Comments and Response Report (C&RR),
- » Updates to the Motivation report will be made before the Final submission date where needed.

CHAPTER 4 DECISION-MAKING PHASE

The Motivation Report will be submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), as the Competent Authority, for review and approval in accordance with the requirements of the EA issued for the project.

APPENDIX 1 INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES DATABASE





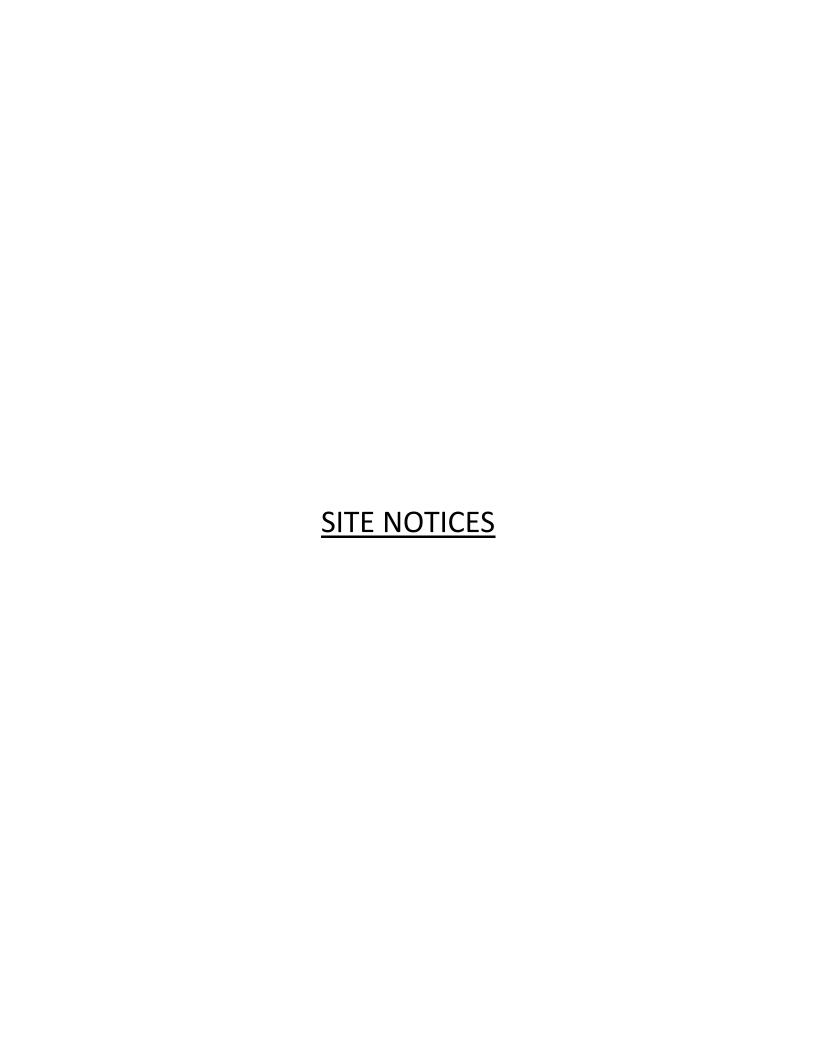
BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM, AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

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AgriSA	Janse	Rabie	Head
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Augrabies Falls National Park	Frans	van Rooyen	
Basil Read Energy (Pty) Ltd	lan	Curry	
Black Mountain Mining (Pty) Ltd	Pieter		Environmental ManagerEnvironmental Manager
Botes & Kennedy Manyano Civil Engineers &			
Contractors Cell C	Herman	van der Merwe Joubert	
Cell C	Brian Harish	Kasseepursad	
Cell C	Marius		Manager
Cell C	Roger	Everett	
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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the	- Commoy	Tentivariation	Acting Billocol
Environment	Mashudu	Marubini	Delegate to the Minister
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Mishelle		Chief Directorate: Hazardous Waste Management & Licensing(Ash Working Group)
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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Thivhulawi	Nethononda	Control Biodiversity Officer
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Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Alfredo	Green	Communication Manager
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Estella	Cloete	Mayor
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Henry	Raman	Ward Councillor - Ward 1
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Jillian	Bezuidenhoudt	LED Manager
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Johnny	Bock	Speaker
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Jonas	Aurelia	Executive Mayor
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Obakeng	Isaacs	Municipal Manager
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Pasqueline	Van Heerden	Mayor
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Pieter	van der Merwe	Chief Financial Officer
Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Roger	Basson	IDP Officer

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Khai-Ma Local Municipality	Stanley	Basson	Ward Councillor - Ward 2
MTN (Northern Cape)	Adrian	Rohland	Manager: Transmission Planning & Optimisation
Namakwa District Municipality		Namakwa	
Namakwa District Municipality	Chris	Fortuin	Municipal Manager
Namakwa District Municipality	Hertzog	Theron	Environmental Health Officer
Namakwa District Municipality	Immanuel	Smith	Head of Department
Namakwa District Municipality	Jannie	Loubser	Manager: Planning
Namakwa District Municipality	Shaun	Abrahams	
National Department of Transport & Public Works	Brian	Stander	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)		Khumalo	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev &		Yaphi	Environmental Officer
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Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Nico	Toerien	
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Provincial Roads	Niel	Joubert	
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South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)		Pretorius	Obstacle Specialist
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South African National Defense Force	JR	Kenny	Chief of Logistics: Renewable Energy Applications
South African National Defense Force	Lt. Col. Kebasenosi	Zondi	SO1 Military Integrated Environment Management (MIEM) Governance
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South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Tshegofatso	Monama	
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Telkom SOC Limited	Leonard	Shaw	Wireless Planning Development & Support
Telkom SOC Limited Tinkie Nel Familie Trust	Roy P.J	Macaskill De Bruyn de Villiers	Landowner
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Vodacom	Johan	Theron	Transmission Manager: Eastern
Vodacom	Joseph	Tobi	Transmission Manager: Eastern
Vodacom	Junior	Adraanse	Property Manager
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Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	Morgan	Griffiths	Environmental Governance Programme Manager
ZF Mgcawu District Municipality	Frikkie	Rupping	

APPENDIX 2 ADVERTISEMENTS AND SITE NOTICES



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

PROPOSED BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM, AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

Applicant: Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the proposed Boesmanland Solar Farm on 16 July 2013. The applicant is requesting the extension of validity of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) and subsequent Amendments by an additional 10 years such that the EA would be valid for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of issue of the authorisation.

Project Location: Boesmanland Solar Farm is located on Portion 6 (A Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Zuurwater near Aggeneys within the Khai-Ma Local Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

Amendment Process: In terms of Conditions 6 of the EA (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222) dated 16 July 2013 and Regulation 29 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, it is possible for an applicant to apply, in writing, to the competent authority for an amendment of the environmental authorisation if the amendment will not change the scope of a valid environmental authorisation nor increase the level or nature of the impact. An application in this regard has been submitted to the DFFE who have confirmed that the application falls within the ambit of a Part 1 amendment process. A public participation process is required to be undertaken in support of this application in accordance with the requirements of the DFFE.

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to the contact person below:

Cornelius Holtzhausen at Savannah Environmental

P.O. Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157

Tel: 011 656 3237

Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including Please Call Me)

Fax: 086 684 0547

Email: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

Website: www.savannahsa.com



June 2023

This notice is **not** for **job applications** but rather an opportunity to **register/comment** on the project.

Should you know of any **vulnerable person** that needs to be informed of and be part of this proposed project, please contact us.

PROOF OF SITE NOTICES (Date placed: 6 June 2023)





Coordinates: 29°15'51.531"S, 18°48'49.018"E.

Note: At the crossing of two unnamed roads that lead between the town of Aggeneys, Aggeneys Airport and the Black Mountain Mine.





Coordinates: 29°15′50.9″S, 18°48′44.7″E. Note: At the entrance to the proposed site.





Coordinates: 29°14'32.003"\$ 18°50'38.363"E

Note: Process notice (In green), posted at the Aggeneys Post Office.



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM, AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

Applicant: Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the construction of the Boesmanland Solar Farm on 16 July 2013. The applicant is requesting the validity of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) and subsequent Amendments to be extended by an additional 5 years such that the EA would be valid for a period of fifteen (15) years from the date of issue of the authorisation.

Project Location: Boesmanland Solar Farm is located on Portion 6 (A Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Zuurwater near Aggeneys within the Khai-Ma Local Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

Amendment Process: In terms of Conditions 6 of the EA (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222) dated 16 July 2013 and Regulation 29 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, it is possible for an applicant to apply, in writing, to the competent authority for an amendment of the environmental authorisation if the amendment will not change the scope of a valid environmental authorisation nor increase the level or nature of the impact. An application in this regard has been submitted to the DFFE who have confirmed that the application falls within the ambit of a Part 1 amendment process. A public participation process is required to be undertaken in support of this application in accordance with the requirements of the DFFE.

Motivation Report available for public review and comment: Savannah Environmental has compiled a Motivation Report in support of the Amendment Applications (Part 1 amendment). The Motivation Reports and supporting documentation will be available for public review and comment from Friday, 7 July 2023 to Monday 7 August 2023. The Motivation Reports can be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/. The due date for written comment will be Monday, 7 August 2023.

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to the contact person below:

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APPENDIX 3 CONSULTATION WITH ORGANS OF STATE





Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07

VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

07 July 2023

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM NEAR AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

NOTICE ON AVAILABILITY OF AMENDMENT MOTIVATION REPORT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

Boesmanland Solar Farm (Pty) Ltd has requested an amendment to an existing Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the authorised Boesmanland Solar Farm and associated infrastructure (DFFE Reference: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222, EA issued on the 16 July 2013). The project is located on a portion of Portion 6 (a portion of Portion 2) of Farm 62 Zuurwater, Aggeneys, within the Khâi-Ma Local Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. The amendment being applied for relates to an extension of the validity of the EA by an additional 10 years as well as other administrative amendments.

In terms of Conditions 6 of the EA (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222) dated 16 July 2013 and Regulation 29 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, it is possible for an applicant to apply, in writing, to the competent authority for an amendment of the environmental authorisation if the amendment will not change the scope of a valid environmental authorisation nor increase the level or nature of the impact. An application in this regard has been submitted to the DFFE who have confirmed that the application falls within the ambit of a Part 1 amendment process. A public participation process is required to be undertaken in support of this application in accordance with the requirements of the DFFE.

AVAILABILITY OF MOTIVATION REPORT FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

Savannah Environmental has compiled a Motivation Report in support of the Amendment Application (Part 1 amendment). The Motivation Report and supporting documentation will be available for public review and comment from **Friday**, **07 July 2023** to **Monday**, **07 August 2023**. The Motivation Report can be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website at https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation

Please submit your written comments on the Motivation Report by **Monday**, **07 August 2023** via one of the following:

» Telephone: 011 656 3237

» Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including please call me)

» Fax: 086 684 0547

» Post: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157» E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

All comments can be addressed to Cornelius Holtzhausen at Savannah Environmental.

All comments received during the 30-day public review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final Motivation Report in line with Regulation 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326), for submission to the DFFE for review and decision-making.

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

Kind regards

Cornelius Holtzhausen

Public Participation Consultant

Email: <u>publicprocess@savannahsa.com</u>

Cornelius Holtzhausen

From: Savannah Environmental Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Sent: Friday, 07 July 2023 15:02

To: Department of Rural Development and Land Reform

Cc: Savannah Public Process

Subject: SE3621: Boesmanland Solar Farm - Notification of availability of Amendment

Motivation Report

Attachments: SE3621_Aggeneys_P1_Amendment_Notification_letter_ - FINAL.pdf

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM NEAR AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

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

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<u>Distribution report to be added in the final</u> <u>report due to system malfunction.</u>

APPENDIX 4 CONSULTATION WITH INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES



Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07

VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

07 July 2023

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOESMANLAND SOLAR FARM NEAR AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/222)

NOTICE ON AVAILABILITY OF AMENDMENT MOTIVATION REPORT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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» Telephone: 011 656 3237

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All comments can be addressed to Cornelius Holtzhausen at Savannah Environmental.

All comments received during the 30-day public review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final Motivation Report in line with Regulation 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326), for submission to the DFFE for review and decision-making.

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Cornelius Holtzhausen

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Subject: SE3621: Boesmanland Solar Farm - Notification of availability of Amendment

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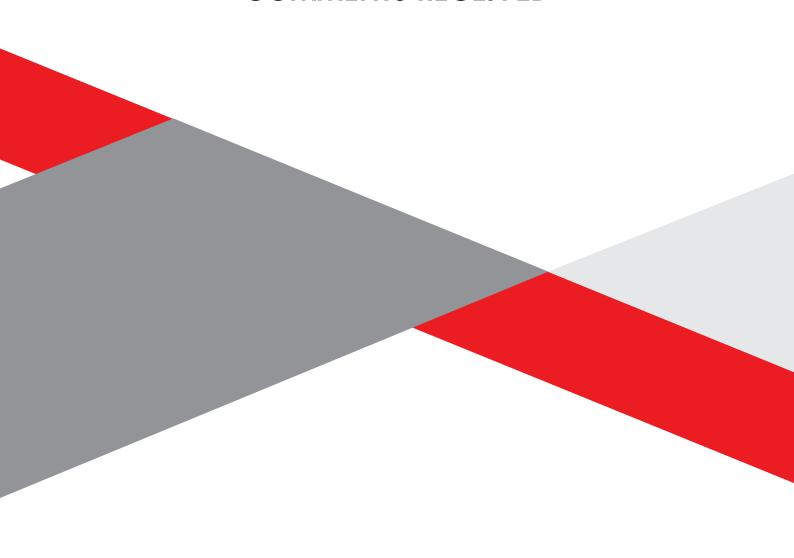
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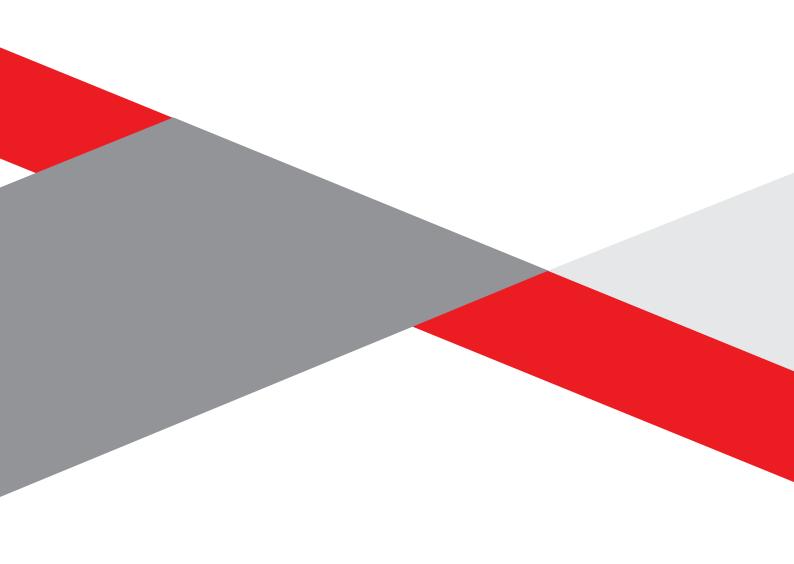
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