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Attention: Candice Hunter

Savannah Environmental Pty Ltd

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**Re: Peer review of the Social Scoping Report for the Proposed Noupoort CSP
Project, near Noupoort, Northern Cape Province**

Having reviewed the above report I find that in essence it provides a description of the project and the social environment within which the project will unfold. It also provides an indication of the social impacts that are likely to arise as a result of the proposed project and suggests appropriate optimisation and mitigation measure.

Attached is a schedule, in accordance with Appendix 6 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998). Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, indicating the level of compliance of the report in respect of this regulation.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

I, Neville Bews, as authorised representative of Dr Neville Bews & Associates hereby confirm my independence as a specialist and declare that neither I nor Dr Neville Bews & Associates have any interest, be it business, financial, personal or other, in any proposed activity, application or appeal in respect of which Dr Neville Bews & Associates was appointed as social impact assessment specialists in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), other than fair remuneration for work performed. This declaration is specifically in connection with the review of the Social Scoping Report for the Proposed Noupoort CSP Project, located on the Remaining Extent of the Farm 207, Portion 1 and Portion 4 of the Farm Carolus Poort 167, situated approximately 4 km northwest of Noupoort, Northern Cape Province.

Signed:



Date: 20 April 2016

Noupoort CSP Project

Appendix 6: Specialist reports	Check	Comment
A specialist report prepared in terms of these Regulations must contain-		
(a) details of-		
(i) the specialist who prepared the report; and	Section 1.3 Page 13	
(ii) the expertise of that specialist to compile a specialist report including a curriculum vitae;	Section 1.3 Page 13	A CV is included as part of the Scoping Report, Appendix A
(b) a declaration that the specialist is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority;	Appendices A	
(c) an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared;	Section 1.2 Page 12-	Addressed under "Terms of Reference"
(d) the date and season of the site investigation and the relevance of the season to the outcome of the assessment;	Not applicable	
(e) a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process;	Section 2 Page 17-19	
(f) the specific identified sensitivity of the site related to the activity and its associated structures and infrastructure;	Section 4. Pages 34-47	
(g) an identification of any areas to be avoided, including buffers;	None	
(h) a map superimposing the activity including the associated structures and infrastructure on the environmental sensitivities of the site including areas to be avoided, including buffers;	Figure 1 Page 16 Figure 7 Page 47 Figure 8 Page 60	
(i) a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge;	Section 2.4 Page 19	
(j) a description of the findings and potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives on the environment;	Sections 5 Pages 48-63	
(k) any mitigation measures for inclusion in the EMPr;	Not identified as this is a scoping report	To be identified during the EIA phase
(l) any conditions for inclusion in the environmental authorisation;	None, report at a scoping phase	To be identified during the EIA phase
(m) any monitoring requirements for inclusion in the EMPr or environmental authorisation;	None, report at a scoping phase	To be identified during the EIA phase
(n) a reasoned opinion-		
(i) as to whether the proposed activity or portions thereof should be authorised; and	5.4 Page 63. Report at scoping phase	To be identified during the EIA phase
(ii) if the opinion is that the proposed activity or portions thereof should be authorised, any avoidance, management and mitigation measures that should be included in the EMPr, and where applicable, the closure plan;	None as report is at scoping phase	To be identified during the EIA phase
(o) a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of preparing the specialist report;	Report at scoping phase. Recommendations made for Public Participation under Sections 6.4 Page 66	To be included during the EIA phase
(p) a summary and copies of any comments received during any consultation process and where applicable all responses thereto; and	Report at scoping phase. Recommendations made for Public Participation under Sections 6.4 Page 66	To be included during the EIA phase
(q) any other information requested by the competent authority.	None	