



## environmental affairs

Department:  
Environmental Affairs  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

### DETAILS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER, DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH

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#### PROJECT TITLE

Geelster Grid Connection, Northern Cape

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1. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP) INFORMATION

EAP Company Name:	Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd		
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	2	Percentage Procurement recognition
			125%
EAP name:	Jo-Anne Thomas		
EAP Qualifications:	MSc in Botany		
Professional affiliation/registration:	SACNASP EAPASA		
Physical address:	First Floor, Block 2, 5 Wadlands Drive Office Park		
Postal address:	P.O Box 148, Sunninghill		
Postal code:	2157	Cell:	082 775 5628
Telephone:	011 656 3237	Fax:	086 684 0647
E-mail:	joanne@savannahsa.com		

The appointed EAP must meet the requirements of Regulation 13 of GN R982 of 04 December 2014, as amended.

2. DECLARATION BY THE EAP

I, Jo-Anne Thomas, declare that -

- I act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner in this application;
- I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in Regulation 13 of the Regulations when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the Competent Authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the Competent Authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the Competent Authority, unless access to that information is protected by law, in which case it will be indicated that such information exists and will be provided to the Competent Authority;
- I will perform all obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the Regulations; and
- I am aware of what constitutes an offence in terms of Regulation 48 and that a person convicted of an offence in terms of Regulation 48(1) is liable to the penalties as contemplated in Section 49B of the Act.

**Disclosure of Vested Interest**

- I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the Regulations;

*Thomas*

Signature of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner

*Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd*

Name of Company:

*19/05/2020*

Date

**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I, *Jo-Anne Thomas*, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.

*Thomas*

Signature of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner

*Savannah Environmental*

Name of Company

*19/05/2020*

Date

*[Signature]*

Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

*19/05/2020*

Date

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## 1. SPECIALIST INFORMATION

Specialist Company Name:	<b>Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd</b>		
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	<b>2</b>	Percentage Procurement recognition
			<b>125%</b>
Specialist name:	<b>Lisa Opperman</b>		
Specialist Qualifications:	<b>B.Sc. Honours in Geography &amp; Environmental Management</b>		
Professional affiliation/registration:			
Physical address:	<b>First Floor</b> <b>Block 2, 5 Woodlands Drive Office Park</b> <b>Cnr of Western Service Road &amp; Woodlands Drive</b> <b>Woodmead</b> <b>2191</b>		
Postal address:	<b>PO Box 148</b> <b>Sunninghill</b>		
Postal code:	<b>2157</b>	Cell:	<b>084 920 3111</b>
Telephone:	<b>011 656 3237/3256/3251</b>	Fax:	<b>086 684 0547</b>
E-mail:	<b>lisa.o@savannahsa.com</b>		

## 2. DECLARATION BY THE SPECIALIST

I, Lisa Opperman, declare that –

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting the specialist report relevant to this application, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.



Signature of the Specialist

**Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd**

Name of Company:

Details of Specialist, Declaration and Undertaking Under Oath

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I,     Lisa Opperman    , swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.

*Lisa Opperman*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Specialist

**Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*[Signature]*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## 1. SPECIALIST INFORMATION

Specialist Company Name:				
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	Level 4	Percentage Procurement recognition	100%
Specialist name:	Eric Herrmann			
Specialist Qualifications:	Master of Forestry: Conservation Ecology, University of Stellenbosch			
Professional affiliation/registration:	None			
Physical address:	46 Church Street, Hopefield, 7355			
Postal address:	PO Box 1229, Saldanha			
Postal code:	7395	Cell:	083 311 0299	
Telephone:		Fax:		
E-mail:	benfontein@gmail.com			

## 2. DECLARATION BY THE SPECIALIST

I, Eric Herrmann, declare that –

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting the specialist report relevant to this application, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.



Signature of the Specialist

**3Foxes Biodiversity Solutions**

Name of Company:

2/09/20

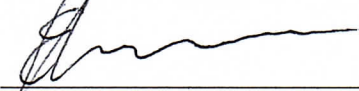
Date

Details of Specialist, Declaration and Undertaking Under Oath



**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I, Eric Herrmann, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.




Signature of the Specialist

**3Foxes Biodiversity Solutions**

Name of Company

2/09/20

Date

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Dean Conroolie

Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

20/09/20

Date

9 Stasia Street  
Hopefield.  
7355



**SPECIALIST DECLARATION**

I, ..Simon Todd....., as the appointed independent specialist, in terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations, hereby declare that I:

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
- I perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- regard the information contained in this report as it relates to my specialist input/study to be true and correct, and do not have and will not have any financial interest in the undertaking of the activity, other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 and any specific environmental management Act;
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting the specialist report relevant to this application, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I have no vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- I have ensured that information containing all relevant facts in respect of the specialist input/study was distributed or made available to interested and affected parties and the public and that participation by interested and affected parties was facilitated in such a manner that all interested and affected parties were provided with a reasonable opportunity to participate and to provide comments on the specialist input/study;
- I have ensured that the comments of all interested and affected parties on the specialist input/study were considered, recorded and submitted to the competent authority in respect of the application;
- all the particulars furnished by me in this specialist input/study are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Signature of the specialist:  \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Specialist: \_\_\_\_ Simon Todd \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ 15 August 2020 \_\_\_\_\_

## I. DECLARATION OF CONSULTANTS INDEPENDENCE

- » act/ed as the independent specialist in this application;
- » regard the information contained in this report as it relates to my specialist input/study to be true and correct, and
- » do not have and will not have any financial interest in the undertaking of the activity, other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 and any specific environmental management Act;
- » have and will not have any vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- » have disclosed, to the applicant, EAP and competent authority, any material information that has or may have the potential to influence the decision of the competent authority or the objectivity of any report, plan or document required in terms of the NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 and any specific environmental management Act;
- » am fully aware of and meet the responsibilities in terms of NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (specifically in terms of regulation 13 of GN No. R. 326) and any specific environmental management Act, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute and result in disqualification;
- » have provided the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal regarding the application, whether such information is favourable to the applicant or not; and
- » am aware that a false declaration is an offense in terms of regulation 48 of GN No. R. 326.

### REPORT AUTHORS

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**Gerhard Botha** *Pr.Sci.Nat* 400502/14 (Botanical and Ecological Science)

**Field of expertise:** Fauna & flora, terrestrial biodiversity, wetland ecology, aquatic and wetland, aquatic biomonitoring, and wetland habitat evaluations. BSc (Hons) Zoology and Botany, MSc Botany (Phytosociology) from 2011 to present.



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1. SPECIALIST INFORMATION

Specialist Company Name:	CTS HERITAGE		
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	4	Percentage Procurement recognition
Specialist name:	JENNA LAVIN		
Specialist Qualifications:	MSc ARCHAEOLOGY		
Professional affiliation/registration:	APHP ASAPA		
Physical address:	34 HARRIES ST., PLUMSTEAD		
Postal address:	AS ABOVE		
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Telephone:		Fax:	
E-mail:	JENNA.LAVIN@CTSHERITAGE.COM		

2. DECLARATION BY THE SPECIALIST

I, JENNA LAVIN, declare that -

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
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- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

  
 Signature of the Specialist

CTS HERITAGE  
 Name of Company:

04/11/2020  
 Date

3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION

I, JENNA LAVIN, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.

*Jenni*  
Signature of the Specialist

CTS HERITAGE  
Name of Company

04 / 11 / 2020  
Date

*[Signature]*  
Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

2020-11  
Date

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B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	<b>Non-compliant</b>	Percentage Procurement recognition
Specialist name:	<b>DG Paterson</b>		
Specialist Qualifications:	<b>PhD (Soil Science)</b>		
Professional affiliation/registration:	SACNASP (Reg. No. 400463/04)		
Physical address:	<b>600, Belvedere Street, Arcadia, Pretoria 0083</b>		
Postal address:	<b>Private Bag X79, Pretoria</b>		
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Telephone:	<b>012 310 2601</b>	Fax:	<b>012 323 1157</b>
E-mail:	<b>garry@arc.agric.za</b>		

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I, DG PATERSON, declare that –

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
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Signature of the Specialist

**Agricultural Research Council-Soil, Climate and Water**

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Name of Company:

24-07-2020

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Date

**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I, DG PATERSON, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.



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Signature of the Specialist

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Farmet Resource Officer  
Lêswaai van Wet 18 van 1963  
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**1. SPECIALIST INFORMATION**

Specialist Company Name:	Environmental Planning and Design		
B-BBEE	Contribution level (indicate 1 to 8 or non-compliant)	4	Percentage Procurement recognition
Specialist name:	Jonathan Marshall		
Specialist Qualifications:	Dip LA		
Professional affiliation/registration:	Chartered Member of the Landscape Institute (UK). Registered Professional Landscape Architect (South Africa). IAIA		
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**2. DECLARATION BY THE SPECIALIST**

I, Jonathan Marshall, declare that –

- I act as the independent specialist in this application;
- I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;
- I have expertise in conducting the specialist report relevant to this application, including knowledge of the Act, Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- I will comply with the Act, Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;
- I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.



Signature of the Specialist

Environmental Planning and Design

Name of Company:

4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Date

Details of Specialist, Declaration and Undertaking Under Oath

**3. UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION**

I, Jonathan Marshall, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.



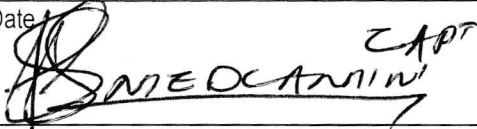
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Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

~~2020~~-11-03

Date

