

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the proposed construction,
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Project of Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd. at Danger Bay
in the Saldanha Bay region

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A1: Curriculum Vitae – Paul Lochner and Minnelise Levendal

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Curriculum Vitae

Paul Lochner

Name of firm	CSIR
Name of staff	Paul Andrew Lochner
Profession	Environmental Assessment and Management
Position in firm	Project Leader in Environmental Assessment & Management
Date of birth	13 June 1969
Years with firm	21 years
Nationality	South African
Biographical sketch	<p>Paul Lochner commenced work at CSIR in 1992, after completing a degree in Civil Engineering and a Masters in Environmental Science, both at the University of Cape Town. His initial work at CSIR focused on sediment dynamics and soft engineering applications in the coastal zone, in particular, beach and dune management. He conducted several shoreline erosion analyses and prepared coastal zone management plans for beaches. He also prepared wetland management plans.</p>

As the market for environmental assessment work grew, he led Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs), in particular for coastal resort developments and large-scale industrial developments located on the coast; and Environmental Management Plans (EMPs), in particular for wetlands, estuaries and coastal developments. He has also been involved in researching and applying higher-level approaches to environmental assessment and management, such as Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). In 1998 and 1999, he coordinated the SEA research programme within the CSIR, and was a lead author of the Guideline Document for SEA in South Africa, published jointly by CSIR and the national Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism in February 2000. In 1999 and 2000, he was the project manager for the legal, institutional, policy,

financial and socio-economic component of the Cape Action Plan for the Environment ("CAPE"), a large-scale multi-disciplinary study to ensure the sustainable conservation of the Cape Floral Kingdom. This was funded by the Global Environmental Fund (GEF) and prepared for WWF-South Africa. The study required extensive stakeholder interaction, in particular with government institutions, leading to the development of a Strategy and Action Plan for regional conservation.

In July 2003, he was certified as an Environmental Assessment Practitioner by the Interim Certification Board for Environmental Assessment Practitioners of South Africa. In 2004 he was lead author of the *Overview of IEM* document in the updated Integrated Environmental Management (IEM) Information Series published by national Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT). In 2004-2005 he was project manager for an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) conducted for a bauxite mine and alumina refinery in the Komi Republic (Russia), prepared in accordance with World Bank and EU policies, guidelines and standards.

In 2004-2005, he was part of the CSIR team that coordinated the preparation of the series of *Guidelines for involving specialists in EIA processes* prepared for the Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEADP); and authored the *Guideline for Environmental Management Plans* published by the Western Cape government in 2005.

In 2009, he led the EIA for a desalination plant in Namibia, as well as several EIAs for wind energy facilities in South Africa.

Over the past 14 years has been closely involved with several environmental studies for industrial and port-related projects in Coega Industrial Development Zone (IDZ), near Port Elizabeth. This included the SEA for the establishment of the Coega IDZ in 1996/7, an EIA and EMP for a proposed aluminium smelter in 2002/3, and assistance with environmental permit applications for air, water and waste. At the Coega IDZ and port, he has also conducted environmental assessments for port development, LNG storage and a combined cycle gas turbine power plant, manganese export, rail development, and wind energy projects.

Education	1990	B.Sc. Civil Engineering (awarded with Honours)	University of Cape Town
	1992	M. Phil. Environmental Science	University of Cape Town

Employment record	<p><i>January 1992 to June 1992:</i> Completed Masters thesis, working in conjunction with the Environmental Evaluation Unit at the University of Cape Town. The thesis investigated the potential future ecological and socio-economic impacts resulting from the closure of a large diamond mining operation, and developed actions to mitigate these impacts.</p> <p><i>October 1992 to present:</i> Employed by the CSIR in Stellenbosch. Involved in coastal engineering studies; and various forms of environmental assessment and management studies. (A track record of experience is listed below).</p>
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PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT IN COMMITTEES:

<i>1996/97:</i>	Committee Member of the Western Cape Branch of the International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA)
<i>1997/98:</i>	Chairperson of the Western Cape Branch of IAIA and member of the national IAIA committee
<i>1998/99:</i>	Committee Member of the Western Cape Branch of IAIA
<i>1996 to present:</i>	Chairperson of the Blouvllei Environmental Committee at Century City, Cape Town (This committee is tasked with overseeing the restoration and management of a wetland in the midst of a new mixed-use urban development)

Experience record The following table presents an abridged list of projects that Paul Lochner has been involved in, indicating his role in each project:

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
2013-in progress	EIA for the proposed importation of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to the Mossel Bay area	Project Leader	PetroSA
2013-in progress	EIA for the proposed Saldanha Regional Marine Outfall Project	Project Leader	Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd
2012-in progress	SEA for the placement of wind energy projects in SA	Project Leader	National Department of Environmental Affairs
2012-in progress	SEA for the placement of solar energy projects in SA	Project Leader	National Department of Environmental Affairs
2011 - 2012	EIA for the 100 MW solar photovoltaic project proposed by Mainstream Renewable Power at Blocuso, near Keimoes in the Northern Cape	Project Leader	Mainstream Renewable Power
2011 – 2012	EIA for the 100 MW solar photovoltaic project proposed by Mainstream Renewable Power at Roode Kop Farm, near Douglas, in the Northern Cape	Project Leader	Mainstream Renewable Power
2011 – 2012	EIA for the 75 MW solar photovoltaic project proposed by Solaire Direct at GlenThorne , near Bloemfontein in the Free State	Project Leader	Solaire Direct
2011 – 2012	EIA for the 75 MW solar photovoltaic project proposed by SolaireDirect at Valleydora , near Springfontein in the Free State	Project Leader	Solaire Direct
2012 (in progress)	EIA for the 80 MW solar photovoltaic project by CAMAC on Farm O'Poort near postmasburg.	Project Leader	CAMAC International
2010-2011	More than 10 Basic Assessments (BAs) for solar photovoltaic projects in the western cape, Northern Cape, Eastern Cape and Free State	Project Leader	Various clients including Dutch, German, French and South African companies
2010/2011 (in progress)	EIA for the Langerfontein wind project near Darling, Western Cape.	Project Leader	Mr Herman Oelsner, Khwe Khoa
2012-2013	EIA for a 100 MW wind project at Zuurbron and a 50 MW wind project Broadlands in the Eastern Cape	Project Leader	WindCurrent SA (German-based company)
2011	EIA for the proposed 143 MW Biotherm wind energy project near Swellendam , Western	Project Leader	Biotherm South Africa (Pty) Ltd

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
	Cape, South Africa		
2010-2013 (final report completed)	EIA for the proposed InnoWind wind energy projects near Swellendam, Heidelberg, Albertinia and Mossel Bay (totalling approx 210 MW), Western Cape, South Africa	Project Leader	InnoWind South Africa (Pty) Ltd
2009/2010 (authorisation granted by DEA in Aug 2011)	EIA for the proposed Electrawinds wind energy facility of 45-75 MW capacity in the Coega IDZ, Eastern Cape	Project Leader	Electrawinds N.V. (Belgium)
2009/2010 (authorisation granted by DEA in April 2011)	EIA for proposed 180 MW Jeffreys Bay wind energy project, Eastern Cape	Project Leader and co-author	Mainstream Renewable Power South Africa
2009/2010 (authorisation granted by DEA)	Basic Assessment for the national wind Atlas for South Africa	Project Leader	SANERI and SA Wind Energy Programme, Dept of Energy
2009/2010 (on hold)	EIA for the proposed Gecko soda plant, Otjivalunda and Arandis, Namibia	Project Leader	Gecko, Namibia
2009	EIA for the proposed desalination plant at Swakopmund, Namibia	Project Leader	NamWater, Namibia
2009	EMP for the Operational Phase of the Berg River Dam, Franschoek, South Africa	Project Leader and report co-author	TCTA, South Africa
2009/2010 (in progress)	EIA for the proposed crude oil refinery at Coega, South Africa	Project Leader and lead author	PetroSA, South Africa
2008	Environmental Risk Review for proposed LNG/CNG import to Mossel Bay, South Africa	Project Leader and lead author	PetroSA, South Africa
2008	Review of the Business Plan for catchment management for the Berg Water Dam Project, Franschhoek, South Africa	Project reviewer and co-author	TCTA, South Africa
2007 – 2010	EIA for proposed Jacobsbaai Tortoise Reserve eco-development, Saldanha, Western Cape	Project Leader and co-author	Jacobsbaai Tortoise Reserve (Pty) Ltd
2007 – 2010	Independent reviewer for the EIA proposed Amanzi lifestyle development, Port Elizabeth	Independent reviewer appointed to advise EAP	Public Process Consultants and Pam Golding
2007 – 2008	EIA for proposed 18 MW Kouga wind energy project, Eastern Cape	Project Leader and co-author	Genesis Eco-Energy (Approved by DEDEA in March 2009)
2007	Review of EIA for the proposed Hanglip Eco-Development, Plettenberg Bay, Western Cape	Co-author of review of EIA, undertaken on behalf of DEADP	Dept of Environmental Affairs & Development Planning, Western Cape
2006-2007	Scoping phase for the EIA for the proposed Coega LNG-to-Power Project at the Port of Ngqura, Coega IDZ	Project Leader and co-author	Eskom and iGas
2006-2007	Guideline for Scoping, Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Plans for mining in South Africa	Project Leader and co-author	Dept of Minerals and Energy (DME), South Africa
2006	Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the extension of the Port of Ngqura, Eastern Cape	Project Leader and co-author	Transnet
2006	Integrating Sustainability Into Strategy: Handbook (Version 1)	Project Leader and co-author	CSIR (STEP research report)
2005	Technology Review for the proposed aluminium smelter at Coega, South Africa	Project Leader and lead author	Alcan, Canada
2005	Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) report for the proposed alumina refinery near Sosnogorsk, Komi Republic, Russia	Project manager and co-author	Komi Aluminium, Russia, IFC, EBRD
2005	Guideline for Environmental Management	Author	Dept of Environmental Affairs

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
	Plans (EMPs) for the Western Cape province, including conducting a training course for provincial government		& Development Planning, Western Cape
2005	Guideline for the review of specialist studies undertaken as part of environmental assessments	Member of Steering Committee and project facilitator	Dept of Environmental Affairs & Development Planning, Western Cape
2004	Review of Strategic Management Plan for Table Mountain National Park (2001-2004)	Reviewer and co-author	South African National Parks
2004	Strategic Needs Assessment Process for mainstreaming sustainable development into business operations	Researcher and co-author	CSIR (internal research)
2004	Environmental Monitoring Committees booklet in the IEM Information Series for DEAT	Contributing author	Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT)
2004	Overview of Integrated Environmental Management (IEM) booklet in the IEM Information Series	Lead author and researcher	DEAT
2003	Environmental Screening Study for gas power station, South Africa	Project Manager and lead author	Eskom, iGas and Shell
2003	Environmental Management Programme (EMP) Framework for the proposed Coega Aluminium Smelter; and assistance with preparing permit and licence applications	Project Manager and lead author	Pechiney, France
2003	Environmental Management Plan for the Operational Phase of the wetlands and canals at Century City, Cape Town	Project Leader and lead author	Century City Property Owners' Association
2002	Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed Pechiney aluminium smelter at Coega, South Africa	Project Manager and lead author	Pechiney, France
2002 - 2003	Research project: Ecological impact of large-scale groundwater abstraction on the Table Mountain Group aquifer	Project Manager	Water Research Commission
2002	Environmental Management Plan for the Eskom Wind Energy Demonstration Facility in the Western Cape	Co-author	Eskom
2001-2002	Environmental Impact Assessment for the Eskom Wind Energy Demonstration Facility in the Western Cape	Quality control & co-author	Eskom
2001	Environmental Due Diligence study of four strategic oil storage facilities in South Africa	Project manager and co-author	SFF Association
2000	Cape Action Plan for the Environment: a biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan for the Cape Floral Kingdom - legal, institutional, policy, financial and socio-economic component	Project manager and contributing writer	World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF): South Africa
1999	Environmental Management Plan for the establishment phase of the wetlands and canals at Century City, Cape Town	Project manager and lead author	Monex Development Company
1999	Environmental Management Programme for the Thesen Islands development, Knysna	Process design and Co-author	Chris Mulder Associates Inc; Thesen and Co.
1999	Management Plan for the coastal zone between the Eerste and Lourens River, False Bay, South Africa	Project manager and lead author	Heartland Properties and Somchem (a Division of Denel)
1998	Environmental Assessment of the Mozal Matola Terminal Development proposed for the	Project manager and author.	SNC-Lavalin-EMS

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
	Port of Matola, Maputo, Mozambique		
1998	Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Somchem industrial complex at Krantzkop, South Africa	Project manager and co-author	Somchem, a Division of Denel
1997	Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the proposed Industrial Development Zone and Harbour at Coega, Port Elizabeth, South Africa	SEA project manager and report writer	Coega IDZ Initiative Section 21 Company
1996	Environmental Impact Assessment of Development Scenarios for Thesen Island, Knysna, South Africa	Project manager and report writer	Thesen and Co.
1996	Environmental Impact Assessment of the Management Options for the Blouvllei wetlands, Cape Town	Project manager and report writer	Ilco Homes Ltd (now Monex Ltd)
1995	Environmental Impact Assessment for the Saldanha Steel Project, South Africa	Report writing and management of specialist studies	Saldanha Steel Project
1994	Environmental Impact Assessment for the upgrading of resort facilities on Frégate Island, Seychelles	Member of the project management team, co-author, process facilitator	Schneid Israelite and Partners
1994	Environmental Impact Assessment for exploration drilling in offshore Area 2815, Namibia	Project manager and co-author	Chevron Overseas (Namibia) Limited
1994	Management Plan for the Rietvllei Wetland Reserve, Cape Town	Project manager and lead author	Southern African Nature Foundation (now WWF-SA)
1993	Beach management plan for Stilbaai beachfront and dunes, South Africa	Project manager and lead author	Stilbaai Municipality
1993	Beach and dune management plan for Sedgfield for the beach east of the mouth of the Swartvllei estuary	Project manager and lead author	Nel and De Kock Planners, George
1993	Coastal Stability analysis and beach management plan for the Table View coastline north of Blaauwberg Road, Cape Town	Project manager and lead author	Milnerton Municipality

Publication record

A comprehensive list of publications, book chapters and contract reports is available upon request, with a summary provided below.

Publications in journals, peer reviewed conference proceedings and CSIR internal research reports:

Weaver A, Pope J, Morrison-Saunders A & Lochner P, 2009, Contributing to sustainability as an environmental impact assessment practitioner, *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal* (IAPA), 26:2, 91-98. (This paper received the IAPA best paper award for 2009).

Lochner P, 2009: Case study - The role of environmental and social screening in informing the conceptual design and planning of large-scale projects in the pre-feasibility phase, in DBSA, 2009, *What works for us – a South African Country report for tactics, Tools and Methods for Integrating Environment and Development* (A South African Case study in partnership with the IIED), pp 37-38, Midrand, South Africa.

Lochner P, Munster F and Burns M, 2006. Integrating Sustainability into Strategy (ISIS): a process to inform sustainability strategies and frameworks, *In: IAIA South Africa Annual Conference proceedings*, South Africa.

Rossouw N and Lochner P, 2006. Environmental Monitoring Committees (EMCs): purpose, function and structure. *In: IAIA South Africa Annual Conference proceedings*, South Africa.

Munster F and Lochner P, 2006, Integrating Sustainability Into Strategy: Handbook (Version 1) – describing a process to inform sustainability strategies, frameworks and reports, *CSIR Report ENV-S-I 2005-001*, ISBN 0-7988-5560-6, Stellenbosch.

Van Zyl H, de Wit M, Munster F, Lochner P, Gerber G, 2005. Economics in Environmental Impact Assessment: demystifying the theory and practice, *In: Conference Proceedings of the IAIA South Africa 2005 Annual National Conference*. South Africa.

Lochner P, Weaver A, Gelderblom C, Peart R, Sandwith T and Fowkes S, 2003. Aligning the diverse: the development of a biodiversity conservation strategy for the Cape Floristic Region. *Biological Conservation Vol. 112*, ISSN: 0006-3207.

Lochner P, Münster F, Msutu M, Wren S, 2003. The role of stakeholder engagement in the EIA for the Coega Aluminium Smelter. *In: Conference Proceedings of the IAIA South Africa 2003 Annual National Conference*. ISBN 1-919891-04-8. South Africa.

Lochner P, Brooks W, Pesch P & Münster M. 2003, Stakeholder engagement process in the EIA of an aluminium smelter, Published in *Light Metals 2003* (Ed. Paul Crepeau), Published by TMS (the Minerals, Metals & Materials Society), ISBN Number 0-87339-531-X, USA.

Rossouw N, Audouin M, Lochner P, Heather-Clark S and Wiseman K, 2000. Development of strategic environmental assessment in South Africa. *Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal*. Vol 18, no. 3, pp 217-223. United Kingdom.

Lochner P and Fowkes S, 2000. Building partnerships for the conservation of the biodiversity of the Cape Floral Kingdom: experiences and lessons learnt from the Cape Action Plan for the Environment. *In: IAIA-SA Conference Proceedings 2000*. South Africa.

Lochner P and Rossouw N, 1997. The development of an Environmental Management Plan for incorporating a wetland into a large mixed use development: the Century City example. *In: IAIA-SA Conference Proceedings 1997*. South Africa.

**Language
capability**

	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Writing</i>
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
IsiXhosa	Average	Average	Average

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CSIR PROJECT MANAGER – MINNELISE LEVENDAL

Curriculum Vitae

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Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

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| ▪ M.Sc. (Botany) | Stellenbosch University | 1998 |
| ▪ B.Sc. (Hons.) (Botany) | University of the Western Cape | 1994 |
| ▪ B.Sc. (Education) | University of the Western Cape | 1993 |

MEMBERSHIPS:

- International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA), Western Cape (member of their steering committee from 2001-2003)
- IUCN Commission on Education and Communication (CEC); World Conservation Learning Network (WCLN)
- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
- Society of Conservation Biology (SCB)

EMPLOYMENT RECORD:

- **1995:** Peninsula Technicon. Lecturer in the Horticulture Department.
- **1996:** University of the Western Cape. Lecturer in the Botany Department.
- **1999:** University of Stellenbosch. Research assistant in the Botany Department (3 months)
- **1999:** Bengurion University (Israel). Research assistant (Working in the Arava valley, Negev – Israel; 2 months). Research undertaken was published (see first publication in publication list)
- **1999-2004:** Assistant Director at the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP). Work involved assessing Environmental Impact Assessments and Environmental Management Plans; promoting environmental management and sustainable development.
- **2004 to present:** Employed by the CSIR in Stellenbosch:

- **September 2004 – May 2008:** Biodiversity and Ecosystems Services Group
- **May 2008 to present:** Environmental Management Services Group (EMS)

PROJECT EXPERIENCE RECORD:

The following table presents a list of projects undertaken at the CSIR as well as the role played in each project:

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
2013 (in progress)	EIA for the proposed Saldanha Regional Marine Outfall Project	Project Manager	Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd
2013 (in progress)	EIA for the proposed Amathole wind farm near Butterworth in the Eastern Cape	Project Manager	South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd
2013 (in progress)	BA for a solar PV project near Humansdorp, Eastern Cape	Project Manager	WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd
2013 (in progress)	EIA for the proposed Banna ba pifhu wind energy project, Eastern Cape	Project Manager	WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd
2013 (complete)	BA for wetland crossings near Swellendam	Project Manager	BioTherm Energy (Pty Ltd)
2012 (complete)	EIA for the proposed Ubuntu wind energy project, Eastern Cape, South Africa	Project Manager	WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd
2011 (complete)	EIA for the proposed Excelsior wind farm near Swellendam in the Western Cape	Project Manager	BioTherm Energy (Pty Ltd)
2010 (complete)	Basic Assessment for the erection of two wind monitoring masts near Swellendam and Bredasdorp in the Western Cape	Project Manager	BioTherm Energy (Pty Ltd)
2010 (complete)	EIA for the erection of two wind monitoring masts near Jeffrey's Bay in the Eastern Cape	Project Manager	Windcurrent (Pty) Ltd
2010 (complete)	Basic Assessment Process for the proposed erection of 10 wind monitoring masts as part of the national wind atlas project	Project Manager	Department of Energy and SANERI
2010 (complete)	South Africa's Second National Communication under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	Project Manager	SANBI
2009 (complete)	Environmental screening study for two wind farms near Humansdorp and Jeffrey's Bay in the Eastern Cape	Project Manager	WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd
2009 (complete)	Basic Assessment Report for a proposed boundary wall at the Port of Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape	Project Manager	Transnet Ltd
2008	Developing an Invasive Alien Plant Strategy for the Wild Coast, Eastern Cape,	Co-author	Eastern Cape Parks Board
2006-2008	Monitoring and Evaluation of aspects of Biodiversity	Project Leader	Internal project awarded through the Young Researchers Fund
2006	Integrated veldfire management in South Africa. An assessment of current conditions and future approaches.	Co-author	Working on Fire
2004-2005	Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan Wild Coast, Eastern Cape, SA	Co-author	Wilderness Foundation

Completion Date	Project description	Role	Client
2005	Western Cape State of the Environment Report: Biodiversity section. (Year One).	Project Manager	DEA&DP

PUBLICATIONS:

Bowie, M. (née Levendal) and Ward, D. (2004). Water status of the mistletoe *Plicosepalus acaciae* parasitic on isolated Negev Desert populations of *Acacia raddiana* differing in level of mortality. *Journal of Arid Environments* 56: 487-508.

Wand, S.J.E., Esler, K.J. and **Bowie, M.R.** (2001). Seasonal photosynthetic temperature responses and changes in ^{13}C under varying temperature regimes in leaf-succulent and drought-deciduous shrubs from the Succulent Karoo, South Africa. *South African Journal of Botany* 67:235-243.

Bowie, M.R., Wand, S.J.E. and Esler, K.J. (2000). Seasonal gas exchange responses under three different temperature treatments in a leaf-succulent and a drought-deciduous shrub from the Succulent Karoo. *South African Journal of Botany* 66:118-123.

LANGUAGES

<i>Language</i>	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Writing</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Excellent</i>
<i>Afrikaans</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Excellent</i>



Minnelise Levendal
October 2014

A2: Declarations of Independence

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Paul Lochner(CSIR PROJECT LEADER)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

APPLICATION FOR EIA ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

THE INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP)

I, Paul Lochner, as the appointed independent environmental practitioner ("EAP") hereby declare that I:

- act/ed as the independent EAP in this application;
- regard the information contained in this report 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- have and will not have no vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- have disclosed, to the applicant and competent authority, any material information that have 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- am fully aware of and meet the responsibilities in terms of NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 (specifically in terms of regulation 17 of GN No. R. 543) and any specific environmental management Act, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute and result in disqualification;
- have ensured that information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application 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;
- have ensured that the comments of all interested and affected parties were considered, recorded and submitted to the competent authority in respect of the application;
- have kept a register of all interested and affected parties that participated in the public participation process; and
- 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.
- am aware that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 of GN. No. R. 543.

Note: The terms of reference must be attached.



Signature of the environmental assessment practitioner:

CSIR

Name of company:

25 JULY 2013

Date:

Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd (APPLICANT)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

APPLICATION FOR EIA ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

DECLARATIONS

THE APPLICANT

I Cyril V. Thomas, in my **personal capacity** or **duly authorised** (please circle the applicable option) by Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd thereto hereby declare that I:

- regard the information contained in this form to be true and correct, and
- am fully aware of my responsibilities in terms of the National Environmental Management Act of 1998 ("NEMA") (Act No. 107 of 1998), the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations ("EIA Regulations") in terms of NEMA (Government Notice No. R. 543 refers), and the relevant specific environmental management Act, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute an offence in terms of the environmental legislation;
- appointed the environmental assessment practitioner as indicated above, which meet all the requirements in terms of regulation 17 of GN No. R. 543, to act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner for this application;
- will provide the environmental assessment practitioner and the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal that is relevant to the application;
- will be responsible for the costs incurred in complying with the environmental legislation including but not limited to –
 - o costs incurred in connection with the appointment of the environmental assessment practitioner or any person contracted by the environmental assessment practitioner;
 - o costs incurred in respect of the undertaking of any process required in terms of the regulations;
 - o costs in respect of any fee prescribed by the Minister or MEC in respect of the regulations;
 - o costs in respect of specialist reviews, if the competent authority decides to recover costs; and
 - o the provision of security to ensure compliance with the applicable management and mitigation measures;
- am responsible for complying with the conditions that might be attached to any decision(s) issued by the competent authority; and
- hereby indemnify, the government of the Republic, the competent authority and all its officers, agents and employees, from any liability arising out of, inter alia, the content of any report, any procedure or any action for which the applicant or environmental assessment practitioner is responsible.
- am aware that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 of GN. No. R. 543

Please Note: If acting in a representative capacity, a certified copy of the resolution or power of attorney must be attached.



Signature of the applicant:

Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd

Name of company:

24/7/2013

Date:

Dr Andrea Pulfrich (VOL II, APPENDIX A – MARINE ECOLOGY)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

This report was prepared by Dr Andrea Pulfrich of Pisces Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd. Established in 1998, Pisces has acquired considerable experience in undertaking specialist environmental impact assessments, baseline and monitoring studies, and Environmental Management Programmes relating to marine diamond mining and dredging, hydrocarbon exploration, harbour expansions and thermal/hypersaline effluents.

Andrea has a BSc (Hons) and MSc degree in Zoology from the University of Cape Town and a PhD in Fisheries Biology from the Institute for Marine Science at the Christian-Albrechts University, Kiel, Germany. She is a registered Environmental Assessment Practitioner and member of the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions, South African Institute of Ecologists and Environmental Scientists, and International Association of Impact Assessment (South Africa).

This specialist report was compiled as a desktop study on behalf of the CSIR, Stellenbosch for their use in preparing an Environmental Impact Assessment Report and developing an Environmental Management Plan for the proposed construction, operation and decommissioning of the marine outfall pipeline and associated infrastructure for Frontier Saldanha Utilities (Pty) Ltd in the Saldanha Bay Region, Western Cape. The compilation followed a review process of published (peer reviewed) and unpublished literature and the assessment of potential impacts based on proposed activities and identification of impacts (and their mitigation) within the available literature.

I do hereby declare that Pisces Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd is financially and otherwise independent of the Applicants and CSIR.



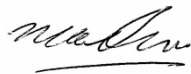
Dr Andrea Pulfrich

Nick Helme (VOL II, APPENDIX B – TERRESTRIAL ECOLOGY)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

In terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act of 1998 specialists involved in Impact Assessment processes must declare their independence and include an abbreviated Curriculum Vitae. (See CV on last page of this document).

I, N.A. Helme, do hereby declare that I am financially and otherwise independent of the client and their consultants, and that all opinions expressed in this document are substantially my own.



NA Helme

***Dr Liz Day (Initial study prepared by Dr Liz Day of Freshwater
Consulting Group for the EIA for the West Coast
Desalination Plant EIA). (VOL II, APPENDIX C – WETLANDS)
Study revised by: Luanita van der Walt (CSIR)***

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Note:

This Declaration of Independence was signed by Dr Liz Day for the undertaking of the Wetland Impact Assessment for the West Coast District Municipality Desalination EIA¹. Luanita van der Walt, a CSIR specialist with a background in biogeochemical landscape functionality, compiled the findings of Dr Day's initial study. No declaration of independence has been provided in terms of Chapter 5 of the NEMA given that Dr Day was not responsible for preparing the SRMO Wetland Impact Assessment.

¹ E, Day. 2012. Wetland Specialist Study as part of the EIA for the proposed construction and operation of a reverse osmosis seawater plant in Saldanha, and associated new infrastructure. The Freshwater Consulting Group, prepared for CSIR.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

29 SEPTEMBER 2014

***Dr Jayson Orton (VOL II, APPENDIX E – HERITAGE (including
Archaeology and Palaeontology))***

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

SPECIALIST DECLARATION

I, JAYSON ORTON, as the appointed independent specialist hereby declare that I:

act/ed as the independent specialist in this application;

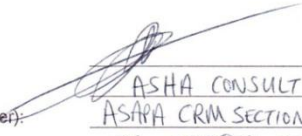
- regard the information contained in this report as it relates to my specialist input/study to be true and correct, and
- do not have and will not have any financial interest in the undertaking of the activity, other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- have and will not have vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- have disclosed, to the applicant, EAP and competent authority, any material information that have 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- am fully aware of and meet the responsibilities in terms of NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 (specifically in terms of regulation 17 of GN No. R. 543) and any specific environmental management Act, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute and result in disqualification;
- 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;
- 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;
- have ensured that the names of all interested and affected parties that participated in terms of the specialist input/study were recorded in the register of interested and affected parties who participated in the public participation process;
- 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 offence in terms of regulation 71 of GN No. R. 543.

Signature of the specialist:

Name of Company:

Professional Registration (Incl. number):

Date:

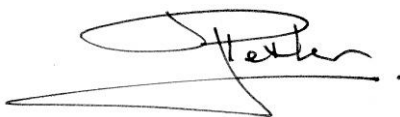

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John Pether (VOL II, APPENDIX E –PALAEOLOGY)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

I ...**John Pether**....., as the appointed independent specialist hereby declare that I:

- act/ed as the independent specialist in the compilation of the above report;
- 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- have and will not have any vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- have disclosed to the EAP 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management act;
- have provided the EAP 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 offence in terms of regulation 71 of GN No. R. 543, 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Pether', with a large, stylized flourish underneath.

Signature of the specialist

Dr Hugo van Zyl (VOL II, APPENDIX F –ECONOMICS)

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

I, Dr Hugo Van Zyl, as the appointed independent specialist hereby declare that I:

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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- have and will not have vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding;
- have disclosed, to the applicant, EAP and competent authority, any material information that have 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, 2010 and any specific environmental management Act;
- am fully aware of and meet the responsibilities in terms of NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010 (specifically in terms of regulation 17 of GN No. R. 543) and any specific environmental management Act, and that failure to comply with these requirements may constitute and result in disqualification;
- 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;
- 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;
- have ensured that the names of all interested and affected parties that participated in terms of the specialist input/study were recorded in the register of interested and affected parties who participated in the public participation process;
- 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 offence in terms of regulation 71 of GN No. R. 543.

Signature of the specialist:



Name of Company:

Independent Economic Researchers

Professional Registration (Incl. number):

N/A

Date:

26 September 2014