

23 July 2013

#### AMENDMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION:

# PROPOSED GILLMER SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY ON FARM NOUPOORT NO. 306 WITHIN THE UMSOBOMVU LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

## NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO AUTHORISATION BY DEA FOR PROJECT REFERENCE 14/12/16/3/3/1/735

Dear Stakeholder,

Gillmer Solar Energy (Pty) Ltd obtained an environmental authorisation for the construction of the proposed Gillmer Solar Energy Facility in May 2013. As a registered interested and affected party on this project, you are now duly notified that the Department of Environmental Affairs has approved Gillmer Solar Energy's request for amendment of the authorisation for the project. The following amendments have been approved:

### FROM:

- \* The facility will require the construction of an overhead distribution power line, connecting to the new TSE substation (to be located on farm Damfontein)
- \* A new 66 kV/132 kV overhead power line of approximately 334 to connect the solar facility to the New gate Substation

### TO:

- \* The facility will require the construction of an overhead distribution power line, to connect into the existing Noupoort substation.
- \* A new 66 kV/132 kV overhead power line of approximately 334 to connect the solar facility to the existing Noupoort Substation.

The amended environmental authorisation (dated 18 July 2013) is attached to this letter of notification. This amendment must be read in conjunction with the Authorisation dated 21 May 2013.

As an interested and affected party your attention is drawn to Chapter 7 of the EIA Regulations which regulates appeal procedures. Should you wish to appeal any aspect of the decision by DEA, you must lodge a notice of intention with the Minister within twenty (20) days of the date of the decision.

A copy of the official appeal form can be obtained from the following person at the Department:

Mr Z Hassam, Director: Appeals and Legal Review

**Tel:** (012) 310 3271

**E-mail:** AppealsDirectorate@environment.gov.za

A copy of the simplified appeals procedure is attached to this letter as part of the authorisation for your easy reference. You must submit your appeal via the following contact details:

**Facsimile:** (012) 320 7561

**Post:** Private Bag X447, Pretoria, 0001

**By hand:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fedsure Building, North Tower, Cnr Lilian Ngoyi (Van Der

Walt) and Pretorius Streets, Pretoria

Please note that *appeals should not be addressed to the consultant* (Savannah Environmental).

Kind Regards

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