



Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu

Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07 VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

To be distributed to all registered **I&APs** on database

25 April 2019

Dear Interest and Affected Party,

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: GREAT KAROO WIND ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE. NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (DEA Ref.: 12/12/20/2370/3)

Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd received an Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the construction of Great Karoo Wind Energy Facility (WEF) and associated infrastructure in the Northern Cape Province (DEA ref: 12/12/20/2370/3) on the 12th of August 2014 (as subsequently amended on 25 July 2016 and 5 May 2017)

The following amendments are being applied for:

- » Increase the turbine specification:
 - Rotor diameter: Range from up to 140m, to up to 180m;
 - Hub height: Range from up to 120m, to up to 150m; and
 - Wind turbine capacity: Range from up to 3,6MW, to up to 6,5MW.
- » Amendment of Wind Farm layout;
- » Extent the validity of the EA by 5 years; and
- » Amendment of the EA condition 13.2 and condition 49 to specify that the final layout must be approved by an avifaunal specialist.

The proposed amendments in themselves are not listed activities and do not trigger any new listed activity as the proposed amendments are within the original authorised development footprint and do not change the scope of the EA.

In terms of Condition 5 of the Environmental Authorisation and Chapter 5 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended on 07 April 2017), it is possible for an applicant to apply, in writing, to the competent authority for a change or deviation from the project description to be approved. Savannah Environmental has prepared a motivation report in support of this amendment application on behalf of Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd.

The Motivation Report is available at the Sutherland Public Library, Sarel Cilliers Street, Sutherland, for public review and comment between **Friday**, **26 April 2019** and **Wednesday**, **29 May 2019**, and can also be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website (https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/). The due date for written comment is **Wednesday**, **29 May 2019**.

All comments received will be included in the final Motivation Report which will be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) for review and decision-making.

You and/or the organisation, which you represent, has been identified as an I&AP for the application for amended of the EA. Should you have an interest in the application, please register yourself as an I&AP by submitting your details to the contact person below. By registering on the application database, you will be kept informed of the application process being undertaken and will be provided with an opportunity to provide comment and input.

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

Kind regards

Nicolene Venter

Public Participation and Social Consultant Email: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

Proof of Distribution (to be included in Final Motivation Report)



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Personalised letters will be distributed to affected and adjacent landowners

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LANDOWNER'S ADDRESS

Per e-mail: email address

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You and/or the organisation which you represent have been identified as a directly affected or adjacent property owner that could be impacted by the application for amendment to the EA. The EIA Regulations require that the owner or person in control of the land as well as occupiers of the affected and adjacent properties, which could be impacted by the project, are informed of the process in writing. In this regard, please could you kindly inform any other persons (tenants, employees, farm managers and workers etc.) residing on your property of this application for amended EA. Should you or any other occupier of your property have an interest in this application, please register yourselves as Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) by registering your interest in the application to the contact person below.

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