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### **Nicolene Venter**

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Sent:	Friday, 13 May 2022 14:52
То:	A Phete
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Subject:	SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of
	Availability of EIArs & BA Report for review & comment and Invitation to Information
	Session
Attachments:	SE3125-Great_Karoo_ElArs&BAR_Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3125-
	Great_Karoo_InfoSession_RegForm-FINAL.pdf

## GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

#### (DFFE Reference Nos.:

- Merino WEF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2114
  - Kwana PV: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2118
  - Moiri PV: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2116
  - Nku PV: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2115

• Grid Connection Infrastructure (To be issued)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms.

Please find attached for your perusal the notification letter informing you of the availability of the Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIArs) and the Basic Assessment (BA) Report for your review and comments. The EIArs are available for downloading from our website <u>click here</u> and the BA Report is available on our website <u>click here</u>.

#### INVITATION TO THE INFORMATION SESSION:

The attached letter also serves to invite you to attend the Information Session to be held on Thursday, 26 May 2022 at 17h00 at the Richmond Town Hall. Please complete the attached Registration Form to confirm your attendance.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the EIA and BA Processes.

Kind regards, Unsubscribe this type of email



Nicolene Venter Public Process SAWEA Award for Leading Environmental Consultant on Wind Projects in 2013 & 2015



Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07 VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

13 May 2021

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

## GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

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#### NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORTS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

The development of the three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, the 140MW Merino Wind Energy Facility, 140MW Angora Wind Energy Facility and the Grid Connection Infrastructure for which separate Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes and a combined Public Participation Process are being conducted, namely:

Solar PV Facilities	Wind Energy Facilities
Nku Solar PV Facility	Angora Wind Energy Facility
Moriri Solar PV Facility	Merino Wind Energy Facility
Kwana Solar PV Facility	
Grid Connection Infrastructure	
Central collector 132kV substation and a double	e circuit 132kV power line to the existing Eskom
Gamma Substation	

The detailed project information that was provided in the Background Information Document (BID) distributed on 21 October 2021, has reference.

# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIArs) for each of the renewable energy facilities listed above are available for review and comment from **Friday**, **13 May 2022** until **Monday**, **13 June 2022**. The reports are available for download from the Savannah Environmental website <a href="https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-great-karoo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/">https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-great-karoo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/</a>.

The Basic Assessment Report (BAR) for the Grid Connection Infrastructure is available for review and comment from **Friday**, **20 May 2022** until **Monday**, **20 June 2022**. The reports are available for download from the Savannah Environmental website <u>https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/the-great-karoo-cluster-grid-connection-infrastructure/.</u>

**Angora WEF:** Please note that the availability of the Angora WEF EIA Report for a 30-day review and comment period will be communicated in due course.

Please note Regulation 3(1) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, i.e.:

Subject to subregulations (2) and (3), when a period of days must in terms of these Regulations be reckoned from or after a particular day, that period must be reckoned as from the start of the day following that particular day to the end of the last day of the period, but if the last day of the period fails on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, that period must be extended to the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday.

Although the ElArs for the renewable energy facilities will be available during the course of the day on Friday, 13 May 2022, Saturday, 14 May 2022 would be the first day of your 30-day review and comment period. The due date for written comments is <u>Monday</u>, 13 June 2022. Similarly for Grid Connection Infrastructure BAR that will be available during the course of the day on Friday, 20 May 2022, Saturday, 21 May 2022 would be the first day of your 30-day review and comment period. The due date for written comments is <u>Monday</u>, 20 June 2022.

As per our approved public participation plan submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), you can also request that an electronic copy of the Scoping Reports be sent to you via file transfer services such as WeTransfer or Dropbox.

Please submit your written comments on the ElArs and BAR via one of the following means:

- Telephone: 011 656 3237
- Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including please call me)
- Fax: 086 684 0547
- E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

All comments should be addressed to Nicolene Venter at Savannah Environmental.

All comments received during the 30-day review and comment periods will be recorded and included in the Final ElArs and Final BAR for submission to the DFFE in line with Regulation 44 of the ElA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326).

#### INVITATION TO INFORMATION SESSION

You are invited to attend the Information Session which will take place at the Richmond Town Hall on **Thursday, 26 May 2022** starting with a poster display at **17h00**, after which those that are interested in attending the presentation can attend the presentation which will start at **17h30**. The Information Session will take place in compliance with the current COVID-19 protocols, and I&APs are therefore required to register their attendance before or on <u>Monday, 23 May 2022</u>. Please complete the attached registration form and return to Nicolene Venter or send a WhatsApp / SMS or e=mail to Nicolene (details above) to register your attendance.

We are looking forward to your participation in the public participation processes for these projects as your valuable contribution to the proposed projects will ensure an inclusive approach and allow the DFFE to make an informed decision.

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: <u>publicprocess@savannahsa.com</u>

**Document included:** Information Session Registration Form



#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

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## Information Session Registration Form Thursday, 26 May 2022

Return completed registration form to: Nicolene Venter of Savannah Environmental Phone: 011 656 3237 / Mobile (incl. 'please call me'): 060 978 8396 / Fax: 086 684 0547 E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com Postal Address: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157 Your registration for the Information Sessions will be applicable for these projects only and your contact details provided are protected by the POPI Act of 2013

#### Please provide your complete contact details:

Name Surname:	&		
Organisation:			
Designation:			
Postal Address:			
Telephone:		Fax:	
Mobile:			
E-mail:			

I would you like to register my attendance at the Information Session taking place on Thursday, 26 May 2022 as

follows: (please tick  $\sqrt{}$  the relevant box)

SESSION	TIME	YES	NO
Poster Session	17h00 until 17h30		
Presentation	17h30		

#### Please provide contact details of any other persons who you regard as a potential interested or affected party:

Name & Surname:	
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# SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of EIArs & BA Report for review & comment and Invitation to Information Session (POE)

Date: Friday, 13 May 2022 Time: 14:50

Company	Last Name	First Name
	Cafoor	Gafoor
	Cafoor	Justin
	Chambers	Joshua
	Cilliers	Piet
	Cronje	Jaco
	De Vos	GA
	De Vries	Andre
	Els	Harry
	Fakier	Faisal
	Frans	Rhano
	Haupt	Paul
	Hugo	Danny
	Martin	Paul
	McKey	Kevin
	Nomajama	Dyasi
	Olivier	Leon
	Pieterse	Johannes
	Reynolds	Kobus
	Rimbault	Linsey
	Seymour	Alistair
	Smith	Desmond
	Springbok	Sammy-Lee
	Van den Heever	JW
	Van Heerden	Denver
	Victor	Jan
	Winter	Sarah
4 Stone Buildings (Pty) Ltd	Levington	Mike
ABO Wind renewable energies (Pty) Ltd	Malherbe	Du Toit
AEP	Smith	Peter
AEP Mogbe Soklar	Peinke	David
African Clean Energy Development (ACED)	Kot	Stephnie
African Farmers Association of South Africa	Mahlati	Vuyo
Agri Northern Cape	Anthonissen	Eben
Agri Northern Cape	De Wet	Hannes
Agri Northern Cape	Jansen	Nicol
Agri Northern Cape	Symington	Willem
Agri Northern Cape	Van Rensburg	Wiaan
AgriSA	Rabie	Janse
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe
Atlantic Energy Partners	Peinke	David
Atlantic Renewable Energy Partners (Pty) Ltd	Hill	Amy
Beaufort West Local Municipality	Haarhoss	Kosie

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Beaufort West Local Municipality	Van Staden	R	_
Beaufort West Local Municipality	Visser	Amanda	
Bellatrix Solar PV Project (Pty) Ltd		Kate	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston-Paton	Samantha	
Blue Sky Solar (Pty) Ltd		Genevieve	
Blue Sky Solar (Pty) Ltd	•	James	
Brakpoort 75MW PV Solar Farm	McGillivrai	John	
Cell C	Joubert	Brian	
Cell C	Kasseepursad	Harish	
Cell C	Otto	Marius	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Brown	Barbara	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Goeieman	Levona	_
Central Karoo District Municipality	Jonkers	J	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Jooste	S	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Koopman	Andre	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Nakani	Phumezo	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Nortje	Nicola	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Rust	Hein	
Central Karoo District Municipality	Theron	Kobus	+
Central Karoo District Municipality	Twani	Thobeka	_
Central Karoo District Municipality	van Tonder	ADDUCINA	_
Central Karoo District Municipality	van Tonder van Zyl	Gerrit	_
Co-operative Governance & Traditional Affairs	Fatyelwa	Eveline	_
Co-Operative Governance & Traditional Leaders	Diphofa	Mashwahle	_
Department of Energy	Qase	Nomawethu	_
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Buthelezi	Thoko	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Khumalo	Thulie N	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Lekota	Seoka	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Marubini	Mashudu	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Kika	Ntsikelelo	
	Mabaso		
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Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Maphinda	Mthetheleli Pheladi	_
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Masipa Mocumi		_
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy		Precious	_
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Mutheiwana	Kevin	_
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Nieuwoudt	Jasper	_
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Swart	Pieter	_
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Du Toit	Mangalane	_
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Makgalemele	Nozizwe	_
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Moeketsi	Kgotso	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Ntloko-Gobodo	Nomfundo	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Sehularo	Lorato	
Department of Science and Technology	Kgampe	Mere	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Cloete	Shaun	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Dweni	Ncmile	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Franks	Lindiwe	_
Department of Water and Sanitation	Hlengani	Alexia	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mahunonyane	Moses	_
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mokhoantle	Lerato	-+
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shibambu	Steven	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Streuders	Kobus	
DNV-GL	Fyvie	Richard	
Drivequip (Pty) Ltd	Andrag	Louis	
Earthlife Africa	Lekalakala (Secretary)	Makoma	
EDF Renewables (South Africa)	Dewavrin	Louis	

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Endangered Wildlife Trust	Hoogstad	Constant	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Khanye	Nondwe	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	van Gensen	Andrea	
Farm Grootaar	Erasmus (Jnr)	Casper	
Farm Grootaar	Van den Heever	Stephanus	
Federation for Sustainable Environment	Liefferink	Mariette	
Houdenbeck 222	van der Merwe	Pieter	
JFC General Service Provider	Christoffels	Johnny	
Mainstream Renewable South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Dean	David	
Mainstream WF&PV Victoria West	Thomas	Rebecca	
MTN	Grey	Ms S (Sherly)	
MTN	Nel	Renier	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Gxasheka	Andile	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Khumalo	Siphiwe	Γ
NC - SA San Council	Louw	Collin	
NC Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements & Traditional Affairs	Botha	G	Γ
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NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Cloete	Peter	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	De la Fontaine	Samantha	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Mothibi	Viljoen	
NC Dept of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (Provincial)	Mans	Jacoline	
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (N Cape Prov Heritage Resource Authority)	Ratha	Timothy	Γ
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (NCPHRA)	Timothy	Andrew	Γ
Northern Cape Chamber of Commerce & Industry (NOCCI)	Steyn	Sharon	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture	Modise	Lerato	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture	Mogorosi	Zanele	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Diteme	Ali	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Mothibi	Wonders Dimakatso Viljoen	
Northern Cape Department of Co-operative Governance	Phete	A	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	Ndzumo	Onwabile	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	Uys	Natalie	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation	van Heerden	Denver	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Roads & Public Works	Roelofse	Jaco	Γ
Northern Cape Department of Roads & Public Works	Sithole	Menelisi	
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Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Badenhorst	Dewald	
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Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Swart	Elsabe	
Northern Cape Economic Development Agency	Mbobo	Babalwa	
Northern Cape Tourism	McKuchane	Peter	
openServe (on behalf of Telkom SA Ltd)	Groenewald	Vivian	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Bosch	Beatrice	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Jaggers	Rachel	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Moloi	Napo	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Pieterse	Rodney	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Present	Passie	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Sibeko	Asanda	
Ratelfontein Private Nature Reserve	Pickard	Jan	
Red Cap Energy	Jones	Kirsten	
Richmond Chamber of Commerce	Rundle	Len	
SAHRA	Higgitt	Natasha	
SANRAL	Abrahams	Nicole	
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Sirius Power (Pty) Ltd SOLA Group	David Maroga	Nunez Reuben	
South African Astronomical Observatory	Williams	Ted	
South African Bat Assessment Advisory Panel (SABAAP)	MacEwan	Kate	
South African Bat Assessment Association	Lotter	Caroline	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Mukoki	Alan	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Wadi	Albert	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Stroh	Lizelle	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Vilakazi	Zwelithini	
South African Civilian Aviation Authority	Jakavula	Zukisani	
South African Department of Defence	Zondi	Lt. Col. Kebasenosi	
South African Local Government Association (SALGA)	George	Xolile	
South African National Parks	Novellie	Peter	
South African National Parks (SANP)	Daphne	Paul	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Matlhane	Selaelo	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Monama	Tshegofatso	_
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South African Weather Services	Mofokeng		
South African Weather Services	Ngoepe	Webster	
South African Weather Services	Petlane	Bernard	
South African Wind Energy Association (SAWEA)	van den Berg	Johan	
Subsolar Energy (Pty) Ltd	Fasasie	Stephanie	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Bester	Amanda	
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Shaw	Leonard	
The Green Connection	Allie	Sakeena	
The Green Connection	Arkert	Jan	
The Green Connection	Arkert	Linda	
The Green Connection	Hamilton	Gillian	
The Green Connection	Modise	Ketshepaone	
The Green Connection	Van Rooy	Neville	
Transnet Freight Rail	Maharaj	Verishnee	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Kilian	Geraldine	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Mathebula	Futhi	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Njonga	Andiswa	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Arends	K.J.	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Fillis	Martin	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Jacobs	Hendri	
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Ubuntu Local Municipality	Maphosa	Debere	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Moses	Rashilda	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Nkontwana	Miriam	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Piquer	Jill	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Robertson	Collin	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Scholtz	H.E.	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Tolken	Johan	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Tsoarelo	Israel	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	van Standen	Bonita	
Ubuntu Local Municipality	Vorster	Erica	
Ubuntu Youth Forum Foundation	Jantjies	D	
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Vodacom	Barnard	Hennie	
Vodacom	Fourie	Nico	
WESSA Northern Cape Region	Erasmus	Suzanne	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	Wesson	John	
Windlab Developments South Africa	Harding	Joseph	
Windlab Developments South Africa (Pty) Ltd	Jackson	Francis	
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	Abrahams	Zakiya	
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#### **Nicolene Venter**

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То:	A Phete
Cc:	Nicolene Venter
Subject:	SE3125: Great Karoo Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - BA Report review and
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#### GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2554)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Our notification letter dated 13 May 2022 in which you, as registered Interested and Affected Party (I&AP), was informed that the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) is available for your review and comment, has reference.

This e-mail serves to inform you that the review and comment period for the BAR is ending on Monday, 20 June 2022.

The BAR is available for download from Savannah Environmental's website click here

We would like to thank those stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments and urge those who had not yet done so, to please submit your written comments before or on Monday, 20 June 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information or clarification.

Kind regards, Unsubscribe this type of email



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# SE3125: Great Karoo Renewable Cluster - Reminder Notification: BA Report review and comment period ending soon (POE)

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	Barders	Hendrik
	Cafoor	Gafoor
	Cafoor	Justin
	Chambers	Joshua
	Cilliers	Piet
	Cronje	Jaco
	De Vos	Gerrit
	De Vries	Andre
	Els	Harry
	Fakier	Faisal
	Ferris	Cletin
	Fezile	Olifant
	Frans	Rhano
	George	M
	Haupt	Paul
	Hugo	Danny
	Jacobs	R
	Louw	Marco
	Makaleni	Chalett
	Martin	Paul
	МсКеу	Kevin
	Nomajama	Dyasi
	Oliphant	Primrose
	Olivier	Leon
	Pieterse	Johannes
	Plaatjies	Dominique
	Reynolds	Kobus
	Rimbault	Linsey
	Saaiman	Francois
	Schaap	Gustav
	Seymour	Alistair
	Smith	Desmond
	Springbok	Sammy-Lee
	Synman	Thobela
	Van den Heever	JW
	Van Heerden	Denver
	Victor	Jan
	Watala	
	Winter	Sarah
Stone Buildings (Pty) Ltd	Levington	Mike
ABO Wind renewable energies (Pty) Ltd	Malherbe	Du Toit
	Smith	Peter
AEP Mogbe Soklar	Peinke	David

African Clean Energy Development (ACED) African Farmers Association of South Africa	Kot Mahlati	Stephnie Vuyo
Agri Northern Cape	Anthonissen	Eben
Agri Northern Cape	De Wet	Hannes
Agri Northern Cape	Jansen	Nicol
Agri Northern Cape	Symington	Willem
Agri Northern Cape	Van Rensburg	Wiaan
AgriSA	Rabie	Janse
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Nkosi	Vusi
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Pheme	Purity
Atlantic Energy Partners	Peinke	David
Atlantic Renewable Energy Partners (Pty) Ltd	Hill	Amy
Beaufort West Local Municipality	Haarhoss	Kosie
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• •	Nkungwana Penxa	
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#### NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT, BASIC ASSESSMENT & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESSES FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

#### Applicant: Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd.

Proposed Activity: Establishment of three (3) Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Energy Facilities, two (2) Wind Energy Facilities & grid connection infrastructure comprising a 132kV central collector substation & a 132kV power line to enable the connection of five (5) renewable energy facilities to the national grid for the evacuation of the generated electricity. The connection point to the national grid will be the existing Eskom Gamma Substation. Infrastructure associated with each project includes:

Solar Energy Facilities	Wind Energy Facilities	Grid Connection Infrastructure			
<ul> <li>Solar PV array comprising PV modules &amp; mounting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wind turbines.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Central collector substation which consists of:</li> </ul>			
structures.	<ul> <li>Concrete turbine foundations &amp; turbine</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>33/132kV collector substation.</li> </ul>			
Inverters & transformers.	hardstands.				
		<ul> <li>Associated equipment, infrastructure, &amp;</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Cabling between the panels.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inverters &amp; transformers.</li> </ul>	buildings.			
33/132kV onsite facility substation.	<ul> <li>Temporary laydown areas which will</li> </ul>	* Temporary & permanent laydown areas.			
	accommodate storage & assembly areas.				
Cabling from the onsite substation to the collector		<ul> <li>Distribution Line:</li> </ul>			
substation (either underground or overhead).	<ul> <li>Cabling between the turbines, to be laid</li> </ul>				
	underground where practical.	<ul> <li>A double-circuit 132kV distribution line to</li> </ul>			
Electrical & auxiliary equipment required at the		connect the central collector 132kV substation to the			
collector substation that serves that solar energy	<ul> <li>A temporary concrete batching plant.</li> </ul>	existing Eskom Gamma Substation will be constructed			
acility, including switchyard/bay, control building,					
ences, etc.	<ul> <li>33/132kV onsite facility substation.</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).</li> </ul>	» Underground cabling from the onsite substation				
	to the collector substation.				
Site offices & maintenance buildings, including					
workshop areas for maintenance & storage.	<ul> <li>Electrical &amp; auxiliary equipment required at the</li> </ul>				
	collector substation that serves that wind energy				
Laydown areas.	facility, including switchyard/bay, control building,				
	fences, etc.				
Access roads & internal distribution roads.					
	<ul> <li>Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Access roads &amp; internal distribution roads.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Site offices &amp; maintenance buildings, including.</li> </ul>				
	workshop areas for maintenance & storage.				

Project Location: The five (5) proposed renewable energy facilities, along with their associated grid connection infrastructure, are located approximately 35km South-West of Richmond along the N1 and approximately 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province, within the Ubuntu Local Municipality, and the Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality. A portion (approximately 2km) of the grid corridor fails within the Beaufort West Local Municipality which forms part of the Central Karoo District Municipality in the Western Cape Province.

Collector Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI)				
Project	Properties			
Collector EGI (132kV)	» Portion 0 of Farm Annex Rondavel 86	» Portion 1 of Farm Nieuwe Fontein 89		
	» Portion 1 of Farm Uit Vlugt Fontein 265	» Portion 0 of Farm Rondavel 85		
	» Portion 0 of Farm Wynandsfontein 91	» Portion 1 of Farm Rondavel 85		
	» Portion 1 of Farm Wynandsfontein 91	» Portion 0 of Farm Kleinfontein 93		
	» Portion 3 of Farm Viekfontein 90	» Portion 1 of Farm Bult & Rietfontein 96		
	» Portion 0 of Farm Niuewe Fontein 89	» Remaining extent of Portion 3 of Farm Schietkuil		
	» Portion 0 of Farm Burgersfontein 92			

Scoping & Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) & Basic Assessment (BA) Processes: In terms of Sections 24 & 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 – R327, as amended, a S&EIA process is required for each renewable energy facility. Similarly, a BA process is required for the grid connection infrastructure. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required S&EIA, BA, & public participation processes for these projects.

EIA Reports & BA Report available for review & comment. The EIA Reports for the PV facilities and the Merino Wind Farm are available for download, review, & comment on the Savannah Environmental website (see applicable links in tables above). The 30-day review & comment period of the EIA Reports is from Friday, 13 May 2022 until Monday, 13 June 2022. The 30-day review & comment period of the <u>BA Report for the grid connection infrastructure</u> is from Friday, 20 May 2022 until Monday, 20 June 2022. The availability of the <u>EIA Report for the Angora Wind Farm</u>, as well as the 30-day review and comment period will be communicated in due course.

Information Session: Interested and affected parties (I&APs) are invited to attend the Information Session which will take place at Richmond Town Hall on Thursday, 26 May 2022 at 17h00. The Information Session will start with a poster display at 17h00 after which those that are interested in attending the presentation can attend the presentation which will start at 17h30. The Information Session will take place in compliance with the current COVID-19 protocols, and I&APs are therefore required to register their attendance. Please contact Nicolene Venter (details below) to register your attendance.

To obtain further information & register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information & interest in the project to the contact person below:

Nicolene Venter or Nondumiso Bulunga at Savannah Environmental P.O. Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157 Tel: 011 656 3237 Fax: 086 684 0547 Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including please call me) Email: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

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Appendix K - Specialist Declaration of Interest

Appendix L - Maps (A3)

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Appendix N - Generic EMPr for Overhead Power Lines

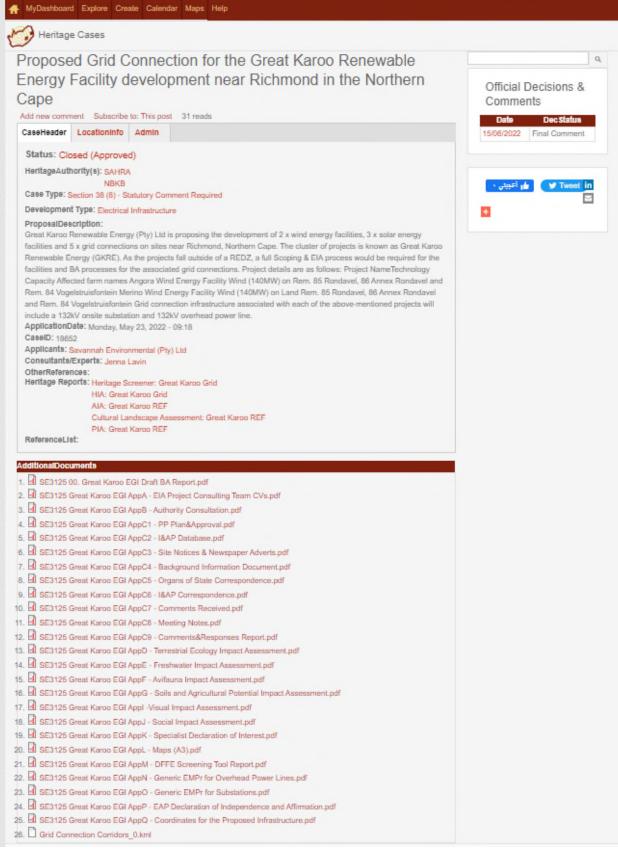
Appendix O - Generic EMPr for Substations

Appendix P - EAP Declaration of Independence and Affirmation

Appendix Q - Coordinates for the Proposed Infrastructure

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# Notification of initiation of EIA & Public Participation Process



Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07 VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

21 October 2021

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

#### PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (DEFF Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

#### NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESSES

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, including Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI), ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms. The grid connection infrastructure for all projects will include one central collector 132kV substation and a double circuit 132kV power line to the existing Eskom Gamma Substation, located within the Western Cape Province.

Each renewable energy facility will be constructed as a separate stand-alone project and therefore, separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes will be undertaken for each of the renewable energy facilities. Similarly, the grid connection solution will be subjected to a separate Basic Assessment (BA) process which will consider feasible alternatives for the power line corridors. A combined six (6) applications for Environmental Authorisation (EA) are currently being pursued as follows:

- » Two (2) wind farm EAs:
  - o Angora Wind Energy Facility
  - Merino Wind Energy Facility
- Three (3) solar PV facility EAs:
  - o Nku Solar PV Facility
  - o Moiriro Solar PV Facility
  - o Kwana Solar PV Facility
- One (1) Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI)
  - o A central collector 132kV substation and double circuit 132kV power line EA.

Additional technical information regarding these renewable energy facilities is available in the Background Information Document attached to this notification letter.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

In accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended) published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the applicants require Environmental Authorisation (EA) from the National Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DFFE) in consultation with the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform (DAEARD&LR) and the Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) for the development of the proposed projects. In terms of Section 24(5) of NEMA, the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended) and Listing Notices (GNR 327, GNR 325, and GNR 324), the five (5) applications for EA for the renewable energy facilities are subject to the completion of Scoping/EIA processes, and that for the EGI is subject to the completion of a BA process. Each application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

The proponent has appointed Savannah Environmental, as the independent environmental consultant to undertake the EIA processes for the projects to identify and assess all potential environmental impacts associated with the projects and recommend appropriate mitigation measures in the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPrs).

Due to the proximity of the renewable energy facilities and their associated grid connection solution to one another, the public participation processes for the projects will be undertaken concurrently, providing the public with an opportunity to understand and provide comment on all the projects. The Public Participation Plan submitted to the DFFE and this approach was approved by the DFFE on 15 September 2021. As part of the environmental studies, Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) will be actively involved through the public involvement process being undertaken by Savannah Environmental.

You and/or the organization/company, which you represent, have been identified as a stakeholder for the proposed projects as described above. The nature and extent of the solar PV, wind energy facilities, the EGI and associated infrastructure are explored in more detail in the BID which is attached to this letter and is also available for download from the Savannah Environmental website <a href="https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-great-karoo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/">https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-great-karoo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/</a>.

#### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

The public participation (PP) process will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326). The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- information containing all relevant facts in respect of the proposed project is made available to potential stakeholders and I&APs;
- » participation by I&APs is facilitated in such a manner that all potential stakeholders and I&APs are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed project; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

The restrictions enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096 which placed the country in a national state of disaster limiting the movement and gathering of people to curb the spread of the

COVID-19 virus has placed some limitations on how public consultation can be conducted as part of an EIA processes. The consultation process for these projects has been designed considering these limitations, and the implementation is in line with our public participation plan, as approved by the DFFE. Savannah Environmental have established an online stakeholder engagement platform, where you are invited to register your interest in the project/s, and view project documentation. Please visit our website: <u>https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-greatkaroo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/</u>.

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities or access to internet, alternative means for consultation and to facilitate comment on the projects will be made, including consulting with the Ward Councillor, the ward committee members, community representatives and local community forum members.

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: <u>publicprocess@savannahsa.com</u>

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Dear Alexia,

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Kind regards, Nicolene Venter Public Participation & Social Consultant Savannah Environmental

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