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Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR BASIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESSES FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF TWO PV POWER STATIONS NEAR DOUGLAS, NORTHERN CAPE – SUNTRACE AFRICA (PTY) LTD

Appendix A: Background Information Document

1. Van Zyl Environmental Consultants has been appointed as environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) by Suntrace Africa (Pty) Ltd, to conduct basic environmental impact assessments in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, published in Government Notice No. R. 543 (Government Gazette No. 33306, dated 18 June 2010) in terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), with regard to their intended development of two PV power stations near Douglas, Northern Cape (details provided in the attached background information document).

2. As part of the public participation process you are hereby invited to submit your comments and/or objections with regard to the proposed developments to the EAP.

3. In order to be included in the draft basic assessment reports that will be made available for public perusal; your comments must reach the EAP no later than **Tuesday**, **17 April 2012**. If no correspondence has been received from you by this date, it would be assumed that you do not wish to submit any comments on or objections to the proposed development at this stage of the project.

4. Please note that this public participation process is subject to a time schedule to which the EAP must keep. Your prompt response would be dearly appreciated, as this would ensure that your comments and/or objections would be received in time to be included in the abovementioned report.

5. The draft basic assessment report and environmental management programme, which will contain sufficient information to enable you to submit informed and relevant comments, will be made available to you by the EAP.

6. The EAP can be contacted for any enquiries.

Yours sincerely,

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