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Dear Stakeholder,

## NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS BRYPAAL SOLAR POWER (PV) PROJECT NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

## **NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT**

Vintage Energy Pty Ltd ("the Developer & Applicant") propose the construction and operation of a photovoltaic (PV) power plant and associated infrastructure, with a contracted capacity of up to 100 megawatts (MW). The project is to be known as the Brypaal Solar Power (PV) Project. The project site is located approximately 60 km south south-west of Kakamas within the jurisdiction of the Kai !Garib Local Municipality which forms part of the ZF Mgcawu District Municipality. The site of the proposed Brypaal Solar Power (PV) Project is situated on remainder of Portion 4 of the farm Brypaal No. 134.

The Brypaal Solar Power (PV) Project will have a contracted capacity of 100MW. The site identified for the Brypaal Solar Power (PV) Project is proposed to accommodate both the solar PV panels as well as the associated infrastructure.

In terms of section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (Act no 107 of 1998), as read with New Version Regulations GN R324-327(2017) (as amended), an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process has been undertaken for the project. The National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) is the competent authority. The application has not been registered with the DEA yet.

Vintage Energy Pty Ltd has appointed Boscia Environmental Solutions, as the independent environmental consultant, to undertake the required EIA to identify and assess all the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed project, and propose appropriate mitigation and management measures in an Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).

## AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

A Draft Scoping Report, for the proposed project, has been prepared by Boscia Environmental Solutions and is available for public review. The 30-day review period is from **29 June 2017 – 28 July 2017**. The report can also be obtained on request at **pietwvd@gmail.com or cindyfaul35@yahoo.com**. The due date for written comment is **4 August 2017**.

Could you kindly submit formal comments by sending written correspondence in this regard. All comments received will be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report, which will be submitted to the DEA. Comments can be made as written submission of post or email.

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

Kind regards, Ms. Cindy Faul Boscia Environmental Solutions

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