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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR COMMENT ON THE

THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 400 MW SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (PHASE 3) ON THE REMAINDER OF FARM GOEDE HOOP 26C, PORTION 3 OF FARM GOEDE HOOP 26C AND OTHER PROPERTIES, BETWEEN DE AAR & HANOVER. EMTHANJENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY. PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE, SOUTH AFRICA.

Dear Registered Interested and Affected Party (I&AP),

The Draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for the abovementioned project has been completed and is now available for review and comment from registered Stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP's). A digital copy of the report has been made available on the ecoleges website (www.ecoleges.co.za). Access the report by clicking on the "I&AP Area" icon (top right corner) and entering the following login details:

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Please submit comments, including any issues which you believe may be of significance to the consideration of the application as well any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest which you may have in the approval or refusal of the application, in writing to Ms S. Farnsworth on or before 12th December 2022.

Comments may be submitted via post, telephone, fax or e-mail to:

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MEMBERS: J.A. Bowers (M Tech, Pr.Sci.Nat.) & S.D. MacGregor (M.Sc., Pr.Sci.Nat.)

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State Departments, which administer a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to this application, are reminded in terms of Regulation 43(2) of the EIA Regulations (2014), GNR 326, as amended, to comment within 30 days.

Should no comment be received within the 30-day commenting period ending **12**th **December 2022**, it will be assumed that the relevant I&AP or State Department has no comment to provide.

All comments received in response to the Draft EIA will be incorporated into the Final EIA Report, which will be submitted to the Competent Authority, being the National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE), for a decision on environmental authorisation. All registered I&APs will be notified of the Department's decision to grant or refuse environmental authorisation.

Yours sincerely,



Shannon Farnsworth

Professional Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Reg. EAP (EAPASA - 2020/176)