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COPIES OF COMMENTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE REVIEW OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT



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2012/05/3

Dear Sir/Madam

This serves as a notice of receipt and confirms that your application has been captured in our electronic AgriLand tracking and management system. It is strongly recommended that you use the on-line AgriLand application facility in future.

Detail of your application as captured:

Type: **EIA: Biofuels Processing Plant**
Your reference number: **14/12/16/3/3/2/321**
Property Description:
Date: **24 April 2012**

Please use the following reference number in all enquiries:

AgriLand reference number: 2012_05_0039

Enquiries can be made to the above postal, fax or e-mail address.

Yours sincerely,

HJ Buys
pp **DIRECTOR: LAND USE AND SOIL MANAGEMENT**

Online application available at: <http://www.agis.agric.za/agriland>

From: Sandy Wren [sandy@publicprocess.co.za]
Sent: 09 May 2012 11:24 AM
To: 'John Geeringh'
Subject: RE: PhytoAmandla biofuels plant in Coega Zone 5
Attachments: PhytoAmandla-Background Information Document-23April2012.pdf;
PhytoAmandla - Comment form pre scoping - final - 18April2012.doc; PhytoAmandla - Let 1 - pre
scoping - final for merging - 18April2012.pdf

Hi John,

We will ensure you are placed on the I&AP database, attached is information available on the
project at this stage of the process.

regards

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From: John Geeringh [<mailto:GeerinJH@eskom.co.za>]
Sent: 08 May 2012 02:40 PM
To: sandy@publicprocess.co.za
Subject: PhytoAmandla biofuels plant in Coega Zone 5

The project reference 14/12/16/3/3/2/231 refers. Please register me as an IAP.

Regards

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From: Mike Cohen [steenbok@aerosat.co.za]
Sent: 05 May 2012 03:47 PM
To: SANDY@PUBLICPROCESS.CO.ZA
Subject: Phyto Amandla - Biofuels

Hi Sandy

Hope that you are well.

Please register us as an Interested Party for the above project

Many thanks and best regards
Mike



Dr Mike Cohen
Director

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From: Patrick Cull [pdhcull@iafrica.com]
Sent: 24 April 2012 06:21 AM
To: sandy@publicprocess.co.za
Subject: Phytoamandla

Morning Sandy.

You appear to have a healthy amount on your plate!

Would you be so kind as to register me for the above.

Many Thanks and Keep Well

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From: Busisiwe Zungu [bzungu@mandelametro.gov.za]
Sent: 12 June 2012 10:21 AM
To: Sandy Wren
Cc: Joannie Black; Templeton Titima
Subject: Re: PhytoAmandla Meeting notes

Hi Sandy

I have read the notes/ minutes. The is only one thing that I have noted to be corrected is: Methane into Methanol, otherwise the rest is okey according to my assessment.

Regards
Busisiwe Zungu

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From: Elsabe Koen [elsabek@africoast.com]
Sent: 11 June 2012 09:51 AM
To: sandy@publicprocess.co.za
Cc: john@africoast.com
Subject: Proposed Biofuels Processing Plant Zone 5 Coega IDZ - Register I&AP



Dear Sandy

Please register : Mr John McGillivray of Afri-Coast Engineers SA (Pty) Ltd as I&AP for the abovementioned Project.

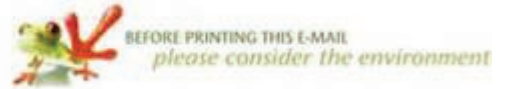
Regards
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From: Paul Martin [pmartin@axxess.co.za]
Sent: 08 July 2012 01:23 PM
To: Sandy J Wren
Subject: Comments on PhytoAmandla Biofuels Draft Scoping Rpt
Attachments: 120708 PhytoAmandla P Martin comments on DSR.docx

Sandy,

Please see attached for comments / queries on the PhytoAmandla Draft Scoping Rpt

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COMMENTS ON PHYTOAMANDLA DRAFT SCOPING REPORT, 8 July 2012

P Martin pmartin@axxess.co.za

Rodents & Pests

- Bringing in canola feedstock from several parts of SA could introduce rodents and pests from other areas – is this a risk that will be assessed?
- Having organic feedstock & cake on site will attract rodents, especially exotic rodents (mice & rats). The Port has a no-poison policy, CDC encourages no-poison solutions and the IDZ RoDs require rodent control systems that are complementary
- How will PhytoAmandla prevent rodents accessing potential food sources and how will it monitor and control rodents on and around its premises?

Hazardous Materials

- As organic materials are involved, there will presumably be odour problems. Will this be assessed and how will it be mitigated?
- What permits are required for the handling, storage and transportation of hazardous materials and will a Hazardous Installation permit be required?
- Presumably emergency plans will be in place in case of spills and accidents
- Has NMBM adequate emergency and fire response capacity to deal with this facility (cumulative impacts of facilities planned for the IDZ may outstrip NMBM's capacity)?

Other

- Developments in the IDZ are supposed to limit visual impacts, e.g. by choice of exterior paint colour, architectural design, etc. Many developments in the IDZ to date have not done this. How will this IDZ RoD requirement be complied with?
- Best Practise: Is the latest best practise technology being used in this development? Please provide basic details under project description in the EIA
- Green building designs: Water recycling & energy conservation is mentioned in the Scoping Rpt. What other green building systems are planned for this development?
- Impacts on the open space system will presumably be assessed wrt the routing of pipelines to the tank farm

From: Sandy Wren [sandy@publicprocess.co.za]
Sent: 23 July 2012 11:23 AM
To: 'SambuloM'
Subject: RE: PhytoAmandla Biofuel Plant in Coega IDZ (REF: 2012-05-0234)
Attachments: PhytoAmandla_DSR_App_B_Site map_June 2012.pdf

Dear Mr Mnguni

The Scoping and EIA process for the PhytoAmandla Biofuels processing plant is located in the Coega Industrial Development Zone near Port Elizabeth. A site of approximately 25 ha in zone 5 of the Coega IDZ, which is zoned for high intensity industrial activities, has been allocated for the construction of the Biofuel Processing Plant. Kindly note, that this EIA process is for the construction of a Biofuels Processing Plant only. For your information I have attached a copy of Appendix B of the Draft Scoping Report which indicates the locality of the project within Zone 5 of the Coega IDZ. At this stage of the Scoping and EIA process a layout plan for the plant is not yet available and will, amongst others, be determined by the outcome of the specialist studies undertaken for the EIA phase of the assessment.

Kindly note that the canola feedstock for the project, will utilise existing agricultural land which will be grown as a winter crop in rotation with summer food crops. As existing agricultural land is to be utilised on a rotational basis, no expansion of agricultural land is proposed and therefore this component of the project is not included in this Scoping and EIA process.

Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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From: SambuloM [<mailto:SambuloM@nda.agric.za>]
Sent: 20 July 2012 08:31 AM
To: sandy@publicprocess.co.za
Subject: PhytoAmandla Biofuel Plant in Coega IDZ (REF: 2012-05-0234)
Importance: High

Good day,

Could you please provide me with information regarding the abovementioned application.

- The area in hectares to be occupied by the proposed project.
- The total area of the property
- A clear locality and layout plan.

Thanks.

Kind regards,
Sambulo Mnguni
Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
Land Use and Soil Management
012 319 7414

SCOPING PHASE REGISTRATION AND REPLY FORM

JOINT SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Project Applicant: PhytoAmandla (Pty) Ltd

PhytoAmandla (Pty) Ltd proposes to construct and operate a Biofuels Processing Plant in Zone 5 of the Coega Industrial Development Zone, Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality (NMBM), Eastern Cape Province.

NEMA EIA 2010 Primary Listed Activity: GN R545 Activity 15.

NEM:AQA Listed Activities: Category 6: Subcategory 6.1

NEM: WA Listed Activities: Category A listed activities, numbers 1, 9 and 18

DEA Reference No: 14/12/16/3/3/2/321
NEAS Reference No: DEA/EIA/0001144/2012

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Complete all Relevant Sections Below & Return By: 28 May 2012

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CELL:	EMAIL:

Would you like to register as an interested and affected party? (please tick the appropriate box)

NOTE: You are required to register as an I&AP in order to receive further correspondence regarding the EIA process.

YES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

Clearly state any interest you may have in the project and list any issues, concerns or questions you may have (use additional pages if required)

Registration and comments form for Issues

From: Phumeza Mgwadleka Transnet Port Terminals NCT
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To: sandy@publicprocess.co.za
Subject: Scoping Phase registration
Attachments: 20120605090203868.pdf

[Sent on behalf of Vuyani Mtati](#)

Good day Sandy

Please find the attach of Vuyani Mtati's SCOPING PHASE REGISTRATION.

Kind regards,
Phumeza



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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NO

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