

24 May 2013

**NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
AUTHORISATION**

POFADDER SOLAR THERMAL PLANT AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DEA REF No: 12/12/20/1832)

Dear Stakeholder

KaXu CSP obtained environmental authorisation for the Proposed Pofadder Solar Thermal Plant and associated infrastructure on a site near Pofadder, Northern Cape (EIA Ref No: 12/12/20/1832) in April 2011. The site is proposed on Portion 4 of the Farm Scuit-Klip 92, which lies approximately 30 km north-east of the town of Pofadder in the Northern Cape. The environmental authorisation authorises all three phases of the proposed Solar Thermal Plant, with an overall capacity of 310MW comprised of a combination of Concentrated Solar Power (CSP) and Photovoltaic technology.

In order to accommodate the planned change in technology for the phase 2 plant, an application for amendment to the Environmental Authorisation will be lodged with the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA). The change in CSP technology **for the next phase of development of the project** (Phase 2) from a power tower plant and heliostats to a parabolic trough plant is a substantive amendment to the Environmental Authorisation.

In terms of Condition 1.4 of the Environmental Authorisation, an applicant can apply to the competent authority for a change or deviation from the project description. A request for amendment to the environmental authorisation has been prepared, and includes the motivation for the amendment. In terms of Regulation 56 of the EIA Regulations (2010), an opportunity is now provided for registered interested and affected parties to submit written comment on the amendment application.

As required by DEA, a 30-day period has been allowed for comments. The motivation for amendment and relevant information is attached to this document and is available electronically on www.savannahSA.com/projects from **24 May 2013– 24 June 2013**. Please submit your written comment by **24 June 2013**. Should you have any queries kindly contact me.

Kind regards

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