

Date: 16 May 2023

Our Ref: E-BL01.220537- Proposed Gas to Power via Powership Project at the Port of Richards Bay, uMhlathuze Municipality within King Cetshwayo District Municipality, KwaZulu Natal.

Subject: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2007: Draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for the Proposed Gas to Power via Powership Project at the Port of Richards Bay, uMhlathuze Municipality within King Cetshwayo District Municipality, KwaZulu Natal.

Dear Stakeholders and Registered I&APs,

Please find attached the revised draft EIA Report and associated appendices in relation to the application for the Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the establishment of the Proposed Gas to Power via Powership Project at the Port of Richards Bay, uMhlathuze Municipality within King Cetshwayo District Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal.

On the 3rd of May 2023, condonation was granted for the late submission of the revised EIA and a period of sixty (60) days from the date of the decision letter was allowed for a further public participation process ("PPP") to be conducted, in order to provide registered I&APs with additional opportunity to comment on the revised EIA.

This revised draft EIA Report for the Gas to Power via Powership Project at the Port of Richards Bay has been compiled in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (as amended).

The revised draft EIA report and associated appendices are available for comment from **17th May (incl. 17th May) to 15th June 2023**, at the following locations and online platforms:

- Richards Bay Public Library (Physical Address: Kruger Road CBD, Richards Bay);
- Empangeni Public Library (Physical Address: Corner of Union and Commercial Streets, Empangeni),
- Triplo4's Ballito Office (Physical Address: Douglas Crowe Drive, The Circle, Suite 5, Ballito), KwaZulu-Natal;
- Triplo4's website: www.triplo4.com;
- Google Drive link:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1coEKVQvU0mkUbVAoOvB4RL_3_gWDjBap?usp=share_link

Clarification note: following completion of the PPP in December 2022, any added text to the 2022 final EIA report was marked in blue text. The 2022 final EIA report was used as the basis of this revised draft EIA report, and any further additions are marked in underlined blue text. This will assist the readers in identifying the changes made to the report since the previous draft EIA report that was made available for public review and comment in November-December 2022. The changes to the 2022 final EIA report are primarily related to the Generic Environmental Management Programmes (Substation & Transmission Lines), Avifaunal related matters and Biodiversity Offsets.

Please submit all comments or queries pertaining to the revised draft EIA Report to the undersigned.

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Yours faithfully



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