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### **ZONDEREINDE SOLAR PV FACILITY NEAR NORTHAM, LIMPOPO PROVINCE (LDEDET Ref. No.: To be issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

Letsatsi PV (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facility with a generating capacity of 100MW. This is proposed on Portion 1 of the Farm Kopje Alleen 422KQ, located approximately 35km south of Thabazimbi and 18km northwest of Northam, between the R510 in the west and the R511n in the east, in the Thabazimbi Local Municipality and Waterberg District in the Limpopo Province.

The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in this Background Information Document (BID). A full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV energy facility and associated infrastructure. The public participation process provides the public with an opportunity to comment on the project.

Additional technical information regarding this Solar PV facility is available in the Background Information Document attached to this e-mail.

The attached letter serves to:

- inform you of the initiation of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Public Participation process; and
- that the Scoping Report is available for your review and comment.

The Scoping Report review and comment period is from Friday, 07 October 2022 until Monday, 07 November 2022.

The Scoping Reports can be downloaded from our website: [CLICK HERE](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Environmental Impact Assessment process.

Kind regards,

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Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

**ZONDEREINDE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR  
NORTHAM, LIMPOPO PROVINCE  
(LDEDET Reference No.: To be Issued)**

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**NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS  
and  
NOTIFICATION OF SCOPING REPORT AND AVAILABILITY FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

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Letsatsi PV (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facility with a generating capacity of up to 100MW. The proposed project is located on Portion 1 of the Farm Kopje Alleen 422KQ, approximately 30km south of Thabazimbi and 18km northeast of Northam, between the R510 in the west and the R511 in the east, in the Thabazimbi Local Municipality and Waterberg District in the Limpopo Province.

The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in this Background Information Document (BID). A full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV energy facility and associated infrastructure. The public participation process provides the public with an opportunity to comment on the project.

The infrastructure associated with the 100MW Zondereinde solar PV facility will include:

- » Solar PV array, with branch strings, comprising PV panels and mounting structures.
- » Inverters and transformers.
- » Underground cabling between project components.
- » A 33kV on-site facility substation to facilitate the connection between the Solar PV Energy Facility and the mine electrical distribution system and a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- » Offices, control room/s and a storage facility.
- » 2 x 33kV overhead power line and transmission towers from the PV Site for the distribution of the generated power, which will be connected to the existing Smelter substation and Shaft substation (Existing 33kV Mine Substations).
- » Temporary laydown areas and a construction yard.
- » Access road (gravel), internal gravel roads, a firebreak and fencing around the PV site.

- » Water and sanitation infrastructure.
- » Security and access control

Additional technical information regarding this Solar PV facility is available in the Background Information Document attached to this notification letter.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

In accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the applicant requires Environmental Authorisation from the National Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries Limpopo Development of Economic Development, Environment & Tourism (LDEDET), as the Competent Authority. In terms of Section 24(5) of NEMA, the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended) and Listing Notices (GNR 327, GNR 325, and GNR 324), the application for EA is subject to the completion of a Scoping/EIA process. The application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

The EIA is an effective planning and decision-making tool. It allows for potential environmental consequences resulting from a proposed activity to be identified and appropriately managed during the construction, operation, and decommissioning phases of development. It also provides an opportunity for the project applicants to be forewarned of potential environmental issues and allows for the resolution of impacts identified and reported on as part of the EIA process, as well as provides opportunity for dialogue with key stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs).

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the application for EA and undertaking the supporting EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the project, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr). I&APs will be actively involved in the EIA process through the public participation process.

You and/or the Department/Organization/Company, which you represent, have been identified as a stakeholder for the proposed project as described above. The nature and extent of the solar PV, associated infrastructure and the EGI, are explored in more detail in the BID which is attached to this letter and is also available for download from the Savannah Environmental website <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/zondereinde-solar-pv/>

### **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS**

The public participation (PP) process is being undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326). The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application is made available to I&APs for review;
- » I&AP participation is facilitated in such a manner that they are provided with reasonable opportunity to comment on the project;
- » adequate review periods are provided for I&APs to comment on the findings of the Scoping/EIA Reports; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

Savannah Environmental have established an online stakeholder engagement platform, where you are invited to register your interest in the project, and view project documentation. Please visit our website (link provided above).

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities or access to internet, alternative means for consultation and to facilitate comment on the projects will be made through the Ward Councilor and/or Ward Committee Members. I&APs are also able to make contact via the "Please call me" functionality available on our public participation mobile phone (060 978 8396).

#### **SCOPING REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT**

The Scoping Report for the Zondereinde solar PV facility is available for review and comment from **07 October 2022** to **07 November 2022**. The report is available for download from the Savannah Environmental website (link provided above).

In terms of Regulation 3(1) of the NEMA EIA regulations, the report will be available on 07 October 2022, with 08 October 2022 being the first day of the 30-day review and comment period. The due date for written comment is 07 November 2022.

Please submit your written comments on the Scoping Report via one of the following means:

- E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com
- Post: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157xxx
- Fax: 086 684 0547
- Telephone: 011 656 3237
- Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including "please call me")

All comments should be addressed to Molatela Ledwaba at Savannah Environmental.

All comments received during the 30-day review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final Scoping Report for submission to the Limpopo Development of Economic Development, Environment & Tourism (LDEDET) in line with Regulation 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326).

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

Kind regards



**Molatela Ledwaba**

Public Participation and Social Consultant

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**Attached:** Background Information Document  
Registration and Comment Form



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