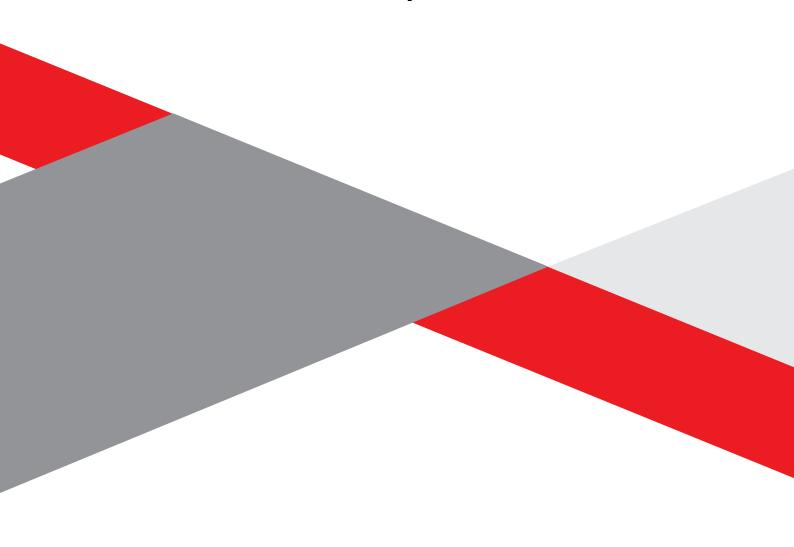
# Appendix C6 I&AP Correspondence



#### **Nicolene Venter**

From: Savannah Environmental Public Process < publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, 12 May 2022 14:13

To: Fikile Guma
Cc: Nicolene Venter

**Subject:** SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES &

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Attachments: SE3292-Ummbila PVWEF SR Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Ummbila Emoyeni BID-

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## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

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Attached for your perusal is the Background Information Document that provides technical details regarding the proposed renewable energy facilities and grid connection and a Registration & Comment Form.

#### The attached letter serves to:

- inform you that the Scoping Reports drafted for each of the above cluster of wind farms and solar PV applications are available for your review and comment from **Thursday**, **12 May 2022** until **Monday**, **13 June 2022**. The Scoping Reports can be downloaded from our website: <u>click here</u>; and
- invite you to attend the on-line public participation process meeting taking place on Tuesday, 31 May 2022 at 17h00.

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

Kind regards,

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Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)

#### NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORTS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

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Technical details regarding the proposed renewable energy facilities and grid connection have been provided in the Background Information Document that will be distributed to you as registered 1&APs on 12 May 2022 and is available on Savannah Environmental's website: https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewableenergy/.

The LILO corridor will intersect with either the Camden-Zeus 1 400kV, Camden-Zeus 2 400kV or Camden-Tutuka 400kV power line

#### SCOPING REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Scoping Reports for each project and grid connection infrastructure are available for a 30-day review and comment period from **Thursday**, **12 May 2022** until **Monday**, **13 June 2022**. The final day to submit a comment is **Monday**, **13 June 2022**. The reports are available for download from the Savannah Environmental website as listed above. You can also request that an electronic copy of the Scoping Reports be sent to you via file transfer services such as WeTransfer or Dropbox.

Please note Regulation 3(1) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, i.e.:

Subject to subregulations (2) and (3), when a period of days must in terms of these Regulations be reckoned from or after a particular day, that period must be reckoned as from the start of the day following that particular day to the end of the last day of the period, but if the last day of the period fails on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, that period must be extended to the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday.

Please submit your written comments on the Scoping Reports via one of the following means to Nicolene Venter or Nondumiso Bulunga by any means below:

• Telephone: 011 656 3237

• Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including please call me)

• Fax: 086 684 0547

E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

All comments received during the 30-day review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final Scoping Reports for submission to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) in line with Regulation 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326).

#### INVITATION TO AND NOTIFICATION OF ONLINE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS MEETING

You are invited to attend the online public participation process meeting which will take place on:

Date: Tuesday, 31 May 2022

**Time:** 17h00

The meeting is being hosted via MS Teams to ensure that attendance is unrestricted. You are kindly requested to register your attendance for the online public participation process meeting with Nicolene Venter or Nondumiso Bulunga (details above) to receive the virtual link for attendance.

We are looking forward to your participation in the public participation processes for these projects as your valuable contribution to the proposed projects will ensure an inclusive approach and allow the DFFE to make an informed decision.

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

Nicolene Venter

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From: Savannah Environmental Public Process < publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

**Sent:** Monday, 06 June 2022 11:57

**To:** Fikile Guma **Cc:** Nicolene Venter

**Subject:** E3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY: WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES &

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### PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2160 (Ummbila Emoyeni Wind Energy Facility); 14/12/16/3/3/2/2161 (Ummbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility) and 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162 (Ummbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure)

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With reference to our letter dated 12 May 2022 in which we notified registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that the Scoping Report for the Solar Energy Facility and the Wind Energy Facility are available for review and comment from Thursday, 12 May 2022 until Monday, 13 June 2022 has reference.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the Scoping Reports and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments on the Scoping Reports to please do so before or on Monday, 13 June 2022.

The Scoping Reports can be downloaded from our website: click here

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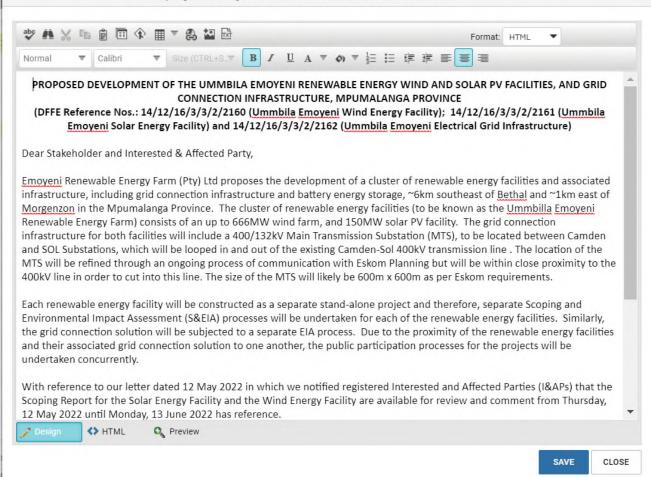


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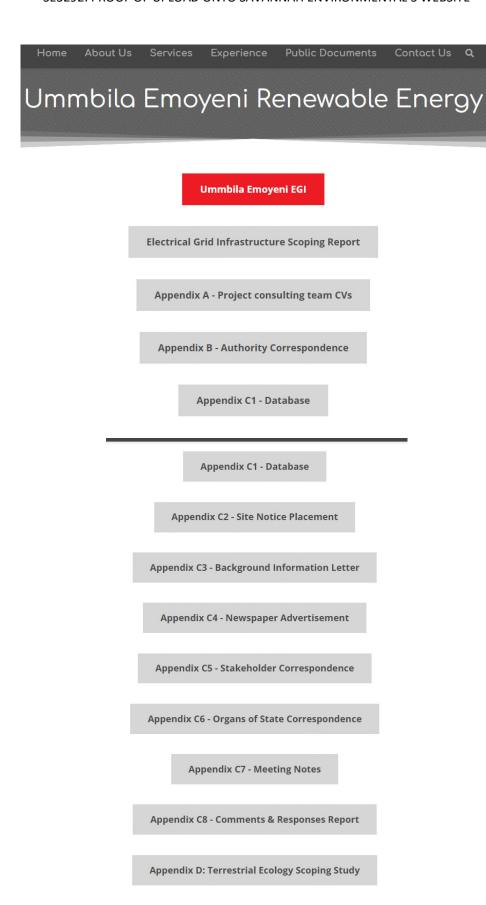
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Appendix E - Avifauna Scoping Report

**Appendix F - Bat Scoping Assessment** 

Appendix G - Soils & Agricultural Potential Scoping Assessment

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Appendix J - Socio Economic Scoping Assessment

Appendix K - Maps

**Appendix L - Specialist Declaration** 

**Appendix M - Screening Tool Report** 

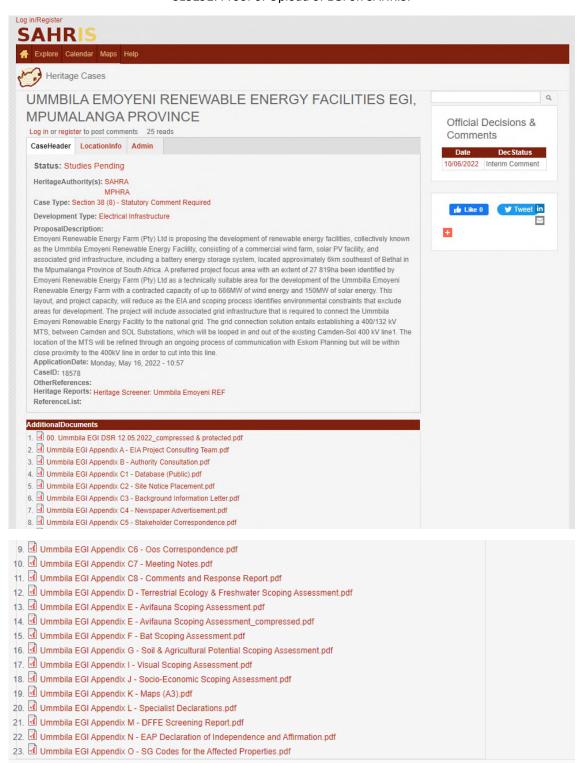
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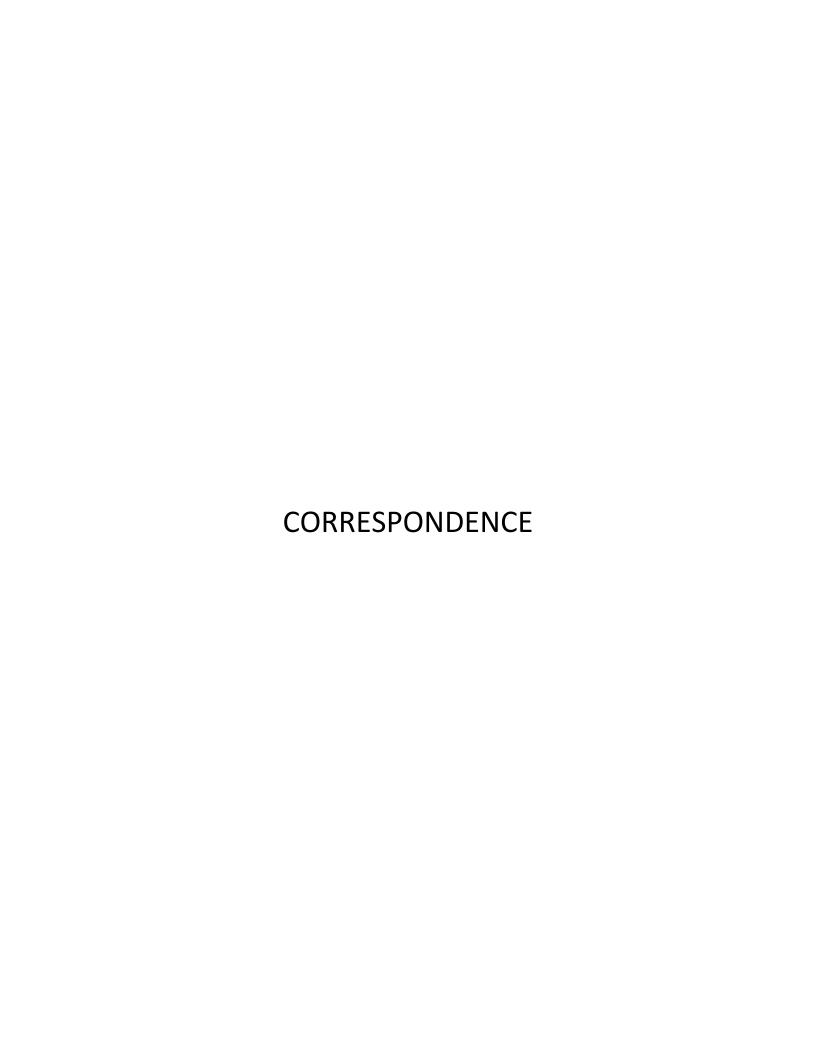
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Appendix O - SG Codes



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**Sent:** Tuesday, 17 May 2022 08:55 **To:** Savannah Public Process

Subject: RE: SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind & Solar PV Facilities & Grid

Connection Infrastructure - Acknowledgement of documents

Thanks John

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Hi John,

Please receive herewith of Eskom's general requirements for works at or near Eskom infrastructure, as well as the Eskom setbacks guideline for renewable energy developments.

As requested, please find attached the .KML file.

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From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Thursday, 19 May 2022 06:02

**To:** Ria Barkhuizen (NR); nrstat@nra.co.za

Cc: oliverj@nra.co.za

**Subject:** SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Projects - Acknowledgement of emai

Dear Ms Barkhuizen,

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Sent: Tuesday, 17 May 2022 11:54

To: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Subject: RE: SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION

INFRASTRUCTURE - EIA Process and notification of availability of Scoping Reports for review and comment

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Tx and Regards

Ria

From: Jan Oliver (NR) <OliverJ@nra.co.za>

Sent: Friday, 13 May 2022 08:59 To: Savannah Public Process

RE: SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & Subject:

GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE - EIA Process and notification of availability of

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Dear Nicolene Venter

Noted.

Yours sincerely, Jan Oliver STATUTORY CONTROLLER Northern Region 38 Ida Street, Menlo Park, Pretoria, Gauteng, 0081, T: 012 426 6242 | M: 083 283 6083 OliverJ@nra.co.za | www.sanral.co.za Fraud Hotline Number - 0800 204 558









From: Savannah Environmental Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2022 2:13 PM To: Jan Oliver (NR) <OliverJ@nra.co.za>

Subject: SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE - EIA Process and notification of availability of Scoping Reports for review and comment

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**To:** 'dwfopsmiem@gmail.com'; 'dfacmiem@gmail.com'

**Subject:** SE329: Ummbila Emoyeni Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - .KMZ & BID **Attachments:** SE3292 Ummbila Emoyeni BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Ummbila PVWEF SR Notification-

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From: Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>

**Sent:** Friday, 13 May 2022 15:44 **To:** Savannah Public Process

Subject: RE: SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES &

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From: Nokukhanya Khumalo <nkhumalo@sahra.org.za>

Sent: 12 May 2022 15:56

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Sent: Thursday, 12 May 2022 14:13

To: Nokukhanya Khumalo < <a href="mailto:nkhumalo@sahra.org.za">nkhumalo@sahra.org.za</a>>

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From: Savannah Public Process

Sent: Tuesday, 07 June 2022 14:11

To: Nokukhanya Khumalo

**Subject:** Proof of SAHRIS upload (CaseID 18578 - E3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy:

Wind & Solar PV Facilities and Grid Connection Infrastructure

Attachments: SE3292-Ummbila Emoyeni Scoping Report-SAHRIS.pdf

Dear Nokukhanya,

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Subject: RE: E3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY: WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION

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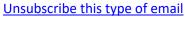
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Sent: Tuesday, 14 June 2022 19:18

To: Ntombifutsi Mathebula; Mmakoena Mmola; ben.brimble@windlab.com

**Subject:** RE: SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - Invitation to Key

Stakeholder Workshop

Dear Ms Mathebula,

Thankyou for your e-mail below.

As requested, should there be any information or confirmation required from your Department, the team will forward it formally to you.

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Sent: Tuesday, 14 June 2022 08:41

To: Mmakoena Mmola < Mmakoena@savannahsa.com>; Nicolene Venter < nicolene@savannahsa.com>;

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Cc: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Subject: Re: SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop

Good morning all

Kindly note that I have another commitment on the day. Please forward any questions to myself and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

I am so sure that your application will be forwarded to one of us Planners, by our supervisor.

Warm regards,

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>>> Nicolene Venter 2022/06/10 14:59 >>> Dear Key Stakeholder,

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, including grid connection infrastructure and battery energy storage, ~6km southeast of Bethal and ~1km east of Morgenzon in the Mpumalanga Province. The cluster of renewable energy facilities (to be known as the Ummbilla Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm) consists of an up to 666MW wind farm, and 150MW solar PV facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line<sup>[1].</sup> The location of the MTS will be refined through an ongoing process of communication with Eskom Planning but will be within close proximity to the 400kV line in order to cut into this line. The size of the MTS will likely be 600m x 600m as per Eskom requirements.

Each renewable energy facility will be constructed as a separate stand-alone project and therefore, separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) processes will be undertaken for each of the renewable energy facilities. Similarly, the grid connection solution will be subjected to a separate EIA process. Due to the proximity of the renewable energy facilities and their associated grid connection solution to one another, the public participation processes for the projects will be undertaken concurrently, providing the public with an opportunity to understand and provide comment on all the projects.

Technical details regarding the proposed renewable energy facilities and grid connection is being provided in the attached Background Information Document (BDI) and is available on Savannah Environmental's website: <a href="https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/">https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/</a>. The BID was distributed on **Thursday, 12 May 2022**.

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental assessment practitioner to manage the applications for Environmental Authorisation (EA) and undertaking the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the projects, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you, as registered Key Stakeholders, to the Key Stakeholder Workshop (KSW) taking place on **Wednesday**, **16 June 2022** at **11h00** via **MS Teams**.

The purpose of the KSW is to present the following to you as Key Stakeholders:

- brief background to the proposed project;
- an overview of the EIA processes followed;
- a summary of the key environmental findings as documented in the Scoping Reports;
- an opportunity to seek clarity and raise comments and/or concerns; and
- to record comments raised at the KSW.

Should you not be able to attend the KSW, you are most welcome to forward this invitation to your colleague to attend the KSW on your behalf.

Just a friendly reminder that the Scoping Reports in support of the Application for the EAs have been compiled and are available for your review and comment. Visit our website on <a href="https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/">https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/</a> - the release code for all the Reports is: Mddm4iV3

The 30-day review and comment period for the Scoping Reports commenced on **Thursday, 12 May 2022** and is ending on **Monday, 13 July 2022**.

You are kindly requested to submit any questions that you would want the project team to respond to at the KSW to us prior to the meeting.

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

Kind regards,



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<sup>[1]</sup> The LILO corridor will intersect with either the Camden-Zeus 1 400kV, Camden-Zeus 2 400kV or Camden-Tutuka 400kV power line