### UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA **PROVINCE**

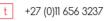
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#### TERMINOLOGY/DEFINITIONS

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Authorisation.

EMPr as part In accordance with Section 31 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, as amended, this environmental authorisation (EA) amendment process aimed at **Environmental** aligning the proposed project activities with the EA as required within the amendment. An EA may be amended where this will result in a change in the project scope of the existing EA where such change may result increased level or change in nature of impact as not previously included in the standing EA. This amendment further does not trigger any listed activities with no exceeded thresholds for activities already authorises but requires an official amendment to be lodged with the competent authority (CA).

### Interested and Affected **Parties**

Means an interested and affected party (I&AP) contemplated in Section 24(4)(d) of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 (Act 107 of 1998), and which in terms of that section includes:

- any person, group of persons or organizations interested in or affected by an activity; and
- any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

### **Public Participation Process Stakeholders**

Means a process in which the broader public, including interested and affected parties, are given an opportunity to be informed of a proposed application, invite them to comment on, or raise issues relevant to specific matters applicable to an application.

A sub-group of the public whose interests may be positively or negatively affected by a proposal or activity and/or who are concerned with a proposal or activity and its consequences within the project study area. "Key stakeholders" are a smaller sub-group of I&APs. They are people who stand to be directly affected, representatives acting as spokespersons for their sectors, people whose local knowledge is important, people who may want to derail the process for personal gain, and all those who think they are key stakeholders.

### Definitions taken from NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Other Guideline Information **Documents**

#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CA	Competent Authority
C&RR	Comments and Response Report
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMPr	Environmental Management Programme
I&APs	Interested and Affected Parties
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act
PPPR	Public Participation Process Report (PPPR)
OoS	Organs of State

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### **CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION**

Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of renewable energy facilities, collectively known as the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Facility, consisting of a commercial wind farm, solar PV facility, and associated grid infrastructure, including a battery energy storage system, located approximately 6km southeast of Bethal in the Mpumalanga Province of South Africa. Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorisation from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) for the Ummbila EGI on 27 January 2023 (DFFE Reference no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162). A correction to the EA (DFFE Reference no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1) was issued on 17 February 2023. An amendment to the EA (DFFE Reference no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2) amending the wording of Conditions 12 and 13 to refer to the development of the EGI in a phased approach was issued on 15 May 2023.

Condition 13 of the EA dated 27 January 2023 (DFFE Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162) states that the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPrs) submitted as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAr) is not approved and must be updated in accordance with the provisions of the environmental authorisation and made available for comments by registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). The holder of the environmental authorisation must consider such comments before finalising the EMPr and submitting to the DFFE for approval. Similarly, Condition 12 of the EA requires that the site layout map be updated in accordance with the conditions of the environmental authorisation and be made available for comments by registered I&APs, and the holder of this environmental authorisation must consider such comments. Once amended, the Final development layout map must be submitted to the Department for written approval prior to commencement of the activity.

In response to the conditions 12 and 13 of the EA dated 27 January 2023, the following has been undertaken:

#### i. Finalisation of the Environmental Management Programme

The Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) submitted as part of the EIAr has been finalised in accordance with the requirements of Conditions 12 &13 of the EA dated 27 January 2023 (DFFE Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162, as amended by DFFE Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2).

#### ii. Finalisation of Layout

In accordance with Condition 12 of the EA dated 27 January 2023 (DFFE Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162, as amended by DFFE Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2), Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd has finalised a site layout map, and a final site layout map superimposed on the environmental sensitivity map has been compiled for Ummbila EGI Phase One, both of which have been included as Figure 2.2 and Figure 2.3 in the amended EMPrs.

#### iii. Specialist walk-through surveys and compilation of management plans

Specialist walk through surveys and review of the final layout have been undertaken by the following specialists in accordance with the requirements of the EA and specialist recommendations:

- » Terrestrial and aquatic ecology
- » Avifauna
- » Bats
- » Heritage

These surveys confirmed the suitability of the final layout in terms of avoidance of sensitivities identified. Site-specific management plans have been compiled for these aspects on the basis of these specialist studies and are included in the final EMPrs.

This report provides a synopsis of the PPP undertaken with the support of the following appendices as part of the proof of evidence for the project:

Table 1-1 included appendices as part of this proof of consultation.

Appendix	Relevance
1 – I&AP Database	Regulation 42 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, where a database of the project affected parties is developed including directly affected and greater surrounding area for I&APs. The database included in this report is that developed through the EIA process for the project.
2 - Consultation with I&AP Correspondence	As required in terms of the EA for this project, the final EMPr and Layout were made available to registered parties for review and comment. This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah Environmental and any stakeholder including any IA&P who may have commented on the project.
3 – Consultation with OoS	As required in terms of the EA for this project, the final EMPr and Layout were made available to registered parties for review and comment This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah Environmental and any OoS who may have commented on the project.
4 – Comments Received	This appendix includes the comments received from OoS and/or I&APs on the final EMPr and final layout that was made available for the 30-days review and comment period.
5 – Comments and Responses Report	All comments received have been recorded and responded to in a Comments and Responses Report, which is submitted to the CA to inform the decision on the final EMPr and Layout.

### CHAPTER 2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS OBJECTIVES

Public participation is an essential and regulatory requirement for an environmental authorisation process and is guided by Regulation 37(2) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.

The following objectives for the public participation undertaken for the final EMPr and Final Layout Plan included:

- » notify registered I&APs of the the availability of the EMPr and Final Layout Plan for review and comment;
- \* the review and comment period of the EMPr and Final Layout Plan;
- » how and where the EMPr and Final Layout Plan were avialble for download or how to request an electronic copy;
- » how and where to submit written comments; and
- » capturing of the comments received into a Comments and Responses Report.

### CHAPTER 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

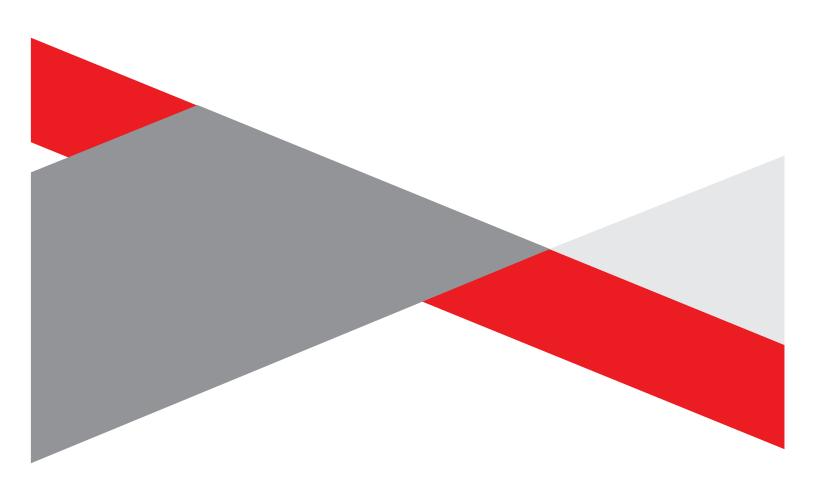
During the PPP, the following core PP activities were undertaken:

- » The existing Stakeholders and I&APs were verified and where applicable updated. The database was maintained throughout the 30-day review and comment period of the EMPr;
- » A notification letter was distributed to all registered I&APs on Tuesday, 23 May 2023 notifying them of the availability of the EMPr and associated documentation for a review and comment period of 30 days;
- The EMPr was made available for review and comment from Tuesday, 23 May 2023 until Friday, 23 June 2023. The EMPr and associated documents was made available on Savannah Environmental website and also available via DropBox or WeTransfer, upon request.
- » A reminder notification was sent to all registered I&APs on **Monday**, **19 June 2023** reminding them that the review and comment period is ending soon.
- » Suggestions, comments, and concerns received from I&APs have been collated and recorded in the Comments and Response Report (C&RR); and
- » Update the Final EMPr to consider I&APs comments where relevant.

### **CHAPTER 4 DECISION-MAKING PHASE**

The Final EMPr and Final Layout Plan have been submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), as the Competent Authority, for review and approval in accordance with the requirements of the EA issued for the project.

# APPENDIX 1 INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES DATABASE





### **APPENDIX 1: I&AP DATABASE**

### UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE SUBMISSION OF FINAL EMPR AND SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL LAYOUT TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS 13 & 14 AND CONDITION 12 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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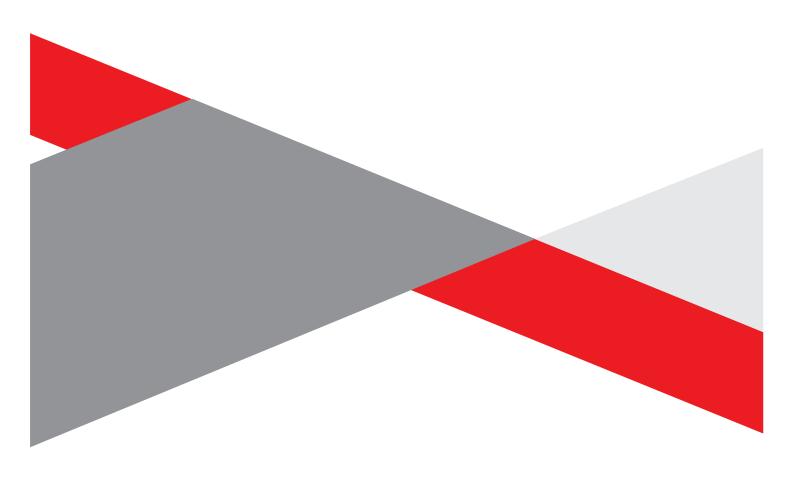
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South African Weather Services	Bernard	Petlane
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Transnet SOC Limited: Mpumalanga	Rudzani	Dagada
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## APPENDIX 2 STAKEHOLDER CORRESPONDENCE



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To: Jan Oliver
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Phase One of the project has commenced to final design phase and the Final EMPrs and Final layout have been compiled. The Phase One project site is located in the Lekwa Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District on the following properties:

#### **Parent Farm Number Farm Portions**

Farm 422 - Klipfontein 12, 16

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(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2)

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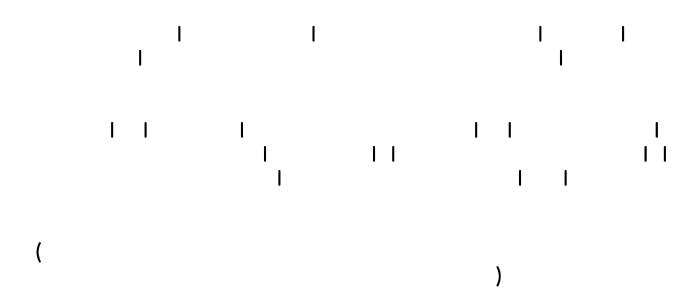
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We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the EMPRs and Final Layout and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments to please do so before or on 23 June 2023.

The EMPRs and Final Layout can be downloaded from our website: CLICK HERE.

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

Kind regards,

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# **Savannah Public Process**

From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Friday, 23 June 2023 10:43

To: Hennie Bekker

Subject: RE: SE3602: Ummbila Emmoyeni Phase 1: Electrical Grid Infrastructure - EMPr and Final

Layout review and comment period ending soon

**Attachments:** EA - 14-12-16-3-3-2-2162.pdf; EA - 14-12-16-3-3-2-2162-AM1.pdf

Dear Hennie,

As requested please find attached the following documents for the Ummbila Emoyeni Phase 1: Electrical Grid Infrastructure:

- Environmental Authorisation issued 27 January 2023 (14/12/16/3/3/2/2162)
- Amendment to the Environmental Authorisation issued 17 February 2023 (14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1)

We herewith confirm that you are indeed a registered interested and affected party. As an adjacent landowner you were registered at the start of the EIA process on 12 May 2022 when the Background Information Document was distributed.

The Environmental Impact Assessment for the concrete tower manufacturing facility is being undertaken by Nala Environmental. Mr Bekker has been included in their IAP database and will be contacted about the process in due course.

Kind regards,



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Goodday Nicolene

Can you please supply me with all relevant documents. This process has changed quite a few times and at this stage i am not aware of what is and what isnt relevant anymore.

Also please make sure that i am indeed registered as an Interested and affected party.

I would also like all relevant documents as to where the concrete batching plant is to be astablished, and where the relevant quarry is to be established.

Regards Hennie Bekker Roodekrans 457

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

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# UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE SUBMISSION OF FINAL EMPr AND SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL LAYOUT TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS 13 & 14 AND CONDITION 12 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of renewable energy facilities, collectively known as the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Facility, consisting of a commercial wind farm, solar PV facility, and associated grid infrastructure, including a battery energy storage system, located approximately 6km southeast of Bethal in the Mpumalanga Province of South Africa. Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorisation from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) for the Ummbila EGI on 27 January 2023 (DFFE Reference no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1) was issued on 17 February 2023. An amendment to the EA (DFFE Reference no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2) amending the wording of Conditions 12 and 13 to refer to the development of the EGI in a phased approach was issued on 15 May 2023.

With reference to our letter dated 23 May in which we notified registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that the Final EMPRs and Final Lyout for the Ummbila Emoyeni EGI are available for review and comment from 23 May 2023 until 23 June 2023 has reference.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the EMPRs and Final Layout and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments to please do so before or on 23 June 2023.

The EMPRs and Final Layout can be downloaded from our website: CLICK HERE.

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

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To: Jaco Kleynhans
Cc: Muniappen, Anisha

Subject: RE: SE3594 UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI FACILITY: Notification of Environmental

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Hi Jaco,

Confirmation that you have been removed as requested.

Kind regards,



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**To:** Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com> **Cc:** Muniappen, Anisha <Anisha.Muniappen@seritiza.com>

Subject: RE: SE3594 UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI FACILITY: Notification of Environmental Authoritation Issued

Nicolene,

Yes please remove me from your list.

Regards,

Jaco Kleynhans Director

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Subject: RE: SE3594 UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI FACILITY: Notification of Environmental Authoritation Issued

Dear Mr Kleynhans,

Please confirm that we can remove you from the project's database.

Kind regards,



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**To:** Savannah Public Process < <u>publicprocess@savannahsa.com</u>> **Cc:** Muniappen, Anisha < Anisha.Muniappen@seritiza.com>

Subject: RE: SE3594 UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI FACILITY: Notification of Environmental Authoritation Issued

Good morning,

Kindly note that we have no interest in this matter. Please forward directly to Anisha Muniappen of Seriti.

Thanks,

Jaco Kleynhans

#### Director

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Subject: SE3594 UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI FACILITY: Notification of Environmental Authoritation Issued

# AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE UMMBILA EMOYENI ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE (DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2)

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Ummbila Emoyeni (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the Ummbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) on 27 January 2023 and subsequent amendment dated 17 February 2023. An application for amendment to the EA was submitted to the Department on 25 April 2023 for the following:

- 1. Amendment of the Applicant's details.
- 2. Amendment of conditions 12 and 13 on page 11 of the EA.

The applicant hereby notifies all registered interested and affected parties of the outcome of the application for amendment of the EA and the Department's decision, in compliance with the requirements of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended. The Department has granted authorisation for the above-mentioned amendment, with the decision issued by the Department on 15 May 2023. A copy of the Environmental Authorisation (DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2) with reasons for the decision is included with this notification letter.

Please refer to the attached Notification Letter and copy of the Amendment of Environmental Authorisation for further information.

Also attached please find copies of the National Appeal Regulations 2014 and the National Appeal Amendment Regulations, 2015.

Kind regards,

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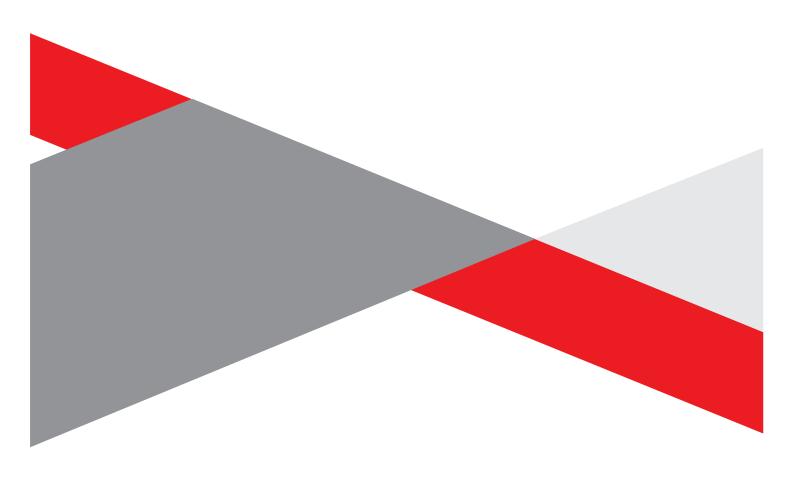
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# APPENDIX 3 ORGANS OF STATE CORRESPONDENCE



## **Nicolene Venter**

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

**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2023 20:28

To: Jan Oliver
Cc: Nicolene Venter

**Subject:** SE3602: Ummbila Emmoyeni Phase 1: Electrical Grid Infrastructure - EMPr and Final

Layout available for review and comment

**Attachments:** SE3602\_-\_Ummbila\_EGI\_EMPr\_Letter-FINAL.pdf

# UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE SUBMISSION OF FINAL EMPR AND SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL LAYOUT TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS 13 & 14 AND CONDITION 12 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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Phase One of the project has commenced to final design phase and the Final EMPrs and Final layout have been compiled. The Phase One project site is located in the Lekwa Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District on the following properties:

## **Parent Farm Number Farm Portions**

Farm 422 - Klipfontein 12, 16

Farm 458 – Goedgedacht 18, 25, , 27, 33, 43

Detailed information is available in the letter attached to this e-mail notification.

# AVAILABILITY OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMMES AND FINAL LAYOUT FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

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Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

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(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM1; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2)

# NOTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMMES AND THE FINAL LAYOUT FOR UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

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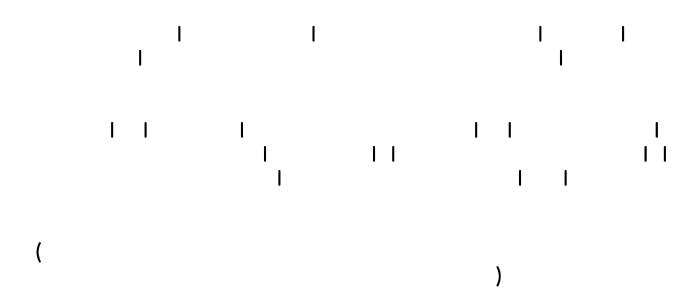
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We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the EMPRs and Final Layout and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments to please do so before or on 23 June 2023.

The EMPRs and Final Layout can be downloaded from our website: CLICK HERE.

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

Kind regards,

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**Cc:** Jean-Pierre Bbenkele Transnet Property Johannesburg; Savannah Public Process **Subject:** FW: SE3602: Ummbila Emmoyeni Phase 1: Electrical Grid Infrastructure - EMPr and Final

Layout available for review and comment

**Attachments:** SE3602\_-\_Ummbila\_EGI\_EMPr\_Letter-FINAL.pdf

Dear Tumi,

The attached is for your attention.

Kind regards

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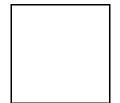
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Afternoon,

Thank you for the letter. Boitumelo will respond.

Kind regards

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With reference to our letter dated 23 May in which we notified registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that the Final EMPRs and Final Lyout for the Ummbila Emoyeni EGI are available for review and comment from 23 May 2023 until 23 June 2023 has reference.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those Stakeholders and I&APs who submitted their written comments on the EMPRs and Final Layout and we kindly urge those who have not yet submitted their written comments to please do so before or on 23 June 2023.

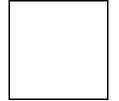
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Subject: RE: SE3602: Ummbila Emmoyeni Phase 1: Electrical Grid Infrastructure - EMPr and Final

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Good Day

Greetings this afternoon hoping that this email finds you well, thank you.

Kindly please receive details below from Govan Mbeki Municipality, in registration as interested and affected party.

Name: Mr. Kamesh Rohan

Institution: Govan Mbeki Municipality (Secunda)
 Department: Planning and Economic Development

<u>Designation:</u> Deputy Director: Town & Regional Planning and Properties

Contact number: (017) 620 6007 / (084) 401 2137
 Email address: kamesh.r@govanmbeki.gov.za

Kindly advise further should there be any further information required on our side. Humble Thanks...

Regards,

**Bongiwe Nala** 

Team Secretary
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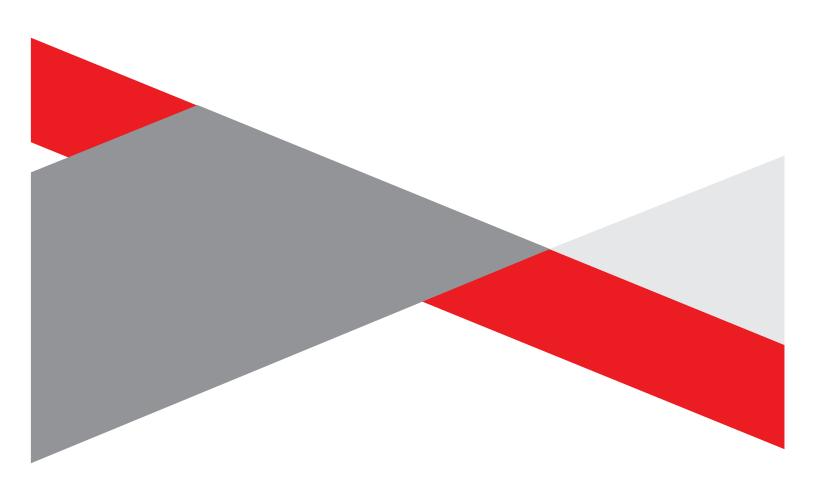


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PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Ms. Nicolene Venter

COMMENTS ON FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE 132KV AND 400KV POWERLINES ASSOCIATED WITH THE UMMBILA EMOYENI EGI, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.

Final environmental management programme dated May 2023 and received by this Department on 19 June 2023.

The mandate of the Forestry Branch in the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), as an EIA commenting authority is to ensure control over developments that affect natural forests, protected trees, State forests, Forests nature reserve under the National Forests Act ,1998 (Act No 84 of 1998) and the National Veld and Forest Fires Act 101 of 1998.

I hereby acknowledge the opportunity to provide input on the above-mentioned report. We thus comment as follows:

 Table 5.10. In the final environmental management programme refers to vegetation clearing is restricted to authorised development footprint of the proposed infrastructure. No reference was made to the National Forests Act, 1998 (Act No. 84 of 1998) as Amended. This Act may be applicable whenever vegetation is affected or removed and as such must be consulted.

According to National Forest Act, 1998, section (15) (1), no person may (a) cut, disturb, damage,

destroy or remove any protected tree; or (b) collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell,

donate or in any other manner acquire or dispose any protected tree except under a license

granted by the minister. And section 7 (1) no person may (a) cut, disturb, damage, destroy any

indigenous, living tree in, or remove or receive any such tree from, a natural forest except in

terms of (a) a license issued under subsection (4) or section (23); or (b) an exemption from the

provisions of this subsection published by the minister in the gazette on the advice of the council.

According to the footprint of the vegetation that needs to be cleared, there may be protected

tree species occurring in the area and if such tree species occur, a proper protocol must be

followed.

• The applicant must estimate the quantity of the protected tree species affected; this is usually

achieved by extrapolation of tree numbers from benchmark size. The location of the protected

trees species must also be shown in the layout map.

• NOTE: If the Department is of the opinion that there may be significant impacts on protected

trees, a Biodiversity Offset Investigation can be requested before the EA can be granted. If an

Offset is triggered, it may be listed either as a condition in the EA or as a condition in the National

Forest Act License.

Our recommendation is that an effort should be made to avoid or minimize impact on the natural

forest in terms of the National Forest Act, (Act no: 84 of 1998) As Amended, for sustainability.

• NOTE: The Department may request to do a site inspection to confirm the findings in the

report/specialist reports and/or request a virtual meeting to discuss the planned development

and potential impacts on the Environment.

Should you require further information and/or clarification on the matter, please do not

hesitate to contact either Mr. Kenneth Mavhunga at kmavhunga@dffe.gov.za or at 072 249

4884.

Yours sincerely

Ms Nomfundo Tshabalala

**Director-General** 

**Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment** 

Letter sign d/by: Ndiyhuwo Kenneth Mavhunga

Signature:

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Dear Ms Thomas

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPR) AND FINAL LAYOUT PLAN SUBMITTED TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS DATED 27 JANUARY 2023 AS AMENDED, FOR THE UMMBILA EMOYENI ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above-mentioned project dated 27 January 2023, as amended, the draft Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) and final layout plan submitted to comply with conditions 12,13 and 14 of the EA dated 27 January 2023 and received by the Department on 23 May 2023, and the acknowledgement of receipt thereof on 24 May 2023, refer.

The Department has the following comments on the abovementioned draft EMPr:

### (a) EMPr Report

- (i) Please ensure that the final EMPr adequately addresses and complies with all the relevant conditions of the authorised EA as amended (including any conditions relating to the EMPr in subsequent amendments). In this regard, please include a cover letter with the EMPr, which indicates how the relevant conditions (as amended) were complied with in the EMPr (in table format).
- (ii) Please ensure that all mitigation recommendations are in line with applicable and most recent guidelines.
- (iii) Certified copies of the EA as well as certified copies of the EA amendments must be submitted.

### **Public Participation**

(i) Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final EMPr. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.

- (ii) Copies of comments received from registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) and organs of state, which have jurisdiction in respect of the authorised activity must be submitted to the Department with the final EMPr.
- (iii) Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received, on the revised draft EMPr from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity (including this Department's Biodiversity and Conservation section at BCAdmin@environment.gov.za) are adequately addressed and included in the final EMPr.
- (iv) Comments and responses must be incorporated into a Comments and Response (CRR) Report (in table format, indicating the date of comment, format of comment, name of organisation/I≈ the comment received; and the response from the EAP/Applicant/Specialist). Comments from I&APs must not be split and arranged into categories. Comments from each submission must be responded to individually.
- (v) Please ensure that comments made by I&APs are comprehensively captured and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to an I&AP's comments.

Yours faithfully

Mr Sabelo Malaza

Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

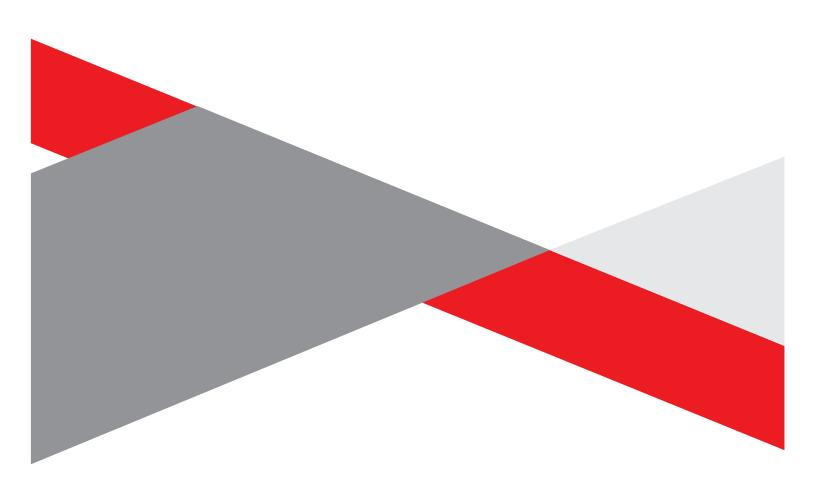
Signed by: Dr Danie Smit

**Designation: Deputy Director National Integrated Authorisation Projects** 

**Date:** 15/06/2023

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# APPENDIX 5 COMMENTS & RESPONSES REPORT



## UMMBILA EMOYENI PHASE ONE ELECTRICAL GRID INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE SUBMISSION OF FINAL EMPR AND SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL LAYOUT TO COMPLY WITH CONDITIONS 13 & 14 AND CONDITION 12 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

(DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2160/MP1; 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162/AM2)

### **COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT**

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In accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Authorisation, the Final Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) and Final Layout for the Ummbila Emoyeni Phase One Electrical Grid Infrastructure was made available to registered I&APs for a 30-day review and comment period from **23 May 2023** to **23 June 2023**. This Comments and Responses Report (C&RR) includes all comments received. The C&RR is included as a separate document within the Public Participation Report submitted together with the final EMPr and Final Layout.

#### NOTE:

All comments captured in the C&RR are verbatim and have not been summarised.

### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS / ACRONYMS

CRR	Comments and Responses Report	EMPr	Environmental Management Programme
EA	Environmental Authorisation	I&AP	Interested and Affected Party

### 1. COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THE FINAL EMPR AND LAYOUT

### 1.1. Organs of State

NO.	COMMENT	RAISED BY	RESPONSE
1.	He Department has the following comments on the	Nyiko Nkosi	
	abovementioned draft EMPr:	Case Officer	
	(a) EMPr Report	DFFE	
	(i) Please ensure that the final EMPr adequately addresses		The final EMPr and layout plan adequately address and comply with
	and complies with all the relevant conditions of the	Letter: 15 June 2023	the conditions as stated in the EA. A cover letter that clearly
	authorised EA as amended (including any conditions		indicates how the conditions in terms of which the EMPr and layout
	relating to the EMPr in subsequent amendments). In this		plan are submitted and complied with (in table format) has been
	regard, please include a cover letter with the EMPr, which		submitted along with the final EMPr and layout. All changes and
	indicates how the relevant conditions (as amended) were		additions to the EMPr have been underlined for ease of reference.
	complied with in the EMPr (in table format).		
	(ii) Please ensure that all mitigation recommendations are in		All mitigation measures as recommended by the specialists are in
	line with applicable and most recent guidelines.		line with the applicable and most recent guidelines.
	(iii) Certified copies of the EA as well as certified copies of the		Certified copies of the EA as well as the EA amendment have been
	EA amendments must be submitted.		submitted as <b>Appendix N</b> to the final generic EMPrs
	(b) <u>Public Participation</u>		
	(i) Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders		Proof of notification to all registered I&APs and Organs of State
	must be included in the final EMPr. Should you be unable		(OoS), and attempt to follow-up on written comments are included
	to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the		in Appendix 3: Organs of State Correspondence and that to key
	Department of the attempts that were made to obtain		stakeholders and I&APs are included in <b>Appendix 2: Stakeholder</b>
	comments.		Correspondence of the public participation report.
	(ii) Copies of comments received from registered interested		All comments received during the review and comment period of
	and affected parties (I&APs) and organs of state, which		the EMPr and Final Layout are included in <b>Appendix 4</b> and have
	have jurisdiction in respect of the authorised activity must		been captured in this C&RR which is attached as a separate
	be submitted to the Department with the final EMPr.		document to the final EMPr and Layout Report as <b>Appendix 5</b> :
			Comments & Responses Report.
	(iii) Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments		Comments have been responded to adequately, as applicable, In
	received, on the revised draft EMPr from registered I&APs		this C&RR and included in the public participation report as part of
	and organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the		the final EMPr where applicable.

NO.	COMMENT	RAISED BY	RESPONSE
	activity (including this Department's Biodiversity and Conservation section at BCAdmin@environment.gov.za) are adequately addressed and included in the final EMPr.		No written comments were received from the DFFE's Biodiversity Conservation Directorate. Should late comments be received after submission of the final EMPr, these comments will be forwarded to the DFFE.
	(iv) Comments and responses must be incorporated into a Comments and Response (CRR) Report (in table format, indicating the date of comment, format of comment, name of organisation/I≈ the comment received; and the response from the EAP/Applicant/Specialist). Comments from I&APs must not be split and arranged into		Comments have been captured in a table format which include the I&AP name, the organisation / department, format in which it was submitted, and date submitted / received.  Comments have not been categorised, have been captured according to date received and responded to individually.
	categories. Comments from each submission must be responded to individually.  (v) Please ensure that comments made by I&APs are comprehensively captured and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to an I&AP's comments.		Comments have been captured verbatim, and all comments have been responded to adequately, as applicable, and no comments have been responded to as "noted".
2.	I hereby acknowledge the opportunity to provide input on the	NA Mudau	
	<ul> <li>above-mentioned report. We thus comment as follows:         <ul> <li>Table 5.10. In the final environmental management programme refers to vegetation clearing is restricted to authorised development footprint of the proposed infrastructure. No reference was made to the National Forests Act, 1998 (Act No. 84 of 1998) as Amended. This Act may be applicable whenever vegetation is affected or removed and as such must be consulted.</li> </ul> </li> <li>According to National Forest Act, 1998, section (15) (1), no person may (a) cut, disturb, damage, destroy or remove any</li> </ul>	Case Officer DFFE: Forestry Branch Letter: 21 June 2023	A Terrestrial Ecology Impact Assessment has been undertaken as part of the EIA process and a walk through survey was undertaken as part of the EMPr finalisation process to identify the presence of any protected trees present on site which will require a permit. No protected tree species were identified within the project footprint. Should any species be affected by the project, a permit would be required to be obtained. This requirement has been included in the EMPr.  The comment has been acknowledged. The Ecologist have completed a walkthrough of the finalised development layout and
	protected tree; or (b) collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate or in any other manner acquire or		identified no protected trees within the area of the project and site.  Should protected tree and plant species occur in the project area,

NO.	COMMENT	RAISED BY	RESPONSE
	dispose any protected tree except under a license granted by		permits are required to have them removed in accordance with
	the minister. And section 7 (1) no person may (a) cut, disturb,		section (15) (1) of the National Forest Act, 1998, as amended. This
	damage, destroy any indigenous, living tree in, or remove or		requirement has been included in the EMPr.
	receive any such tree from, a natural forest except in terms of		
	(a) a license issued under subsection (4) or section (23); or (b)		
	an exemption from the provisions of this subsection published		
	by the minister in the gazette on the advice of the council.		
	According to the footprint of the vegetation that needs to be		
	cleared, there may be protected tree species occurring in the		
	area and if such tree species occur, a proper protocol must be		
	followed.		
	The applicant must estimate the quantity of the protected tree		
	species affected; this is usually achieved by extrapolation of		
	tree numbers from benchmark size. The location of the		
	protected trees species must also be shown in the layout map.		
	NOTE: If the Department is of the opinion that there may be		The comment has been acknowledged and the Applicant has
	significant impacts on protected trees, a Biodiversity Offset		been advised accordingly. No impacts on protected tree species
	Investigation can be requested before the EA can be granted.		are expected as a result of the project.
	If an Offset is triggered, it may be listed either as a condition in		
	the EA or as a condition in the National Forest Act License.		
	Our recommendation is that an effort should be made to		
	avoid or minimize impact on the natural forest in terms of the		
	National Forest Act, (Act no: 84 of 1998) As Amended, for		
	sustainability.		
	NOTE: The Department may request to do a site inspection to		The comment has been acknowledged. A site visit can be
	confirm the findings in the report/specialist reports and/or		undertaken with the Department if required.
	request a virtual meeting to discuss the planned development		
	and potential impacts on the Environment.		