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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE SOLAR PV FACILITY AND ELECTRICAL GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.:

Ummbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2161

Ummbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2162)

Dear Stakeholders and Interested & Affected Parties,

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of a commercial Solar Energy Facility with a contracted capacity of up to 150MW and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure on a site located ~6km south-east of Bethal and 1km east of Morgenon, within the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert Sibande District. The projects are planned as part of a larger cluster of renewable energy projects (to be known as the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm), which include one 666MW wind energy facility, to be developed in several phases, and one 150MW solar energy facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between the Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line; on-site switching stations (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility (Eskom Portion); 132kV power lines from the switching stations at each renewable energy facility to the new 400/132kV MTS; and a collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to the onsite IPP Substation.

The Ummbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure were subjected to separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment processes.

The attached letter serves to inform you that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports are available for your review and comment from Friday, 14 October 2022 to Monday, 14 November 2022. The EIA Reports 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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**NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORTS FOR REVIEW AND
COMMENT**

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports for the Umbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure are available for a 30-day review and comment period from **Friday, 14 October 2022 to Monday, 14 November 2022**. The final day to submit comments is **Monday, 14 November 2022**.

The reports are available for download from the Savannah Environmental website:

- Umbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/umbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/>
- Electrical Grid Infrastructure <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/>

You can also request that an electronic copy of the EIA Report 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 falls 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 EIA Report via one of the following means to Nicolene Venter or Molatela Ledwaba by any means below:

- Telephone: 011 656 3237
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All comments received during the 30-day review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final EIA Report 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).

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



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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, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
(DFFE Reference Nos.: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2160 (Wind Energy Facility) and 14/12/16/3/3/1/2161 (Solar
Energy Facility)**

AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORTS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

The advertisement published in the Ridge Times newspaper on 23 August 2022 in which the broader public was notified that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports for the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind and Solar Facilities are available for review and comment from 26 August 2022 to 26 September 2022, has reference.

This letter serves to inform you that due to unforeseen circumstances the EIA Reports are not yet available for review and comment as per the review period notification. The new review and comment period will be published in the Ridge Times newspaper once the EIA Reports are available and will be communicated to registered stakeholders and Interested & Affected Party (I&AP).

You are most welcome to share this notification with any other stakeholders and I&APs that you believe should be informed.

Kind regards,



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Umbbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESSES FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMBBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

Applicant: Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: The development of the Umbbilla Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm with a contracted capacity of up to 666MW of wind energy, 150MW of solar energy, and a 400/132kV grid connection solution to connect the renewable energy facilities to the grid. Infrastructure associated with each project includes:

Umbbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility

- » PV modules in the range of 330Wp to 450Wp mounted on either a fixed tilt or single axis tracker structure, dependent on optimisation, technology available and cost.
- » Inverters and transformers.

Umbbila Emoyeni Wind Energy Facility

- » Up to 111 wind turbines with a maximum hub height of up to 200m. The tip height of the turbines will be up to 300m.
- » 33kV cabling to connect the wind turbines to the onsite collector substations, to be laid underground where practical.

Umbbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure

- » A new 400/132kV MTS) to be located between Camden and SOL Substations.
- » Two 400kV loop-in loop-out power lines to the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line.

- » 33kV cabling to connect to the onsite collector substation, to be laid underground where practical.
 - » 33kV/132kV onsite collector substation (IPP Portion).
 - » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
 - » Cabling between project components.
 - » Laydown and O&M hub (approximately 300m x 300m):
 - o Construction compound (temporary).
 - o Maintenance office.
 - » Access roads (up to 12m wide) and internal distribution roads (up to 12m wide).
- » 3 x 33kV/132kV onsite collector substation (IPP Portion), each being 5ha.
 - » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
 - » Cabling between turbines, to be laid underground where practical.
 - » Construction compounds including site office (approximately 300m x 300m in total but split into 3ha each of 150m x 200m):
 - o Batching plant of up to 4ha to 7ha.
 - o 3 x O&M office of approximately 1.5ha each adjacent to each collector SS.
 - o 3 x construction compound / laydown area, including site office of 3ha each (150m x 200m each).
 - » Laydown and crane hardstand areas (approximately 75m x 120m).
 - » Access roads of 12 -13m wide, with 12m at turning circles.
- » On-site switching stations (Eskom Portion) (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility.
 - » Collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to onsite IPP S/Ss.
 - » 132kV power lines from the switching stations to a new MTS.
 - » Access roads up to 8m wide.

Project Location: Approximately 6km southeast of the town of Bethal in the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The project site comprises the following farm portions:

Parent Farm Number	Farm Portions
Farm 261 – Naudesfontein	15, 21
Farm 264 – Geluksplaats	0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 10, 12
Farm 268 – Brak Fontein Settlement	6,7,10,11,12
Farm 420 – Rietfontein	8,9,10,11,12,15,16,18,19,22,32
Farm 421 – Sukkelaar	2, 2, 7, 9, 9 10, 10 11, 11 12, 12, 22 ,25, 34, 35, 36, 37, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 42
Farm 422 – Klipfontein	0, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23
Farm 423 – Bekkerust	0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25
Farm 454 – Oshoek	4, 13, 18
Farm 455 – Ebenhaezer	0, 1, 2, 3
Farm 456 – Vaalbank	1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19
Farm 457 – Roodekrans	0, 1, 4, 7, 22, 23, 23
Farm 458 – Goedgedacht	0, 2, 4, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 39
Farm 467 – Twee Fontein	0, 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10

Farm 469 – Klipkraal

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Savannah Environmental website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/> (Wind and Solar Energy Facilities) and <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/> (Grid Connection Solution)

Scoping & Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) Processes: In terms of Sections 24 & 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 – R327, as amended, a S&EIA process is required for each renewable energy facility and the grid connection infrastructure. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required S&EIA and public participation processes for these projects.

EIA Reports Available for Review & Comment: The [EIA Reports for the Umbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure](#) are available for review and comment and can be download from Savannah Environmental website (see applicable link in table above). The 30-day review and comment period of the EIA Reports is from **Friday, 14 October 2022 to Monday, 14 November 2022.**

To obtain further information & register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information & interest in the project to the contact person below.

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UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY SOLAR PV FACILITIES, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

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<p>ProposalDescription: Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing 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. A preferred project focus area with an extent of 27 819ha been identified by Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd as a technically suitable area for the development of the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm with a contracted capacity of up to 666MW of wind energy and 150MW of solar energy. This layout, and project capacity, will reduce as the EIA and scoping process identifies environmental constraints that exclude areas for development. The solar PV facility is proposed to accommodate the following infrastructure: PV modules and mounting structures with a capacity per panel of 350W to 450W and dependent on optimization and cost. Inverters and transformers 33kV/132kV onsite collector substation Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Cabling between project components Laydown and O&M hub (approximately 300m x 300m): Construction compound (temporary), Maintenance office Access roads (up to 12m wide) It is anticipated that the power generated by the project will be bid into the REIPPPP tender process (DMRE) and/or into private off take opportunities. The LILO corridor will intersect with either the Camden-Zeus 1 400kV, Camden-Zeus 2 400kV or Camden-Tutuka 400kV power line.</p> <p>ApplicationDate: Monday, May 16, 2022 - 10:55 CaseID: 18577 Applicants: Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd Consultants/Experts: Jenna Lavin OtherReferences: Heritage Reports: Heritage Screener: Ummbila Emoyeni REF ReferenceList:</p>		

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From: Amanda Mbasane <AmandaM@gsibande.gov.za>
Sent: Monday, 03 October 2022 15:30
To: Nicolene Venter
Cc: Dan Hlanyane; Melato Michele; Lindokuhle Magagula
Subject: RE: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting (District & Local Municipality Officials)

Good Day, Ms Nicolene Venter

Please forward your EIA report to the following Person who will assist with Comments of the District Municipality.

Ms Lindokuhle Magagula
Environmental Officer
Community and Social Services Department
LindokuhleM@gsibande.gov.za

Please copy me on the email.

Kind Regards



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From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Monday, October 3, 2022 2:59 PM
To: Amanda Mbasane; Melato Michele; office.mm@govanmbeki.gov.za; mmsecretary@lekwalm.gov.za; contactcentre@msukaligwa.gov.za; Ben Brimble; Braam Botha; Belinda Mills; Janice Finlay; Jo-Anne Thomas; Nkhensani Masondo; Chantelle Geyer
Cc: Dan Hlanyane
Subject: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting (District & Local Municipality Officials)
When: Tuesday, October 4, 2022 9:00 AM-10:30 AM (UTC+02:00) Harare, Pretoria.
Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

- **Gert Sibande District Municipality**
- **Govan Mbeki Local Municipality**
- **Lekwa Local Municipality**

- **Msukaligwa Local Municipality**

Dear Mr Michelle Melato (Gert Sibande District Municipality), Ms Tiffany Ramage (Govan Mbeki Local Municipality, Ms Vuyisile Masinula (Lekwa Local Municipality) & Mr Bongani Zwane (Msukaligwa Local Municipality),

Just a friendly reminder regarding tomorrow morning's meeting.

Kind regards,

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI
RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND FACILITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
(DFFE Ref. No.: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2160)**

- **Gert Sibande District Municipality**
- **Govan Mbeki Local Municipality**
- **Lekwa Local Municipality**
- **Msukaligwa Local Municipality**

Dear Mr Michelle Melato (Gert Sibande District Municipality), Ms Tiffany Ramage (Govan Mbeki Local Municipality, Ms Vuyisile Masinula (Lekwa Local Municipality) & Mr Bongani Zwane (Msukaligwa Local Municipality),

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure on a site located ~6km south-east of Bethal and 1km east of Morgenzon, within the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert Sibande District. The larger cluster of renewable energy projects (to be known as the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm) includes one 666MW wind energy facility, to be developed in several phases, and one 150MW solar energy facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between the Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line; on-site switching stations (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility (Eskom Portion); 132kV power lines from the switching stations at each renewable energy facility to the new 400/132kV MTS; and a collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to the onsite IPP Substation.

Savannah Environmental would like to invite you to this on-line Focus Group Meeting (FGM) and the purpose of the FGM is to present the following:

- brief background to the proposed projects
- an overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process followed;
- a summary of the key environmental findings from the Environmental Impact Assessment process; and
- an opportunity to seek clarity and raise any comments and/or concerns regarding the projects.

Should you not be able to attend the FGM, you are most welcome to inform us of to whom this invitation to your colleague/s at your Department / Company / Organisation needs to be extended to, to attend the meeting on your behalf.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the Wind Energy Facility has been made available for your Municipality's review and written comments from **Thursday, 08 September 2022** to **Monday, 10 October 2022**, and can be downloaded from our website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy-2/>.

The reports for the solar facility and grid connection infrastructure will be released for review and comment shortly.

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

Kind regards,



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From: Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>
Sent: Friday, 07 October 2022 09:37
To: Nicolene Venter
Cc: Anele Mjali
Subject: RE: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Good morning Nicolene,

Thank you

See you soon then.

Regards

Tebogo,

From: Nicolene Venter [mailto:nicolene@savannahsa.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 6, 2022 3:35 PM
To: Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>
Cc: Anele Mjali <AMjali@environment.gov.za>; Melato Michele <MelatoM@gsibande.gov.za>
Subject: RE: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Dear Tebogo,

Yes, we had scheduled a Key Stakeholder Workshop for tomorrow starting at 10h00.

I had included you and Ms Mjali in the calendar invitation which you will receive shortly.

Attached is the presentation that will be presented at the Key Stakeholder Workshop.

Kind regards,



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From: Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>

Sent: Thursday, 06 October 2022 15:26

To: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>

Cc: Anele Mjali <AMjali@environment.gov.za>; Melato Michele <MelatoM@gsibande.gov.za>

Subject: FW: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Importance: High

Good day Nicolene,

The subject refers,

I am checking if there is another engagement scheduled for the 07 October 2022 following the focus group meeting held as scheduled for the 04 October 2022?

Regards,

Tebogo Mogakabe

From: Tebogo Mogakabe

Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 10:57 AM

To: 'Anele Mjali' <AMjali@dffe.gov.za>

Subject: FW: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Importance: High

From: Melato Michele

Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 8:59 AM

To: Dan Hlanyane <Dan.Hlanyane@gsibande.gov.za>; Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>

Subject: FW: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Importance: High

Morning

Kindly taker note of below email.

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

Sent: Wednesday, 28 September 2022 04:36

To: Melato Michele <MelatoM@gsibande.gov.za>

Subject: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project (SE3292) - Request for Focus Group Meeting

Importance: High

Dear Mr Melato,

Thank you for taking my call on Monday, 26 September 2022 – it is appreciated.

As discussed, I need to send a calendar invitation to Gert Sibande District Municipality's Officials inviting them to an on-line (virtual) Focus Group Meeting next week Tuesday, 04 October 2022 at 09h00.

Please advise whether the calendar invitation can be sent to you, who in turn will distribute it to all the relevant Officials that the Municipal Manager believes must attend, or whether you will provide me with the names & email addresses of the officials that I need to include in the calendar invitation.

The officials who we generally invite to this meeting are:

- Environmental Manager
- Local Economic Development Manager
- Electrical Engineering Department Manager
- Social & Heal Manager
- Town Planner
- Spatial Development Manager

Also, I believe I need to invite the Ward Councillor through the Speaker's Office? The Ward affected by the proposed development is Ward 15.

Do you have a person that I can contact at the Speaker's Offices please?

Kind regards,



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From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Friday, 28 October 2022 15:55
To: Lindokuhle Magagula
Subject: RE: SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Solar PV Facility & Electrical Grid Infrastructure: Environmental Impact Assessment Reports available for review and comment

Dear Lindokuhle,

Please receive herewith the release code for both the reports: Mddm4iV3

Kind regards,



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Sent: Tuesday, 25 October 2022 09:51
To: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
Subject: RE: SE3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Solar PV Facility & Electrical Grid Infrastructure: Environmental Impact Assessment Reports available for review and comment

Good day,

I would like to receive the password for the two below mentioned documents.

Regards
Lindokuhle Magagula

From: Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>
Sent: Thursday, 20 October 2022 10:01
To: Lindokuhle Magagula <LindokuhleM@gsibande.gov.za>

Subject: FW: SE3292: Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Solar PV Facility & Electrical Grid Infrastructure: Environmental Impact Assessment Reports available for review and comment

From: Savannah Environmental Public Processp [<mailto:publicprocess@savannahsa.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 18, 2022 3:56 PM

To: Tebogo Mogakabe <TebogoM@gsibande.gov.za>

Subject: SE3292: Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Solar PV Facility & Electrical Grid Infrastructure: Environmental Impact Assessment Reports available for review and comment

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE SOLAR PV FACILITY AND ELECTRICAL GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(DFFE Reference Nos.:

Umbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2161

Umbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2162)

Dear Stakeholders and Interested & Affected Parties,

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of a commercial Solar Energy Facility with a contracted capacity of up to 150MW and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure on a site located ~6km south-east of Bethal and 1km east of Morgenzon, within the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert Sibande District. The projects are planned as part of a larger cluster of renewable energy projects (to be known as the Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm), which include one 666MW wind energy facility, to be developed in several phases, and one 150MW solar energy facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between the Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line; on-site switching stations (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility (Eskom Portion); 132kV power lines from the switching stations at each renewable energy facility to the new 400/132kV MTS; and a collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to the onsite IPP Substation.

The Umbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility and the Electrical Grid Infrastructure were subjected to separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment processes.

This is a second notification in which we would like to inform you that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports were made available for your review and comment on **Friday, 14 October 2022** and the review period will end on **Monday, 14 November 2022**. The attached letter provides additional information.

The EIA Reports can be downloaded from our website:

Solar Energy Facility: [click here](#)

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

Kind regards,

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From: Riaan Smit <SmitR@eskom.co.za>
Sent: Thursday, 06 October 2022 09:47
To: Nicolene Venter; Makoanyane Theku; Siphesihle Satimburwa; Faans Van Zyl
Subject: FW: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Projects: Key Stakeholder Workshop Presentation
Attachments: SE3292-Ummbila Emoyeni Presentation October 2022.pdf

Hi Nicolene

This is a large Transmission impact project.

Please include Makoanyane Theku and Siphesihle Satimburwa in your correspondence as well.

It will be useful for future as well.

I have also copied in Faans van Zyl from Distribution, as it falls in his area as well.

John Geeringh should also be part of the large EIA studies, as he is from Transmission involved in EIA's etc.

I think he indicated to be not available on Fri, so just accept an apology, as required, but keep him in the loop.

Thanks a lot and all the best.

Kind Regards

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Subject: [CAUTION:EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Projects: Key Stakeholder Workshop Presentation

Dear Key Stakeholders,

The virtual Key Stakeholder Workshop (KSW) invitation taking place on Friday, 07 October 2022 at 10h00 via MS Teams has reference.

Please find attached the presentation in which the Wind Energy & Solar Energy Facilities and the Grid Infrastructures will be presented at the KSW.

The Environmental Impact Assessment Report of the Wind Energy Facility is available on our website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy-2/> and the release code is 5Fp3Oi49. As stated previously, the **review period ends on Monday 10 October 2022**.

We are looking forward to a fruitful Workshop.

Kind regards,



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Subject: Re: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project: Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop

Good day Nicolene

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Subject: Canceled: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Wind Farm Project: Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop
When: Tuesday, 04 October 2022 14:00-15:30.
Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI
RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND FACILITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
(DFFE Ref. No.: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2160)**

Dear Key Stakeholders,

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure on a site located ~6km south-east of Bethal and 1km east of Morgenzon, within the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert Sibande District. The larger cluster of renewable energy projects (to be known as the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm) includes one 666MW wind energy facility, to be developed in several phases, and one 150MW solar energy facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between the Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line; on-site switching stations (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility (Eskom Portion); 132kV power lines from the switching stations at each renewable energy facility to the new 400/132kV MTS; and a collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to the onsite IPP Substation.

Savannah Environmental would like to invite you to this on-line Key Stakeholder Workshop (KSW) and the purpose of the KSW is to present the following:

- brief background to the proposed projects
- an overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process followed;
- a summary of the key environmental findings from the Environmental Impact Assessment process; and
- an opportunity to seek clarity and raise any comments and/or concerns regarding the projects.

Should you not be able to attend the KSW, you are most welcome to inform us of to whom this invitation to your colleague/s at your Department / Company / Organisation that needs to be extended to, to attend the meeting on your behalf.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the Wind Energy Facility has been made available for your Municipality's review and written comments from **Thursday, 08 September 2022 to Monday, 10 October 2022**, and can be downloaded from our website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy-2/>.

The reports for the solar facility and grid connection infrastructure will be released for review and comment shortly.

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

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Attachments: SE3292-Ummbila Emoyeni Presentation October 2022.pdf

Morning Annelize

Kindly forward the attached to the correct people, according to Andre it is Bethal Mpumalanga.

Regards

Yolanda

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Hi Schalk

This is near Bethal Mpumalanga.

Regards



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Good Day

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Regards

Yolanda

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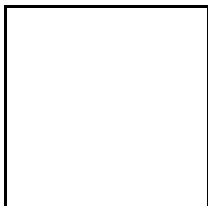
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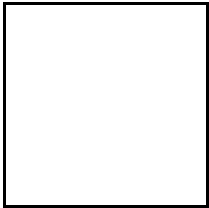
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Subject: RE: Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Projects: Key Stakeholder Workshop Presentation

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Transnet Pipelines, a division of Transnet SOC Limited, is not affected by the proposal.

Your awareness of the existence of Transnet's pipeline servitudes and concern for their integrity is highly appreciated.

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Yours Sincerely
Mr MT (Thami) Hadebe
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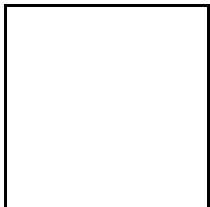
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Good day,

Kindly be informed that Josaiah Rikhotso is the Property Manager for MP not me.

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Good day Nicolene

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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMBILA EMOYENI
RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND FACILITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
(DFFE Ref. No.: 4/12/16/3/3/2/2160)**

Dear Key Stakeholders,

Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure on a site located ~6km south-east of Bethal and 1km east of Morgenzon, within the Mpumalanga Province. The project site is located across the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, and Msukaligwa Local Municipalities within the Gert

Sibande District. The larger cluster of renewable energy projects (to be known as the Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm) includes one 666MW wind energy facility, to be developed in several phases, and one 150MW solar energy facility. The grid connection infrastructure for both facilities will include a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), to be located between the Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV transmission line; on-site switching stations (132kV in capacity) at each renewable energy facility (Eskom Portion); 132kV power lines from the switching stations at each renewable energy facility to the new 400/132kV MTS; and a collector substation with 2 x 132kV bus bars and 4 x 132kV IPP feeder bays to the onsite IPP Substation.

Savannah Environmental would like to invite you to this on-line Key Stakeholder Workshop (KSW) and the purpose of the KSW is to present the following:

- brief background to the proposed projects
- an overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process followed;
- a summary of the key environmental findings from the Environmental Impact Assessment process; and
- an opportunity to seek clarity and raise any comments and/or concerns regarding the projects.

Should you not be able to attend the KSW, you are most welcome to inform us of to whom this invitation to your colleague/s at your Department / Company / Organisation that needs to be extended to, to attend the meeting on your behalf.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the Wind Energy Facility has been made available for your Municipality's review and written comments from **Thursday, 08 September 2022 to Monday, 10 October 2022**, and can be downloaded from our website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/umbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy-2/>.

The reports for the solar facility and grid connection infrastructure will be released for review and comment shortly.

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

Kind regards,



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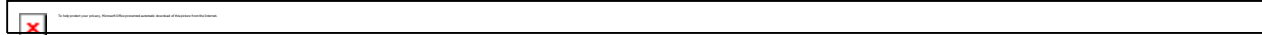
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**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
(DFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)**

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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: [click here](#); 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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RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE,
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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 I&APs on 12 May 2022 and is available on Savannah Environmental's website: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/>.

¹ 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 falls 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



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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 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.

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



















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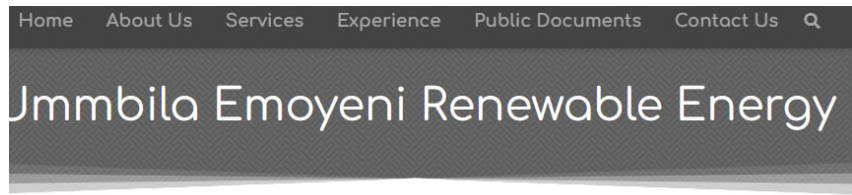
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Development Type: Renewable Energy

ProposalDescription:
Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd is proposing 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. A preferred project focus area with an extent of 27 819ha been identified by Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm (Pty) Ltd as a technically suitable area for the development of the Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm with a contracted capacity of up to 666MW of wind energy and 150MW of solar energy. This layout, and project capacity, will reduce as the EIA and scoping process identifies environmental constraints that exclude areas for development. The wind farm is proposed to accommodate the following infrastructure: Up to 111 wind turbines with a maximum hub height of up to 200m. The tip height of the turbines will be up to 300m. 33kV / 132kV onsite collector substations Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Cabling between turbines, to be laid underground where practical Laydown and O&M hub (approximately 300m x 300m): Batching plant of 4ha to 7ha Construction compound (temporary) of 6 Ha approximately Operation and Maintenance office of 1.5Ha approximately , Laydown and crane hardstand areas (approximately 75m x 120m) Access roads of 12-13m wide, with 12m at turning circles. It is anticipated that the power generated by the project will be bid into the REIPPPP tender process (DMRE) and/or into private off take opportunities. The LLO corridor will intersect with either the Camden-Zeus 1 400kV, Camden-Zeus 2 400kV or Camden-Tutuka 400kV power line.

ApplicationDate: Monday, May 16, 2022 - 10:35

CaseID: 18576

OtherReferences:

Heritage Reports: Heritage Screener: Ummbila Emoyeni REF

ReferenceList:

AdditionalDocuments

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- SE3292- Ummbila WEF Appendix A - EIA Project Consulting Team.pdf
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- Ummbila WEF Appendix P - EAP Declaration of Independence and Affirmation.pdf
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Dear Ms Barkhuizen,

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Tx and Regards

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Dear Nicolene Venter

Noted.

Yours sincerely,

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Attachments: SE3292 Ummbila Emoyeni BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Ummbila PVWEF SR Notification-FINAL.pdf; 20220304_Ummbila_AOI_boundary.kml

Dear Maj Kenny,

Please find attached the following documents for your perusal for the above-mentioned project:

- Background Information Document; and
- KMZ of projects locality.

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Please create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA.

Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case applications, please ensure that the status of the cases is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

Kind Regards,
Nokukhanya

I will be working from home until further notice. Please contact me via email primarily or call me on 0839879817 during business hours.

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

Sent: Monday, 06 June 2022 11:57

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

Subject: E3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY: WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE - Scoping Reports review and comment period ending soon

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 (Umbbila Emoyeni Wind Energy Facility); 14/12/16/3/3/2/2161 (Umbbila Emoyeni Solar Energy Facility) and 14/12/16/3/3/2/2162 (Umbbila Emoyeni Electrical Grid Infrastructure))

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

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 Umbbilla 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. 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.

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](#)

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

Kind regards,
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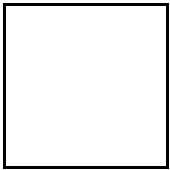
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From: Savannah Public Process
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Subject: SE329: Ummbila Emoyeni Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - .KMZ & BID
Attachments: SE3292 Ummbila Emoyeni BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Ummbila PVWEF SR Notification-FINAL.pdf; 20220304_Ummbila_AOI_boundary.kml

Dear Maj Kenny,

Please find attached the following documents for your perusal for the above-mentioned project:

- Background Information Document; and
- KMZ of projects locality.

The Scoping Reports for these applications were made available for review and comment from Thursday, 12 May 2022 until Monday, 13 June 2022 and can be downloaded from our website <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/>. The final Scoping Reports will be updated with comments received on the Scoping Reports and submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) for acceptance of the Scoping Reports and approval of the Plan of Study for the EIA.

Should your Department envisaged to submit written comments on the Scoping Reports, please let inform us accordingly.

Your Department will be notified once the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports are available for review and comment.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information at this stage of the EIA processes.

Kind regards,



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From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Tuesday, 14 June 2022 19:18
To: Ntombifutsi Mathebula; Mmakoena Mmola; ben.brimble@windlab.com
Subject: RE: SE3292: Umbila 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.

Kind regards,



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From: Ntombifutsi Mathebula <ntmathebula@mpg.gov.za>
Sent: Tuesday, 14 June 2022 08:41
To: Mmakoena Mmola <Mmakoena@savannahsa.com>; Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>; ben.brimble@windlab.com
Cc: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
Subject: Re: SE3292: Umbila 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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Town & Regional Planner
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>>> Nicolene Venter 2022/06/10 14:59 >>>
Dear Key Stakeholder,

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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: <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/umbilla-emoyeni-renewable-energy/>. 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 <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/ummbila-emoyeni-renewable-energy/> - 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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