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**Sent:** Thursday, 12 May 2022 14:13  
**To:** Fikile Guma  
**Cc:** Nicolene Venter  
**Subject:** SE3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE - EIA Process and notification of availability of Scoping Reports for review and comment  
**Attachments:** SE3292-Umbila\_PVWEF\_SR\_Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3292\_Umbila\_Emoyeni\_BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Umbila\_WFs&PVs\_RegComm\_Form-FINAL.pdf

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

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

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

The attached letter serves to:

- inform you that the Scoping Reports drafted for each of the above cluster of wind farms and solar PV applications are available for your review and comment from **Thursday, 12 May 2022** until **Monday, 13 June 2022**. The Scoping Reports can be downloaded from our website: [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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12 May 2022

Dear Stakeholder and Interested and Affected Party,

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI  
RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE,  
MPUMALANGA PROVINCE  
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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/>.

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

## 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](mailto:publicprocess@savannahsa.com)

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

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

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

**Date:** Tuesday, 31 May 2022

**Time:** 17h00

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

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

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

Kind regards



**Nicolene Venter**

Public Participation and Social Consultant

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

Date:  
Thursday, 12  
May 2022  
Time: 14:15

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	De Kock	Pierre	
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	Erasmus	Pieter	
	Greyling	Michiel Daniel	
	Hurwitz	Jarren	
	Lombard	Johan A	
	Lombard	Johannes	
	Mahlungu	Freddie	
	Masego	Joseph	
	Naude	Dekker	
	Pierre	Swart Juan	
	Roux	Hennie	
	Swart	Cornelis Johannes	
	Van Dyk	Flippe	
	Van Staden	Christiaan	
	Van Wyk	Pieter	
	Venter	Gerhardus	
	Zwarts	Jan Hendrik	
AgriSA	Rabie	Janse	
Bekkersrust Trust  Kilipfontein Family Trust	Human	Hannes	
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Centre for Environmental Rights	Koyama	Michelle	
Centre for Environmental Rights	Loser	Nicole	
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Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs	Mathebula	Ntombifuthi	
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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Marubini	Mashudu	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Ngcobo	Mthobisi	
Department of Mineral Resources	Mabule	A	
Department of Mineral Resources	Mojapelo	John	
Department of Mineral Resources	Tshivhandekano	Aubrey	

Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport	Mojapelo	MJ	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Guma	Fikile	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Lubambo	Musa	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Macevele	Stanford	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Ndlhovu	Tshilidzi	
Distrikslandbou Unie Middelburg	Schmahl	JPJ	
Eskom - Mpumalanga Land & Rights/Distribution	Ludere	Tshifiwa	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
ESKOM Land Management	Galela	Noxolo	
Federation for a Sustainable Environment	Liefferink	Mariette	
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Lekwa Local Municipality	Mhlongo-Ntshangase	Gugulethu	
Lekwa Local Municipality	Mkhabela	Robert	
Lekwa Local Municipality	Mtshiselwa	Thobeka	
Lekwa Local Municipality	Phosa	MP	
Mezelda Bekkersrust Trust	Meiring	Frik	
Mlangeni Farms CC	Mlangeni	Sfiso Emmanuel	
Mpumalanga Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (MPHRA)	Moduka	Benjamin	
Mpumalanga-DARDLEA	Fakude	Okwethu	
Mpumalanga-DARDLEA	Govender	Marcini	
Mpumalanga-DARDLEA	Mhlangu	Lucas	
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Mpumalanga-DARDLEA	Stolz	Annette	
Nicjac Pieterse Boerdery CC	Pieterse	Jacobus	
Red Cap Energy	Els	Jessica	
SAHRA	Khumalo	Nokukhanya	
SAHRA	Sibayi	Dumisani	
SANRAL	Barkhuizen	Ria	
SANRAL	Botha	Victoria	
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SANRAL	Olivier	Jan	
SANRAL	Sibanyoni	Agriba	
Sentech Ltd	Motlhake	Serame	
Silver Water Game Lodge	Fourie	Gert	
Sing Farming Pty Ltd	Boloi	Ngwenya	
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**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY WIND AND SOLAR PV FACILITIES, AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**  
**(DFFE Reference Nos.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2160 (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))**

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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.

The Scoping Reports can be downloaded from our website: [click here](#)

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

















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(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,

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	Erasmus	Pieter	
	Greyling	Michiel Daniel	
	Hurwitz	Jarren	
	Kleynhans	Tiaan	
	Lombard	Johan A	
	Lombard	Johannes	
	Mahlungu	Freddie	
	Masego	Joseph	
	Naude	Dekker	
	Pierre	Swart Juan	
	Roux	Hennie	
	Simon	Eldridge	
	Swart	Cornelis Johannes	
	Tegama	Cleopatra	
	Van Dyk	Flippe	
	Van Staden	Christiaan	
	Van Wyk	Pieter	
	Venter	Gerhardus	
	Zwarts	Jan Hendrik	
AgriSA	Rabie	Janse	
Bekkersrust Trust  Kilipfontein Family Trust	Human	Hannes	
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BirdLife South Africa	Ralston-Paton	Samantha	
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Mpumalanga-DARDLEA	Stolz	Annette	
Nicjac Pieterse Boerdery CC	Pieterse	Jacobus	
Red Cap Energy	Els	Jessica	
Roodekrans Familie Trust	Swart	Juan Pierre	
SAHRA	Khumalo	Nokukhanya	
SAHRA	Sibayi	Dumisani	
SANRAL	Barkhuizen	Ria	
SANRAL	Botha	Victoria	
SANRAL	Mbulawa	T	
SANRAL	Oliver	Jan	
SANRAL	Sibanyoni	Agriba	
Sentech Ltd	Motlhake	Serame	

Silver Water Game Lodge	Fourie	Gert	
Sing Farming Pty Ltd	Boloi	Ngwenya	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Hadebe	Thami	
Wild Melody Inv	Pretorius	Martin	
Windlab	Brimble	Ben	

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## Umbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESSES FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE UMBILA 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 Umbilla Emoyeni Renewable Energy Farm with a contracted capacity of up to 666MW of wind energy, 150MW of solar energy, and grid connection solution consisting of a 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS) and Loop-in-Loop-out grid connection infrastructure. Infrastructure associated with each project includes:

Solar PV Facility	Wind Farm	Grid Connection Infrastructure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» PV modules and mounting structures with a capacity per panel of 350W to 450W and dependent on optimisation and cost.</li> <li>» Inverters and transformers.</li> <li>» 33kV/132kV onsite collector substation.</li> <li>» Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).</li> <li>» Cabling between project components.</li> <li>» Laydown and O&amp;M hub (approximately 300m x 300m):</li> <li>o Construction compound (temporary).</li> <li>o Maintenance office.</li> <li>» Access roads (up to 12m wide) and internal distribution roads.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» 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.</li> <li>» 3 x 33kV/132kV onsite collector substation.</li> <li>» Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).</li> <li>» Cabling between turbines, to be laid underground where practical.</li> <li>» Laydown and Operations and Maintenance (O&amp;M) hub (approximately 300m x 300m):</li> <li>o Batching plant of up to 4ha to 7ha.</li> <li>o 3 x Construction compound (temporary), including a site office, of approximately 3ha each (150m x 200m each).</li> <li>o 3 x O&amp;M office of approximately 1.5ha each.</li> <li>» Laydown and crane hardstand areas (approximately 75m x 120m).</li> <li>» Access roads of 12 -13m wide, with 12m at turning circles.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» The grid connection solution comprises a 400/132kV MTS, to be located on a site between Camden and SOL Substations, which will be looped in and out of the existing Camden-Sol 400kV line.</li> </ul>

**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, 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
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**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.

**Scoping Reports Available for Review & Comment:** The Scoping Reports for each project are available for download, review, & comment on the Savannah Environmental website (see applicable link in table above). The 30-day review & comment period of the Scoping Reports is from **Thursday, 12 May 2022** until **Monday, 13 June 2022**. The final day to submit a comment is **Monday, 13 June 2022**.

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to:

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**Umbila Emoyeni SEF**

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**Status:** Studies Pending

**HeritageAuthority(s):** SAHRA  
MPHRA

**Case Type:** Section 38 (8) - Statutory Comment Required

**Development Type:** Solar

**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.  
**ApplicationDate:** Monday, May 16, 2022 - 10:55  
**CaseID:** 18577  
**OtherReferences:**  
**Heritage Reports:** Heritage Screener: Ummbila Emoyeni REF  
**ReferenceList:**

**AdditionalDocuments**

1. 00. Ummbila SEF DSR 12.05.2022\_compressed & protected.pdf
2. Ummbila SEF Appendix A - EIA Project Consulting Team.pdf
3. Ummbila SEF Appendix B - Authority Consultation.pdf
4. Ummbila SEF Appendix C1 - Database (Public).pdf
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12. [Ummbila SEF Appendix D - Terrestrial Ecology & Freshwater Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
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Dear Ms Barkhuizen,

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**Tx and Regards**

Ria



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Dear Nicolene Venter

Noted.

Yours sincerely,

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

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**From:** Savannah Public Process  
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**To:** Nokukhanya Khumalo  
**Subject:** Proof of SAHRIS upload (CaseID 18578 - E3292: Ummbila Emoyeni Renewable Energy: Wind & Solar PV Facilities and Grid Connection Infrastructure  
**Attachments:** SE3292-Ummbila Emoyeni Scoping Report-SAHRIS.pdf

Dear Nokukhanya,

Please see attached proof of upload of the Scoping Report onto SAHRIS.

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

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**To:** Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>  
**Subject:** RE: E3292: UMMBILA EMOYENI RENEWABLE ENERGY: WIND & SOLAR PV FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE - Scoping Reports review and comment period ending soon

Good Afternoon

Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <http://sahra.org.za/sahris/>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.

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.

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

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

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**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.



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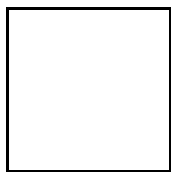
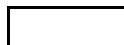
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**To:** 'dwfopsmiem@gmail.com'; 'dfacmiem@gmail.com'  
**Subject:** SE329: Ummbila Emoyeni Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities - .KMZ & BID  
**Attachments:** SE3292 Ummbila Emoyeni BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3292-Ummbila PVWEF SR Notification-FINAL.pdf; 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.

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**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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**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,

Ntombifutsi T. Mathebula (Prof. Planner-2682)  
Town & Regional Planner  
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>>> Nicolene Venter 2022/06/10 14:59 >>>  
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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.

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