

APPENDIX C5
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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE OF THE HYDRA B CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE
(DFFE 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 cluster of renewable energy facilities and grid connection, and a Registration & Comment Form.

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

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The following infrastructure will be associated with the developments.

- » Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures (monofacial or bifacial and a single axis tracking system)
- » Inverters and transformers
- » Cabling between the project components
- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)
- » On-site facility substation and power lines between the solar PV facility and the Eskom substation (to be confirmed and assessed through a separate process)
- » Site offices, Security office, operations and control, and maintenance and storage laydown areas
- » Access roads, internal distribution roads

Grid infrastructure for the project is to be confirmed in consultation with Eskom and will be assessed through a separate EIA process.

The attached Background Information Document provides additional technical information regarding these Applications for Environmental Authorisation, and a registration and comment form is also attached for your perusal.

Due to the proximity of the renewable energy facilities to one another, the public participation processes for each batch of projects will be undertaken concurrently, providing the public with an opportunity to understand and provide comment on all the projects.

You and/or the organisation / company, which you represent, have been identified as a stakeholder for the projects as described above, and your participation in this Basic Assessment and Public Participation Processes would be appreciated.

As an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP) you will be notified once the Scoping Reports are available for your review and comment.

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 Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (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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Documents attached: Background Information Document
Registration and Comment Form

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SE3346: Hydra B Cluster of Renewable Solar PVs & Grid Connection Facilities - Notification of EIA & Public Participation Process (POE)

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Thursday, 30
June 2022
Time: 19:41

Company	Last Name	First Name	
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	Vermeulen	Christoffel	
ABO Wind renewable energies (Pty) Ltd	Malherbe	Du Toit	
ABO Wind renewable energies (Pty) Ltd	Scheepers	Petrus	
African Farmers Association of South Africa	Mahlali	Vuyo	
Agri Northern Cape	Anthonissen	Eben	
Agri Northern Cape	De Wet	Hannes	
Agri Northern Cape	Jansen	Nicol	
Agri Northern Cape	Symington	Willem	
Agri Northern Cape	Van Rensburg	Wiaan	
AgriSA	Rabie	Janse	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Nkosi	Vusi	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	PHEME	Purity	
BirdLife South Africa	Ralston-Paton	Samantha	
Cell C	Joubert	Brian	
Cell C	Kasseepursad	Harish	
Cell C	Otto	Marius	
Co-operative Governance & Traditional Affairs	Fatyelwa	Eveline	
Co-Operative Governance & Traditional Leaders	Diphofa	Mashwahle	
Department of Energy	Qase	Nomawethu	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Buthlezi	Thoko	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Khumalo	Thulie N	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Lekota	Seoka	
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Marubini	Mashudu	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Kika	Ntsikelelo	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Mabaso	Sunday	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Maphinda	Mthetheleli	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Masipa	Pheladi	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Mocumi	Precious	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Mutheiwana	Kevin	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Nieuwoudt	Jasper	
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Swart	Pieter	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Du Toit	Mangalane	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Makgalemele	Nozizwe	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Moeketsi	Kgotso	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Ntloko-Gobodo	Nomfundo	
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Sehularo	Lorato	
Department of Science and Technology	Kgampe	Mere	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Cloete	Shaun	
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Department of Water and Sanitation	Hlengani	Alexia	

Department of Water and Sanitation	Mahunonyane	Moses	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mokhoantle	Lerato	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shibambu	Steven	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Streuders	Kobus	
Earth & Wire (Pty) Ltd	Brent	Kim	
Earthlife Africa	Lekalakala (Secretary)	Makoma	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Billy	L	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Felix	Shereave	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Jaftha	C	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Mkosana	ZV	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Msengana	TW	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Salman	Theresa	
Emthanjeni Local Municipality	Visser	Isak	
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Hoogstad	Constant	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Geeringh	John	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Khanye	Nondwe	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	van Gensen	Andrea	
Haumann Familie Trust	Haumann	Maria	
JW Jakkals (Pty)Ltd	De Villiers	Jakobus	
Loskop Boerdery (Pty) Ltd	Van Zyl	Hannes	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Gxasheka	Andile	
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Khumalo	Siphiwe	
NC - SA San Council	Louw	Collin	
NC Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements & Traditional Affairs	Botha	G	
NC Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs	Botha	Gladys	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Cloete	Peter	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	De la Fontaine	Samantha	
NC Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Mothibi	Viljoen	
NC Dept of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (Provincial)	Mans	Jacoline	
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (N Cape Prov Heritage Resource Authority)	Ratha	Timothy	
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (NCPHRA)	Timothy	Andrew	
Northern Cape Chamber of Commerce & Industry (NOCCI)	Steyn	Sharon	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture	Modise	Lerato	
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Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Diteme	Ali	
Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development	Mothibi	Wonders Dimakatso Viljoen	
Northern Cape Department of Co-operative Governance	Phete	A	
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Northern Cape Department of Roads & Public Works	Sithole	Menelisi	
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Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Moleko	Dineo	
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Swart	Elsabe	
Northern Cape Economic Development Agency	Mbobo	Babalwa	
Northern Cape Tourism	McKuchane	Peter	
Oosthuizen Trust	Menne	Wilhelm	
openServe (on behalf of Telkom SA Ltd)	Groenewald	Vivian	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Bosch	Beatrice	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Jaggers	Rachel	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Moloi	Napo	
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality	Pieterse	Rodney	

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Public Works	Olifant	Reginald	
Public Works	Van Rheede	Luzaan	
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SAHRA	Higgitt	Natasha	
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Sentech Ltd	Motlhake	Serame	
South African Bat Assessment Advisory Panel (SABAAP)	MacEwan	Kate	
South African Bat Assessment Association	Lotter	Caroline	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Mukoki	Alan	
South African Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Wadi	Albert	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Stroh	Lizelle	
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Vilakazi	Zwelithini	
South African Civilian Aviation Authority	Jakavula	Zukisani	
South African Department of Defence	Zondi	Lt. Col. Kebasenos	
South African National Defense Force	Kenny	JR	
South African National Parks	Novellie	Peter	
South African National Parks (SANP)	Daphne	Paul	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Matlhane	Selaelo	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Monama	Tshegofatso	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Nape	Thato	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Sithole	Busang	
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Tiplady	Adrian	
South African Weather Services	Jardine	Rydall	
South African Weather Services	Magogoty	Zamikhaya	
South African Weather Services	Mofokeng	Puseletso	
South African Weather Services	Ngoepe	Webster	
South African Weather Services	Petlane	Bernard	
Tafelkop Trust	Van den Berg	JP	
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Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Shaw	Leonard	
The Green Connection	Allie	Sakeena	
The Green Connection	Arkert	Jan	
The Green Connection	Arkert	Linda	
The Green Connection	Hamilton	Gillian	
The Green Connection	Modise	Ketshepaone	
The Green Connection	Van Rooy	Neville	
Transnet Freight Rail	Maharaj	Verishnee	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Kilian	Geraldine	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Mathebula	Futhi	
Transnet SOC Ltd	Njonga	Andiswa	
Vodacom	Adraanse	Junior	
Vodacom	Barnard	Hennie	
Vodacom	Fourie	Nico	
WESSA Northern Cape Region	Erasmus	Suzanne	
Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)	Wesson	John	
Totals:			

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE OF THE HYDRA B CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Registration & Comment Form

June 2022

Return completed registration and comment form to: **Nicolene Vente** of Savannah Environmental

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E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com Postal Address: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157

Your registration as an interested and/or affected party will be applicable for this project only and your contact details provided are protected by the POPI Act of 2013

Please provide your complete contact details:

Name & Surname:	ANDRE JANSSEN VAN KENSBURG	
Organisation:	SANCO DE AAR	
Designation:	DE AAR, 7000	
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Telephone:	082 931 4609	Fax
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E-mail:	deaar@sanco.co.za	

I would you like to register as an interested and affected party (I&AP) on the following **Hydra B** project/s database (please tick the relevant box)

Phase 1: Cluster of 12 Solar PV Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Phase 2: Cluster of 6 Solar PV Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Phase 3: Cluster of 4 Solar PV Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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In terms of EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, Regulation 43(1), you are required to register as an I&AP to receive further correspondence regarding the EIA process for the project and to disclose any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which you may have in the approval or refusal of the application (add additional pages if necessary):

Please list your comments regarding your project selection above (add additional pages if necessary):

Please provide contact details of any other persons who you regard as a potential interested or affected party:

Name & Surname:	
Postal Address:	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	
E-mail:	

Thank you for your registration

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From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Monday, 04 July 2022 05:47
To: 'Eddie'
Subject: SE3346: Hydra B Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities & Grid Connection Infrastructure - Acknowledgement of Registration Form & Comments

Dear Eddie,

Please receive herewith our acknowledgement of your registration as an affected landowner and your comments have been shared with the project team.

Kind regards,



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Subject: RE: SE3346: Hydra B Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities & Grid Connection Infrastructure - Notification of EIA and Public Participation Process

Good day Nicolene,

Please find attached the completed Registration and Comment form as requested.

Thank You.
Kind Regards.
Eddie Haumann.

From: Savannah Environmental Public Process [<mailto:publicprocess@savannahsa.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2022 7:50 PM
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To: Nicolene Venter
Subject: Submission Confirmation

First Name: Nicolene
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Email: nicolene@savannahsa.com
Subject: Scatec Solar PV Farms (Approved): Request for contact details
Message: Dear Sir / Madam,

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Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the separate applications for EA and undertaking the supporting EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the projects detailed above, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPrs).

As a renewable developer with approved solar PV farms within the 30km radius of the above-mentioned proposed developments, it would be appreciated if you can provide me with a contact person (and contact details i.e. email address) to inform Scatec of the above-mentioned projects.

Kind regards,
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Public Participation and Social Consultant
Savannah Environmental

Contact Country: South Africa