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# BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

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### Appendix E.1 Placement of Newspaper Advertisements and Site Notice Board

#### BA Report Phase (Release of Draft BA Report for 30-day comment period): Newspaper Advertisement – The Stellalander (English)

#### NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT (BA) PROCESSES

#### THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THREE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, SOUTH-WEST OF VRYBURG, NORTH WEST

Notice is given in terms of the amended Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, under sub-regulation 41 (2) (a), published in Government Gazette (GG) No 40772 of 7 April 2017, of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended) (NEMA), that ABO Wind Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd, supported by Veroniva (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter referred to as “Veroniva”) proposes to construct and operate 3 x 115 Megawatt (MW) Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Facilities and associated electrical infrastructure near Vryburg in North West. The proposed Solar Facilities will be connected to the Mookodi Substation via 132 kV distribution lines for each 115 MW Facility. The proposed Facilities will be constructed on two land portions, namely Portion 2 of Frankfort Farm 672 and Portion 1 of Retreat Farm 671, with the distribution lines also traversing Portion 0 and Portion 1 of Frankfort Farm 672, and Remainder of Rosendal Farm 673. The proposed project site is located approximately 8 km south-west of Vryburg.

The projects are located in the Vryburg Renewable Energy Development Zone (REDZ). The REDZs represent areas where wind and solar photovoltaic development is being incentivised from resource, socio-economic and environmental perspectives. The Wind and Solar SEA REDZs were identified in five provinces, including North West, as defined in Notice No. 114 – *Notice for Renewable Energy Development Activities procedure to apply for Environmental Authorisation* - in Government Gazette No 41445 of 16 February 2018.

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998, as amended) (NEMA) and the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations promulgated in Government Gazette 40772 and Government Notice (GN) R326, R327, R325 and R324 on 7 April 2017, wind and solar PV projects located within a REDZs are subject to a Basic Assessment (BA) Process. The need for a BA is triggered by the following activities listed in GNR 324, 325 and 327: *GNR 327; Activity 11, 28(ii) and 47, GNR 325; Activity 1 and 15 and GNR 324; Activity 4 and 12.*

You are hereby notified of the release and availability of the Draft BA Reports for a 30-day review period by Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). Hard copies of the Draft BA Reports are available for public viewing at the Huhudi Public Library (cnr Mosiapoia & Nelson Mandela Drive, Huhudi 8601). The Draft BA Reports are also available in the form of an electronic copy on the following website: <https://www.csir.co.za/environmental-impact-assessment>. You are kindly requested to register your interest in the projects and submit any comments you may have to the CSIR (at the details indicated below): **Surina Laurie, CSIR, PO Box 320, Stellenbosch 7599, Phone: (021) 888 2561, Fax: (021) 888 2693 or Email: [slaurie@csir.co.za](mailto:slaurie@csir.co.za)**. You have until on or before 14 **September 2018** to do so (30 days from the date of this publication - including weekends, but excluding public holidays).

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### COPY OF THE SITE NOTICE BOARDS: ENGLISH AND AFRIKAANS

**JOINT NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT (BA) PROCESS**

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THREE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, SOUTH-WEST OF VRYBURG, NORTH WEST**

Notice is given in terms of the amended Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations under, sub-regulation 41 (2) (a), published in Government Gazette 40772 of 7 April 2017, of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998, as amended) (NEMA), that Veroniva (Pty) Ltd (herein after referred to as "Veroniva") proposes to construct and operate 3 x 115 Megawatt (MW) Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Facilities and associated electrical infrastructure near Vryburg in the North West. The proposed Facilities will be constructed on two land portions, namely Portion 2 of Frankfort Farm 672 and Portion 1 of Retreat Farm 671, located approximately 8 km south-west of Vryburg. The proposed Solar Facilities will be connected to the Mookodi Substation via 132 kV transmission lines for each 115 MW Facility.

The projects are located in the Vryburg Renewable Energy Development Zone (REDZ). In terms of the NEMA and the NEMA EIA Regulations promulgated in Government Gazette 40772 and Government Notice (GN) R326, R327, R325 and R324 on 7 April 2017, wind and solar PV projects located within a REDZs are subject to a Basic Assessment (BA) Process. The CSIR has been appointed by Veroniva to undertake the required BA Process for the proposed projects. The need for a Basic Assessment is triggered by the following potential listed activities listed in GNR 324,325 and 327:

Government Notice	Listed Activity Number
GNR 327, 7 April 2017	Activity 11; Activity 28 (ii) and Activity 47
GNR 325, 7 April 2017	Activity 1 and Activity 15
GNR 324, 7 April 2017	Activity 4 and Activity 12

Since the proposed 115 MW Solar PV Facilities and associated electrical infrastructure are located within the same geographical area and constitute the same type of activity, an integrated Public Participation Process will be undertaken for the proposed projects. However, separate Applications for Environmental Authorisation (EA) will be lodged with the Competent Authority (i.e. the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)) for each proposed Solar PV Facility and transmission line. Separate Basic Assessment Reports) will be compiled for each project.

To ensure that you are included on the project register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP), as well as to raise any issues and concerns for inclusion in the BA Reports, you are kindly requested to register your interest in the projects and submit any comments you may have to the CSIR (at the details indicated below).

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Figure 1: Locality Map depicting the location of the proposed three Solar Photovoltaic Facilities

### English Site Notice Board

**GESAMENTLIKE KENNISGEWING VAN BASIESE BESTEKSTUDIE (BB) PROSES**

**VOORGESTELDE ONTWIKKELING VAN DRIE SONKRAG FOTOVOLTAÏESE FASILITEITE EN GEASSOSIEERDE ELEKTRIESE INFRASTRUKTUUR, SUIDWES VAN VRYBURG, NOORDWES**

Kennisgewing word gegee ingevolge die gewysigde Omgewingsimpak Studie (OIS) Regulasies kragtens subregulasie 41 (2) (a), gepubliseer in Staatskoerant 40772 van 7 April 2017, van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (Wet 107 van 1998, soos gewysig) (NEMA), dat Veroniva (Pty) Ltd (hierna verwys as "Veroniva") beoog om 3 x 115 Megawatt (MW) Sonkrag Fotovoltaïese (PV) Fasiliteite en verwante elektriese infrastruktuur naby Vryburg in Noordwes op te rig en te bedryf. Die voorgestelde fasiliteite sal gebou word op twee grondgedeeltes, naamlik Gedeelte 2 van Frankfort Plaas 672 en Gedeelte 1 van Retreat Farm 671, ongeveer 8 km suidwes van Vryburg geleë. Die voorgestelde Sonkrag Fasiliteite sal verbind word aan die Mookodi-substasie via die 132 kV-transmissielyn vir elke 115 MW aanleg.

Die projekte is in die Vryburg Hernubare Energie Ontwikkelingsgebied (REDZ) geleë. Ingevolge die Nasionale Omgewingsbestuurswet (NEMA) en die NEMA OIS-regulasies afgekondig in Staatskoerant 40772 en Regeringskennisgewing (GN) R326, R327, R325 en R324 op 7 April 2017, is wind- en sonkrag PV projekte wat binne 'n REDZ geleë is, onderworpe aan 'n Basiese Bestekstudie (BB) Proses. Die WNNR is deur Veroniva aangestel om die vereiste BB proses vir die voorgestelde projekte te onderneem. Die behoefte aan 'n Basiese Bestekstudie word veroorsaak deur die volgende potensiele gestypte aktiwiteite wat in GNR 324,325 en 327 vermeld word:

Regeringskennisgewing	Gelyste Aktiwiteit Nummer
GNR 327, 7 April 2017	Aktiwiteit 11; Aktiwiteit 28 (ii), en Aktiwiteit 47
GNR 325, 7 April 2017	Aktiwiteit 1 en Aktiwiteit 15
GNR 324, 7 April 2017	Aktiwiteit 4; en Aktiwiteit 12.

Aangesien die voorgestelde 115 MW Sonkrag Fasiliteite en gepaardgaande elektriese infrastruktuur binne dieselfde geografiese gebied geleë is en dieselfde tipe aktiwiteit vorm, sal 'n geïntegreerde Openbare Deelname Proses vir die voorgestelde projekte onderneem word. Afsonderlike aansoeke om Omgewingsmagtiging (EA) sal egter by die Bevoegde Owerheid (dws die Nasionale Departement van Omgewingsake (DEA)) ingedien word vir elke voorgestelde Sonkrag Fasiliteit en transmissielyn. Afsonderlike Basiese Studie Verslae sal vir elke projek opgestel word.

Om te verseker dat u as 'n Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Party (B&GP) in die projekregister ingesluit word, asook om enige kwessies en bekommernisse te kan deel vir insluiting in die BB verslae, word u vriendelik versoek om u belangstelling in die projekte te registreer en enige kommentaar wat u mag hê aan die WNNR te stuur (na die besonderhede hieronder aangedui).

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Fig 1: Liggingkaart wat die ligging van die voorgestelde drie Son Fotovoltaïese fasiliteite aanwys

### Afrikaans Site Notice Board

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Number	Name	Company/ Organisation	Physical Address	Postal Address	Tel	Email	Deregister interest	Automatically registered I&APs	Letter 1: Notice of Release of Consultation BA Reports	Request to Register	Comment on Consultation BA Reports	Email: Notice of Submission of BA Reports to DEA	Let 2: Notice of EA for BAs
<b>National Organs of State</b>													
1.	Muhammad Essop	National Department of Environmental Affairs: Integrated Environmental Authorisations	Environment House 473 Steve Biko Road Arcadia Pretoria; 0001	Private Bag X447 Pretoria 0001	012 - 399 9304	<i>messop@environment.gov.za</i>							
2.	Coenrad Agenbach	National Department of Environmental Affairs: Integrated Environmental Authorisations	Environment House 473 Steve Biko Road Arcadia Pretoria;0001	Private Bag X447 Pretoria 0001	012 - 399 9403	<i>CAgenbach@environment.gov.za</i>							
3.	Herman Alberts	National Department of Environmental Affairs: Integrated Environmental Authorisations	Environment House 473 Steve Biko Road Arcadia Pretoria; 0001	Private Bag X447 Pretoria 0001	012 - 399 9371	<i>HAlberts@environment.gov.za</i>							
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6.	Mashudu Marubini	Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries - Delegate of the Minister (Act 70 of 1970)	Delpen Building cnr Annie Botha and Union Street Office 270 Pretoria; 0001	Private Bag X120 Pretoria 0001	012 - 319 7634	<i>MashuduMa@daff.gov.za</i>							
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9.	Anneliza Collett	Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries - AgriLand Liaison office	Delpen Building cnr Annie Botha and Union Street Office 270 Pretoria; 0001	Private Bag X120 Pretoria 0001	021 - 3197508	<i>annelizac@nda.agric.za</i> <i>AnnelizaC@daff.gov.za</i>							
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11.	H. J. Buys	Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries - Land Use and Soil Management	Delpen Building cnr Annie Botha and Union Street Office 270 Pretoria; 0001	Private Bag X120 Pretoria 0001		<i>HettieB@daff.gov.za</i>							
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14.	Mmoni Suza	National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Kulawula House 526 Vermeulen Street Arcadia Pretoria; 0001	PO Box 40343 Arcadia 0007	012 - 401 4670 012 - 401 4600	<i>Mmoni.Suza@nersa.org.za</i>							
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16.	Lizell Stroh	South African Civilian Aviation Authority	Ikhaya Lokundiza 16 Treur Close Waterfall Park, Bekker Street Midrand, Gauteng; 1685	Private Bag X73 Halfway House 1685	011 - 545 1232	<i>strohl@caa.co.za</i>							
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19.	Kevin Leask	ESKOM	D1Z38 Megawatt Park 1 Maxwell Drive Sunninghill; 2191	PO Box 1091 Johannesburg 2157	072 888 9209	<i>LeaskK@eskom.co.za</i>							
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22.	Natasha Higgitt	SAHRA				<i>nhiggitt@sahra.org.za</i>							
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28.	Ms Tyiselani Mashele	South African National Roads Agency (SANRAL)			012 - 844 8000	<i>mashelet@nra.co.za</i>							
<b>Provincial and Municipal Organs of State</b>													
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32.	Victor Tlhabanelo	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District Municipality	50 Market Street Vryburg 8600	PO Box 21 Vryburg 8600	054 - 927 222 053 928 4700 053 928 4713	<i>tlhabanelov@bophirima.co.za</i>							
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35.	Bonolo Mohlakoana	Regional Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries - North West	Stadium Road, Mmabatho		0183895719	<i>bmohlakoana@nwpg.gov.za</i>							
36.	Mr Abe Abrahams	Department of Water and Sanitation - North West	28 Central Road, Beaconsfield, Kimberly 8301	Private Bag X6101 Kimberly 8300	071 23921499 083 4880655	<i>abrahamsa@dws.gov.za</i>							
37.	Ms Lebo Diale	Department of Agriculture- North West		Private Bag X2039 Mmabatho 2735	018 - 389 5724	<i>Acharles@nwpg.gov.za</i>							
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42.	Mr Pieter Swart	Department of Mineral Resources		Private Bag XA1 Klerksdorp 2570		<i>Pieter.Swart@dmr.gov.za</i>							
43.	Emilly Moathlodi	Department of Labour				<i>emily.moathlodi@labour.gov.za</i>							
44.	Mr P Du Toit	Agri North West			0823881722 0186323612	<i>marlize@agrinw.co.za</i>							
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46.	Adrian Tiplady	SKA SA	17 Baker Street Rosebank Johannesburg; 2196		011 - 442 2434	<a href="mailto:atiplady@ska.ac.za">atiplady@ska.ac.za</a>							
<b>Ward Councillors</b>													
47.	Kenalemang Lillian Bome	Ward 5 Councillor		PO Box 1745 Vryburg 8600	0725932803								
48.	Lota Moholo	Ward 9 Councillor			0793831456	<a href="mailto:moholombj@gmail.com">moholombj@gmail.com</a>							
<b>Conservation organizations and NGOs</b>													
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51.	Freyne du Toit	Grasslands Society of Southern Africa		PO Box 41 Hilton 3245	049 - 842 4335	<a href="mailto:admin@grasslands.org.za">admin@grasslands.org.za</a>							
52.		Endangered Wildlife Trust, Wildlife and Energy Programme			086 011 1535	<a href="mailto:wep@ewt.org.za">wep@ewt.org.za</a>							
53.	Dr. Howard Hendricks	South African National Parks (SANParks) - Snr GM: Policy & Governance Conservation Services Division		PO Box 787 Pretoria 0001	012 - 426 5165 083 640 5296	<a href="mailto:howard.hendricks@sanparks.org">howard.hendricks@sanparks.org</a>							
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55.	Praneel Ruplal	Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA)				<a href="mailto:pruplal@icasa.org.za">pruplal@icasa.org.za</a>							
56.	Morgan Griffiths	Wildlife and Environmental Society of South Africa (WESSA) - Port Elizabeth Office - Environmental Governance Programme		P.O. Box 12444 Central Port Elizabeth 6001	082 957 1618 041 586 0000	<a href="mailto:morgan.griffiths@wessa.co.za">morgan.griffiths@wessa.co.za</a>							
57.	Mr Lemson Petha	WESSA		PO Box 435 Ferndale 2160	011 - 462 5663	<a href="mailto:info@wessanorth.co.za">info@wessanorth.co.za</a> / <a href="mailto:se@museumsnc.co.za">se@museumsnc.co.za</a>							



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58.	John Wesson	NWCA (North West Conservancy and Stewardship Association)				<i>jwesson@wessanorth.co.za</i>							
<b>Landowners</b>													
59.	Adele Oberholzer	The Edinburgh Trust	Portion 2 of Frankfurt Farm No. 672; Portion 1 of Farm Retreat No. 671; Portion 1 of Frankfurt Farm No. 672 Portion 0 of Frankfurt Farm No. 672 (Remainder)		PO Box 4106 Molopo Vryburg 8628	0823386196							
60.	Vryburg Municipality Property Administration (Mr. George Ramogogane)	Naledi Local Municipality	Remainder of Farm Rosendal 673, IN	Office of Municipal Manager, Naledi Local Municipality, 19A Market Street, Vryburg, 8600	PO Box 35 Vryburg 8600	076 335 8495							
<b>Adjacent Property Owners</b>													
61.	Adele Oberholzer	The Edinburgh Trust	Farm Edinburg 0/735		PO Box 4106 Molopo Vryburg 8628	0823386196							
62.	Adele Oberholzer	The Edinburgh Trust	Farm Edinburg 1/735		PO Box 4106 Molopo Vryburg 8628	0823386196							
63.	Naledi Local Municipality (Office of Municipal Manager)	Naledi Local Municipality	Farm 18 Portion 0	Office of Municipal Manager, Naledi Local Municipality, 19A Market Street, Vryburg, 8600	PO Box 35 Vryburg 8600	076 335 8495							
64.	Naledi Local Municipality (Office of Municipal Manager)	Naledi Local Municipality	Kameelfontein 666 Portion 0	Office of Municipal Manager, Naledi Local Municipality, 19A Market Street, Vryburg, 8600	PO Box 35 Vryburg 8600	0714828395							
65.	Lourens De Jager	KLONDIKE BELEGGINGS CC	Klondike 670 Portion 0 / RE of Farm Klondike 670 IN		PO BOX 109 SCHWEIZERRENEKE 2780	0539631551 0832852585							

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66.	Israel Seipelo	SEIPELO FARMING PROJECTS PTY LTD	Klondike 670 Portion 4 / Portion 4 of Farm Klondike 670 IN		PO BOX 1903 BENORYN, BENONI 1504	0537422547 0745833814								
67.		Klondike Lodge	Klondike 670 Portion 8 / Portion 8 of Farm Klondike 670 IN				<i>bookings@klondikevbg.co.za</i>							
68.		Klondike Lodge	Klondike 670 Portion 11 / Portion 11 of Farm Klondike 670 IN				<i>bookings@klondikevbg.co.za</i>							
69.			Nazareth 665 Portion 4				<i>dickandjill@melliferahunt.co.za</i>							
70.			Nazareth 665 Portion 0				<i>dickandjill@melliferahunt.co.za</i>							
71.	George Efstratios Apostollesis	CHARMAKOR VRYBURG PTY LTD	Retreat 671 Portion 0 / Re Farm Retreat 671 IN		PO BOX 439 VRYBURG 8600	0539273092 0825505905 0824142097	<i>vryburg@midas.co.za</i>							
72.	Anna Van der Merwe	Private	Rosendal 673 Portion 2 / Portion 2 of Farm Rosendal 673 IN	GEORGIA RD FARM, VRYBURG DISTRICT, VRYBURG	PO BOX 534 VRYBURG 8600									
73.	Naledi Local Municipality (Office of Municipal Manager)	Naledi Local Municipality	Rosendal 673 Portion 3	Office of Municipal Manager, Naledi Local Municipality, 19A Market Street, Vryburg, 8600	PO Box 35 Vryburg 8600	076 335 8495	<i>municipal manager@naledi.local.gov.za / PA: strydomr@naledi.local.gov.za</i>							
74.	Naledi Local Municipality (Office of Municipal Manager)	Naledi Local Municipality	Rosendal 673 Portion 8 / Portion 8 of Farm Rosendal 673 IN	Office of Municipal Manager, Naledi Local Municipality, 19A Market Street, Vryburg, 8600	PO Box 35 Vryburg 8600	076 335 8495	<i>municipal manager@naledi.local.gov.za / PA: strydomr@naledi.local.gov.za</i>							
75.	Tiger Kloof Educational Institution		Waterloo 730 Portion 3		PO Box 441 Vryburg 8600	053 - 928 7000 0823388424	<i>info@tigerkloof.org.za</i>							
76.	Tiger Kloof Educational Institution		Waterloo 730 Portion 4		PO Box 441 Vryburg 8600	053 - 928 7000 0823388424	<i>info@tigerkloof.org.za</i>							
<b>Proximal Properties (Not Adjacent)</b>														
77.		Klondike Lodge	Klondike 670 Portion 6				<i>bookings@klondikevbg.co.za</i>							
78.		Klondike Lodge	Klondike 670 Portion 9				<i>bookings@klondikevbg.co.za</i>							
79.		Klondike Lodge	Klondike 670 Portion 10				<i>bookings@klondikevbg.co.za</i>							

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<b>Other I&amp;APs</b>													
80.	Claude Bosman	Veroniva (PTY) Ltd - Renewable Energy			082 331 4098	<i>claud@veroniva.co.za</i>							
81.	Etian Louw	Veroniva (PTY) Ltd - Renewable Energy		PO Box 3253 Pinegowrie Johannesburg 2124		<i>etian@veroniva.co.za</i>							
82.	Veera Juusti	ABO Wind				<i>Veera.Juusti@abo-wind.com</i>							
83.	Mike Magnall	ABO Wind				<i>Mike.Magnall@abo-wind.com</i>							
84.	Chris Cronje	TV3			081 230 1242	<i>Chris@tv3.co.za</i>							
85.	Melanie Miles	Leads 2 Business			086 083 6337	<i>MelanieM@L2B.co.za</i>							
86.		SENTECH		Private Bag X06 Honeydew 2040	086 073 6832	<i>support@sentech.co.za</i>							
87.	Keabetsoe Dlamini	Transnet			011 - 308 3000	<i>Keabetsoe.Dlamini@transnet.net</i>							
88.	Mr Tony Games	Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (PRASA)			011 - 773 1506	<i>tgames@prasa.com</i>							
89.	Mr Charlie Berrington	AMDA Developments			021 - 461 3382 082 440 4057	<i>charlie@amdadevelopments.co.za</i>							
90.	Armandt Joubert	BioTherm Energy (Pty) Ltd	Building 1, Leslie Ave East, Design Quarter District, Fourways		+27 (0) 11 367 4628	<i>ajoubert@biothermenergy.com</i>							
91.		Huhudi Public Library	Cnr Mosiapo & Nelson Mandela Drive Huhudi; 8601		053 - 928 2251								

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#### Appendix E.3 Pre-Application Correspondence with the DEA

**From:** Rohaida Abed  
**To:** Dlamini, Samkelsiwe  
**CC:** Lochner, Paul; Litsoane, Masina  
**Date:** 01/08/2018 08:10  
**Subject:** RE: Pre-application meeting request for Basic Assessments for Vryburg Solar PV projects (x3) in the Vryburg REDZ

Dear Samke

I hope that you are well. Many thanks for your kind assistance with this, and for your feedback. It is appreciated. We are currently finalising the DBAR for release.

Kind Regards

Rohaida

>>> Samkelsiwe Dlamini <SDlamini@environment.gov.za> 31/07/2018 14:16 >>>  
[The e-mail server of the sender could not be verified (SPF Record)]  
Dear Rohaida

Please note that according to the information provided the specialist studies listed are sufficient (it must be noted that should there be further studies required, as a result of the DBAR or site inspection/s conducted, the Department will request for those in order to make an informed decision).

It has been noted that the proposed solar PV projects are in the Vryburg REDZ 6 and therefore the gazetted REDZ regulations should apply.

Please note that the approach adopted in assessing the cumulative impacts is satisfactory.

Please note that this email is based on the information provided and does not apply to any information that I wasn't exposed to.

Regards

Samke

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**From:** Rohaida Abed [[RAbed@csir.co.za](mailto:RAbed@csir.co.za)]  
**Sent:** Monday, 30 July 2018 17:08  
**To:** Samkelsiwe Dlamini  
**Cc:** Paul Lochner; Masina Litsoane  
**Subject:** RE: Pre-application meeting request for Basic Assessments for Vryburg Solar PV projects (x3) in the Vryburg REDZ

Dear Samke

I hope that you are well. Thanks for your feedback. I tried calling you earlier today. Please let us know if you will be able to send us a response before 1 August 2018? Apologies for the pressure regarding this - we appreciate your assistance.

Kind Regards

Rohaida

>>> Samkelsiwe Dlamini <SDlamini@environment.gov.za> 26/07/2018 08:57 >>>  
[The e-mail server of the sender could not be verified (SPF Record)]  
Dear Rohaida

I acknowledge the receipt of your email and I will respond soon.

Please note that the Boardrooms are fully booked for the 31 July and therefore the response will be done via email.

Thanks

Samke

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**From:** Rohaida Abed [<mailto:RAbed@csir.co.za>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 25 July 2018 15:35  
**To:** Samkelsiwe Dlamini  
**Cc:** Paul Lochner; ElAadmin; Ephron Maradwa; Toinette Van Der Merwe  
**Subject:** RE: Pre-application meeting request for Basic Assessments for Vryburg Solar PV projects (x3) in the Vryburg REDZ

Dear Samkelsiwe

I hope that you are well. Thank you for the discussion earlier. As discussed, we note the importance of pre-application communication with the DEA. We have therefore humbly requested (based on our timeframes):

- 1) for a meeting via telecon to assist with venue constraints on 31 July, 27 July or 1 August; OR
- 2) responses to the clarification points noted in the trailing email below sent by Mr. Paul Lochner on 19/07/2018 at 11:29.

You mentioned over the phone yesterday that you needed to discuss the application allocation with Ephron, and that you are not available on 27 July or 1 August. You also noted that if a telecon is requested, you would still require a boardroom. I mentioned that we can try to arrange for a venue at the CSIR offices in Pretoria for you to dial to us.

As discussed today, you mentioned that you are awaiting feedback from your boardroom booking team, however you will instead try to respond to our queries via email either on 26/07/18 or 27/07/18.

As discussed today, please could you kindly provide us with feedback so that we can finalise the report for release on 3 August 2018.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of my email?

Thank you very much for your assistance with this.

Kind Regards,

Rohaida

>>> Rohaida Abed 24/07/2018 09:20 >>>  
Dear Ephron

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Thank you very much for your assistance with this, it is appreciated.

Dear Samkelisiwe

Thanks for your assistance with this. I tried calling you earlier today on 012 399 9379 to discuss. Please could you give me a call when you have a chance on 031 242 2318? We would like to discuss our request below regarding a pre-application meeting via telecon (on 31 July, 27 July or 1 August), and/or responses to the queries below by 1 August?

Thank you and kind regards,

Rohaida

>>> Ephron Maradwa <[EMaradwa@environment.gov.za](mailto:EMaradwa@environment.gov.za)> 24/07/2018 08:09 >>>  
[The e-mail server of the sender could not be verified (SPF Record)]

Dear Rohaida

The Pre-App was allocated to Samkelisiwe Dlamini and I cch her there

Regards

Ephron

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From: Rohaida Abed (<mailto:RAbed@csir.co.za>)

Sent: Monday, 23 July 2018 17:06

To: Ephron Maradwa

Cc: Paul Lochner; EIAAdmin; Toinette Van Der Merwe

Subject: RE: Pre-application meeting request for Basic Assessments for Vryburg Solar PV projects (x3) in the Vryburg REDZ

Dear Ephron

Thank you for the discussion earlier today, it is appreciated. As discussed, you mentioned that you are currently allocating a case officer to the project, and that I should call you at the end of today or tomorrow morning to confirm the case officer details. Once we have case officer details, we can discuss the pre-application meeting request dates with the case officer directly.

I tried calling you earlier. I will call you tomorrow morning to confirm the case officer details.

Thank you and Toinette for your assistance with this.

Kind Regards

Rohaida

>>> Rohaida Abed 20/07/2018 13:29 >>>

Dear Toinette

Thank you very much for your quick feedback, and for your kind assistance with this whilst you are out of the office. We look forward to feedback from your team, and hope that we are able to confirm a meeting on either of the days requested.

Would you be able to kindly send me the details of someone I can follow up with directly?

Kind Regards,

Rohaida

>>> Toinette Van Der Merwe <[TVanDerMerwe@environment.gov.za](mailto:TVanDerMerwe@environment.gov.za)> 20/07/2018 13:02 >>>  
[The e-mail server of the sender could not be verified (SPF Record)]

Dear Rohaida,

I am currently out of office and I have asked my team to allocate this.

Kind regards

Toinette

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From: Rohaida Abed (<mailto:RAbed@csir.co.za>)

Sent: 20 July 2018 11:36 AM

To: Toinette Van Der Merwe <[TVanDerMerwe@environment.gov.za](mailto:TVanDerMerwe@environment.gov.za)>

Cc: Paul Lochner <[PLochner@csir.co.za](mailto:PLochner@csir.co.za)>

Subject: Fwd: Pre-application meeting request for Basic Assessments for Vryburg Solar PV projects (x3) in the Vryburg REDZ

Dear Toinette

I hope that you are well. Please refer to the email below. Would you be able to kindly assist us with the request below regarding a pre-application meeting via telecon (on 31 July, 27 July or 1 August), and/or responses to the queries below? We have forwarded it to EIA Admin as well. We are planning on releasing the Draft BA Report on 3 August 2018, however note the importance of communication with the DEA prior to submission of the Application Form and Draft BA Report. We wish to achieve this communication in the most efficient manner.

We look forward to your feedback.

Kind Regards

Rohaida

CSIR - Environmental Management Services

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Email: [rahed@csir.co.za](mailto:rahed@csir.co.za)

>>> Paul Lochner 19/07/2018 11:29 >>>

Tel: EIA Admin, Department of Environmental Affairs

Good day,

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### Request for 1) Pre-Application Correspondence and/or 2) Pre-Application Meeting with the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) for the Proposed Vryburg Solar 1, 2 and 3 Photovoltaic (PV) Facilities

#### 1. Pre-Application Correspondence

The Applicant wishes to commence with the Basic Assessment (BA) Processes (listed below) as soon as possible based on the timeframes of the next bidding round of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP). Based on the time limitations associated with the REIPPPP, the Applicant wishes to release the Draft BA Reports by 03 August 2018. However, we understand that communication with the DEA prior to submission of the Application Form and Draft BA Report is important, and we would still like to achieve this communication in the most efficient manner, which will also assist us with finalising the Draft BA Report (DBAR) for release for Stakeholder and Public Comment. We have therefore captured a few notes or queries below, that we hope the DEA would consider and provide us with feedback as soon as possible, i.e. by 01 August 2018? If there are no major changes required, we would then proceed with the 03 August submission of the Application and release of the DBAR.

#### **Background and Location:**

ABO Wind Renewable Energies (Pty) Ltd with support from Veroniva (Pty) Ltd (the project developers), are proposing to develop three 115 MW Solar PV Facilities and associated electrical infrastructure (including a 132 kV distribution line from each PV Facility to the Eskom Mookodi Substation), near Vryburg in the North West Province. The proposed projects are referred to as "Vryburg Solar 1, Vryburg Solar 2, and Vryburg Solar 3". The Applicants will be: Vryburg Solar 1 (Pty) Ltd; Vryburg Solar 2 (Pty) Ltd; and Vryburg Solar 3 (Pty) Ltd.

The proposed projects will occur on the following farm portions (as shown in the attached Pre-application meeting request form and locality map):

- Portion 1 of Farm Retreat Number 671
- Portion 0 (Remaining Extent) of Farm Frankfurt 672
- Portion 1 of Farm Frankfurt Number 672 ("Edin")
- Portion 2 of Farm Frankfurt Number 672 ("Erica")
- Remainder of Farm Rosendal 673, IN

The proposed projects fall entirely within the Renewable Energy Zone (REDZ) 6 (i.e. Vryburg REDZ), that was Gazetted in February 2018 by the Minister of Environmental Affairs. As noted in Government Notice 114, a BA Process in terms of Appendix 1 of the EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) will be undertaken for the proposed project, with a 57 day decision-making timeframe.

#### **Specialist Studies:**

The following specialist studies have been commissioned as part of this BA Process:

- Visual Impact Assessment
- Heritage Impact Assessment: Archaeology and Cultural Landscape
- Heritage Impact Assessment: Palaeontology
- Soils and Agricultural Potential Assessment
- Ecological Assessment (Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecology)
- Social Impact Assessment
- Avifauna Assessment
- Traffic Impact Statement

A Traffic Impact Statement will be compiled by CSIR and peer reviewed by an external traffic engineer, as successfully done for previous EIA and BA Projects for similar PV projects.

The above list of specialist studies has been commissioned based on the issues that are linked to the proposed Solar PV development in the Vryburg area, findings from the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) that informed the Gazetting of the REDZs, as well as based on research undertaken on similar projects surrounding the proposed project, including our previous experience in Solar PV EIAs and BAs. We believe that the specialist studies captured above are comprehensive and best suited to cover the range of issues and impacts linked to the proposed projects.

Please could the DEA confirm that the specialist studies listed above are sufficient?

#### **Cumulative Impacts:**

For the approach to cumulative impacts for the proposed Vryburg Solar PV projects, we will consider the renewable energy projects within a 30 km radius of the proposed sites that have a positive Environmental Authorisation (EA) issued at the start of these BA Processes (i.e. 18 June 2018), based on an internet search and egis data.

The main reasons for this approach are:

1. The 30 km radius was approved by the DEA for other recent and similar projects undertaken by the CSIR (i.e. there is a reasonable precedent).
2. For projects where an EIA may have started, there is no guarantee that these projects will receive EA, nor is there a guarantee of the extent of the project that may be authorised (i.e. only a portion of the project component could be authorised).
3. For projects where an EIA may have started or is in progress, the project description may still change; hence a definitive approved project description cannot be used in the assessment of cumulative impacts.
4. Even if a project receives an EA, there is no guarantee that it will be awarded preferred bidder status under the REIPPPP. Experience from the renewable energy program to date shows that only approximately 10% to 20% of projects with positive Environmental Authorisations have been awarded preferred bidder status. However, we are still adopting a precautionary approach by considering all renewable energy projects within a 30 km radius of the proposed sites with a positive EA as at 18 June 2018.

In addition, some of the specialists will still consider the other renewable energy projects with EIAs and BAs in progress within a 30 km radius, and add a statement regarding this in their reports.

#### **2. Pre-Application Meeting Request**

Based on previous discussions with representatives from the Integrated Environmental Authorisation (IEA) Directorate of the DEA, venue availability at the DEA offices is a potential limitation. Therefore, it is recommended that the pre-application meeting be held via teleconference, in order to maximise efficiency and contribute to sustainability by reducing travel to Pretoria. If the pre-application meeting cannot take place via teleconference, it is recommended that the meeting take place at the CSIR Offices in Pretoria, to assist the DEA with regards to logistics. CSIR will provide the venue.

Please see attached the completed request for pre-application meeting form, and supporting documents, for your consideration.

We thank you for your kind assistance, and look forward to guidance from the DEA with regards to the above.

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Kind regards  
Paul

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