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External Environmental Compliance Audit Report of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), in accordance with Regulation 54(A) of the EIA Regulations (2017)

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## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

I, <u>Kritanya Naidoo</u>, declare that:

- » Lact as the independent environmental auditor for the environmental compliance audit (November 2019).
- » I have performed the work relating to the audit in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant.
- » I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work.
- » I have expertise in conducting independent environmental audits, including knowledge of NEMA, the 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326) and any guidelines that have relevance to the activity.
- » I have complied with NEMA, the 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326) and all other applicable legislation.
- » I have no, and have not engaged in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the audit.
- » I have undertaken to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing – any decision to be taken with respect to the project by the competent authority; and – the objectivity of any report, plan or document prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority.
- » All the particulars furnished by me in this report are true and correct.
- » I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of Regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.
- » I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the project other than remuneration for work performed.

Kritanya Naidoo (Auditor)

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December 2019

Date

Jo-Anne Thomas (Internal Reviewer, SACNASP Membership No: 400024/2000)

Signature

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Date

## **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

DEA	Department of Environmental Affairs (National)
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- DoE Department of Energy
- EA Environmental Authorisation
- EAP Environmental Assessment Practitioner
- ECO Environmental Control Officer
- EIA Environmental Impact Assessment
- EMPr Environmental Management Programme
- I&AP Interested and Affected Party
- IPP Independent Power Producer
- MW Megawatts

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Section 54(a)(3) of the EIA regulations (GNR 326, 7 April 2018) states:

(3) Where an environmental authorisation issued in terms of the ECA regulations or the previous NEMA regulations is still in effect by 8 December 2014, the EMPr associated with such environmental authorisation is subject to the requirements contained in Part 3 of Chapter 5 of these Regulations and the first environmental audit report must be submitted to the competent authority no later than 7 December 2019 and at least every 5 years thereafter for the period during which such environmental authorisation is still in effect.

In accordance with these regulations, Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Scatec Solar (Pty) Ltd to undertake an external environmental compliance audit and prepare an external environmental compliance of the EMPr for the project as per the regulations detailed above. The external environmental compliance audit was conducted to demonstrate Scatec Solar (Pty) Ltd's compliance with the EMPr applicable to the project.

#### 1.1. Project Background

The Zuurwater Photovoltaic Plant, Phase 2, is located on the remaining extent of portion three of the Farm Zuurwater No. 62, approximately 12km south-south-west of the town of Aggeneys (straight line distance), within the Namakwa District, Northern Cape Province. The generating capacity for this project is 75MW, and covers an area of 209ha.

The infrastructure associated with the project includes:

- » Arrays of either static or tracking photovoltaic (PV) panels.
- » Mounting structures to support the PV panels.
- » Cabling between the project components.
- » Power inverters between the PV arrays. The inverter and transformer are housed at the power conversion station (PCS).
- » Photovoltaic Combining Switchgear (PVCS).
- » Internal power collection system between the PVCS and the on-site substation.
- » A new on-site substation and power line to transmit the power from Phase 2 into the Eskom grid via the Aggeneis MTS Substation.
- » A new temporary on-site water reservoir and associated water supply pipeline (shared infrastructure between all phases). Three alternative locations and associated pipeline routes were identified for investigation.
- » Internal access roads.
- » Office, workshop area for maintenance and storage.
- » Temporary infrastructure including housing for workers, construction trailers, construction water storage ponds and a laydown area during the construction phase

The project was authorised on 10 July 2014 (DEA Ref No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471). The EA is currently valid until 27July 2024. Construction has not yet commenced for the Zuurwater MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase2) (refer

to **Appendix D** for a letter from the applicant confirming the project status). This external environmental compliance report was completed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 and focuses on the pre-construction conditions of the project EMPr dated November 2013.

## 2. OBJECTIVE OF THE AUDIT

The objective of this environmental audit as contained in Appendix 7 of the 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GNR 326) and Regulation 54(a) is to:

- » Report on:
  - \* The level of compliance with the conditions of the EMPr.
  - \* The extent to which the avoidance, management and mitigation measures provided for in the EMPr, achieve the objectives and outcomes of the EMPr.
- » Identify and assess any new impacts and risks as a result of undertaking the activity.
- » Evaluate the effectiveness of the EMPr.
- » Identify shortcomings in the EMPr.
- » Identify the need for any changes to the avoidance, management and mitigation measures provided for in the EMPr.

This Environmental Audit Report has been prepared in accordance with Appendix 7 of the 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326). An overview of the contents of the Environmental Compliance Audit Report, as prescribed by Appendix 7 of the 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326), and where the corresponding information can be found within the report is provided in **Table 1**.

## Table 1:Summary of where the requirements of Appendix 7 of the 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326) are<br/>provided in this Environmental Compliance Audit Report.

Requirement	Location in Report
<ul> <li>(a) Details of the –</li> <li>(i) Independent person who prepared the environmental audit report.</li> <li>(ii) Expertise of the independent person that compiled the environmental audit report.</li> </ul>	Refer to <b>Section 4</b> Refer to <b>Appendix A</b>
(b) A declaration that the independent auditor is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority.	Refer to <b>Declaration of Interest</b>
(c) An indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the environmental audit report was prepared.	Refer to Section 3
(d) A description of the methodology adopted in preparing the environmental audit report.	Refer to Section 6
<ul> <li>(e) An indication of the ability of the EMPr, and where applicable, the closure plan to -</li> <li>(i) Sufficiently provide for the avoidance, management and mitigation of environmental impacts associated with the undertaking of the activity on an on-going basis.</li> <li>(ii) Sufficiently provide for the avoidance, management and mitigation of environmental impacts associated with the closure of the facility.</li> <li>(iii) Ensure compliance with the provisions of environmental authorisation, EMPr, and where applicable, the closure plan.</li> </ul>	Refer to <b>Section 10</b>

Requirement	Location in Report
(f) A description of any assumptions made, and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge.	Refer to Section 5
(g) A description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the environmental audit report.	Refer to Section 6
(h) A summary and copies of any comments that were received during any consultation process.	Refer to Section 6
(i) Any other information requested by the competent authority.	N/A

## 3. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This Environmental Audit has been conducted to determine Scatec Solar (Pty) Ltd compliance with applicable environmental management requirements, as per the requirements of Section 54(A)(3) of the EIA Regulations, GNR 326 of 2017. The scope of the Environmental Audit is confined to an assessment of those environmental management requirements contained within the project EMPr.

## 4. OVERVIEW OF THE INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITORS

The Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) was initially authorised through Karen Jodas of Savannah Environmental as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner. This independent environmental compliance audit was undertaken by Kritanya Naidoo (refer to **Table 2**), and reviewed by Jo-Anne Thomas (refer to **Table 3**).

Table 2:	Details of the Independ	lent Environmental Auditors for this Section 54 audit report.
Name		Kritanya Naidoo
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Qualification:		BSS Honours Environmental Management
Professional R	egistration:	None
Experience:		1 year
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Position:		Project Manager and Director
Company:		Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd
Qualification:		M.Sc. Botany
Professional R	egistration:	Professional Natural Scientist (400166/11) (SACNASP)
Experience:		21 years
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Email:		joanne@savannahsa.com

A signed Declaration of Interest confirming the auditors' independence is included in this Environmental Audit Report. CVs of the Independent Environmental Auditor and Report Reviewer are attached as **Appendix A** to this report.

## 5. ASSUMPTIONS AND LIMITATIONS

The following limitations are applicable to this Environmental Audit Report:

The results of the Environmental Audit Report are limited due to the fact that the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) is currently not operational, and no construction activities have commenced to date (i.e. no authorised activities have commenced), and therefore all the conditions contained in the EMPr relating to any development phase of the facility are not currently applicable. Commenting on the compliance of the project is therefore limited.

## 6. APPROACH TO CONDUCTING THE AUDIT

#### 6.1. Pre-audit planning

Prior to undertaking the audit, the scope and objectives of the audit were determined through a review of relevant information applicable to the project.

Following the review of existing information, an audit checklist was prepared for use as a tool during the audit to identify any issues of non-compliance and / or areas where action plans may be required to be implemented to address any identified issues of concern.

The audit checklist was prepared based on the licensing and management specifications contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) (November 2013) (DEA Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471).

As the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) is currently not operational, and no construction activities have commenced to date (i.e. no authorised activities have commenced), all the conditions contained in the EMPr relating to commencement, construction, operation and decommissioning of the facility are not currently applicable. As such, these conditions have been omitted from the audit checklist and are not shown or reported on in this report. Should these activities commence in future, these conditions must be included into future audit checklists and reported on within the audit.

#### 6.2. Conducting the Audit

As no activities have commenced to date, a desktop audit was conducted of the relevant and applicable EMPr conditions only. This included a review of all information relating to the compliance of relevant EMPr pre-construction conditions.

#### 6.3. Post Audit

Following the audit, an Environmental Compliance Audit Report was compiled in accordance with the requirements of Appendix 7 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GNR326). A copy of this Audit Report was submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) in accordance with the requirements of Section 54(A)(3) prior to the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2019.

## 7. FINDINGS OF THE AUDIT

Compliance ratings were provided for each element of the audit checklist using the 4-point rating scale described below:

Compliance status	Rating	Description of compliance
Compliant	3	Compliant with no further action required to maintain compliance
Compliant	2	Compliant apart from minor or immaterial recommendations to improve the strength internal controls to maintain compliance
Compliant	1	Compliant with major or material recommendations to improve the strength of internal controls to maintain compliance
Non-Compliant	0	Does not meet minimum requirements

Table 4 provide details of the findings of the audit.

		and opportunities	Ensure the facility design responds to identified environmental constraints			Objective
Obtain any additional environmental permits required (e.g. water use license,	Undertake a geotechnical pre- construction survey.	Undertake a geotechnical pre- construction survey.	Appoint a specialist to undertake an archaeological walk-through survey for the PV facility and associated infrastructure.	Appoint a specialist to undertake an avifaunal walk through survey of the power line prior to construction	Appoint a specialist to undertake an ecological walk through survey prior to construction of the facility and the power line.	Addit Checklish of Compliance with the Conditions Contained in EMPT (Novertiber 2013) (DEA Reference N0, 14/12/16/3/3/2/4/1)         Mitigation: Action/control       Responsibility       Timeframe       Compliance       Audit Finding         Mitigation: Action/control       Responsibility       Timeframe       Compliance       Audit Finding         (0 - 3)       Imeframe       Imeframe       Imeframe       Imeframe       Rating
Developer	Geotechnical specialist	Geotechnical specialist	Developer	Developer	Developer	Responsibility
Design Stage	Design Stage	Design Stage	Design Stage	Design Stage	Design Stage	Timeframe
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Compliance Rating (0 - 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	O. 14/12/10/3/3/2/4/1) Audit Finding

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						Objective
Use bird-friendly power line towers and conductor designs.	Compile a comprehensive storm water management plan for the project. This must include appropriate means for the handling of storm water within the site, e.g. separate clean and dirty water streams around the plant, install stilling basins to capture large volumes of run-off, trapping sediments, and reduce flow velocities (i.e. water used when washing the panels).	External access point and internal access road to be carefully planned to maximise road user safety.	Consider and incorporate design level mitigation measures recommended by the specialists as detailed within the EIA Report and relevant appendices.	As far as possible, avoid identified sensitive areas within the site in the final design of the facility.	permit to impact on protected plant species,etc.).	Mitigation: Action/control
Developer	Developer	Developer	Engineering design consultant, solar component supplier and the Developer	Engineering design consultant and the Developer		Responsibility
Design	Design Stage	Design Stage	Design review	Design review		Timeframe
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Audit Finding

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N/A	Design review phase	Specialist Design phase	Undertake pre-construction surveys for protected flora within all areas to be	Ensure the selection of the best environmental option
	Design phase	Developer De	The facility should be designed in such a manner to allow surface and subsurface movement of water along drainage lines so as not to impede natural surface and subsurface flows. Drainage measures must promote the dissipation of storm water.	
	Design phase	Developer De	Consult a lighting engineer or other qualified personnel to assist in the planning and placement of light fixtures in order to reduce visual impacts associated with glare and light trespass.	
	Design phase	Developer De	Roads must be designed so that changes to surface water runoff are avoided or minimised and erosion is not initiated.	
	Design phase	Developer De	In designing the facility, use should be made of existing road infrastructure as far as practical. Where no road infrastructure exists, new roads should be placed within existing disturbed areas or management measures must be implemented to ensure minimum damage is caused to natural habitats.	
Compliance Rating (0 – 3)	limeframe	Responsibility Tim	Mitigation: Action/control	Objective

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		power line, pir development areas	Objective
		pipeline as and	
<ul> <li>Use design-level mitigation measures recommended in respect of habitat and ecosystem intactness and prevention of species loss as detailed within the EIA Report</li> <li>This includes positioning components of the development as close as practical together and in close proximity to other existing or planned developments in the area</li> <li>Strictly adhere to existing tracks/roads where drainage lines/ephemeral rivers need to be crossed to gain access to the site</li> <li>Sites for storing, mixing, and handling introduced materials, including all machinery, must be placed to avoid ecologically sensitive areas. Such sites must be clearly indicated in site plans and method statements and strictly adhered to.</li> <li>Sites for temporary storage of topsoil, if necessary, and estimated volumes of</li> </ul>	Obtain permits for protected plant removal and relocation prior to commencement of activity in an area		Mitigation: Action/control
Developer	Developer		Responsibility
Prior to submission of final construction layout plan	Pre-construction		Timeframe
Z	N/A		Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Audit Finding

	Minimise storm water runoff (guideline for stormwater management plan)					Objective
Appropriately plan hard-engineered bank erosion protection structures.	Reduce the potential increase in surface flow velocities and the resultant impact on the localised drainage system through increased sedimentation.	A Method Statement for the management of storm water which also considers the recommendations below is to be submitted to the ECO.	Compile a comprehensive storm water management and erosion control plan for hard surfaces as part of the final design of the project	Access roads and machinery turning points must be planned to minimise the impacted area, avoid the initiation of accelerated soil erosion and prevent unnecessary compaction and disturbance of topsoils, prevent obstruction or alteration of natural water flow	topsoils to be stored must be indicated in the layout plans	Mitigation: Action/control
Developer	Developer	Developer	Developer	Developer		Responsibility
Planning and design	Planning and design	Pre-construction	Design phase	Design phase		Timeframe
N/A	N/A	NYA	N/A	N/A		Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.		Audit Finding

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Search and Rescue of All Translocatable Indigenous Plants		Objective
Search and Rescue (S&R) of certain translocatable, selected succulents, shrubs and bulbs occurring in long term & permanent, hard surface development footprints (i.e. all buildings, new roads and tracks, laydown areas, and panel positions) should take place. All such development footprints must be surveyed and pegged out as soon as possible, and then a local horticulturist with Search and Rescue experience should be appointed to undertake the S&R. All rescued species should be bagged (and cuttings taken where appropriate) and kept in the horticulturist's or a designated on-site nursery, and should be returned to site once all construction is completed and rehabilitation of disturbed areas is	Ensure suitable handling of storm water within the site (i.e. separate clean and dirty water streams around the plant and install stilling basins to capture large volumes of run-off, trapping sediments and reduce flow velocities) through appropriate design of the facility. Design measures for storm water management need to allow for surface and subsurface movement of water along drainage lines so as not to impede natural surface and subsurface flows.	Mitigation: Action/control
ECO and horticultural Contractor	Developer	Responsibility
Prior to construction	Construction and operation Planning and design and	Timeframe
Z	N/A N/A	Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status. Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Audit Finding

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	To ensure e communication mechanisms				Objective
Liaison with landowners is to be undertaken prior to the commencement of construction in order to provide	Compile and implement a grievance mechanism procedure for the public (as outlined in Appendix A) to be implemented during both the construction and operational phases of the facility. This procedure should include details of the contact person who will be receiving issues raised by interested and affected parties, and the process that will be followed to address issues. This procedure should be in line with the South African Labour Law.	Rescue and replanting to be undertaken in accordance of relevant permits.	Plants that can be considered for rescue are all bulbs and succulents, and certain shrubs.	required. Replanting should only occur in spring or early summer (August to October), once the first rains have fallen, in order to facilitate establishment.	Mitigation: Action/control
Developer / Contractor	Developer	ECO and horticultural Contractor	ECO and horticultural P Contractor c		Responsibility
Pre-construction	Pre-construction (construction procedure) Pre-operation (operation procedure)	Prior to construction	Prior to construction		Timeframe
N/A	Z	N/A	N/A		Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Action/control measure is not applicable considering the status of the project. This measure will become applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.		Audit Finding

	Objective
sufficient time for them to plan agricultural activities.	Mitigation: Action/control
	Responsibility
	Timeframe
	Compliance Rating (0 – 3)
applicable once the project receives preferred bidder status.	Compliance Audit Finding Rating (0 – 3)

## 8. AUDIT RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 8.1. Overview of Audit Findings and Conclusion

Considering that the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) is currently not operational, and no construction activities have commenced to date (i.e. no authorised activities have commenced), all the conditions contained in the EMPr relating to any development phase of the facility are not currently applicable. It is therefore not possible to comment on the compliance with these specifications until such time that the facility receives preferred bidder status under the Department of Energy's REIPPP Programme (or an alternative Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) as may be relevant) which would enable the commencement of the development phases for the project.

Based on the fact that none of the conditions contained in the EMPr are currently applicable, it is not possible to calculate the overall compliance percentage of the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) (refer to **Table 5**). A rating of N/A (not applicable at this time) has been allocated.

Table 5:         Overview of the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) overall compliance.				
Compliance	Rating	Rating Description of compliance		<b>P</b> r
status			Results	%
Compliant	3	Compliant with no further action required to maintain compliance.	N/A	N/A
Compliant	2	Compliant apart from minor or immaterial recommendations to improve the strength internal controls to maintain compliance.	N/A	N/A
Compliant	1	Compliant with major or material recommendations to improve the strength of internal controls to maintain compliance.	N/A	N/A
Non-Complian	† 0	Does not meet minimum requirements.	N/A	N/A
TOTAL:			N/A	N/A

## 9. EVALUATION OF THE EMPR

As per Appendix 7 of the EIA Regulations, GNR 326 of 2017, an external audit report must include "an indication of the ability of the EMPr to:

- (i) sufficiently provide for the avoidance, management and mitigation of environmental impacts associated with the undertaking of the activity on an on going basis;
- (ii) Sufficiently provide for the avoidance, management and mitigation of environmental impacts associated with the closure of the facility; and
- (iii) Ensure compliance with the provisions of the EMPr;"

#### 9.1. Ongoing impact avoidance, management and mitigation

Based on the audit outcomes and results reported above, the auditor is satisfied that the EMPr is sufficient and able to provide for the avoidance, management and mitigation of the environmental impacts associated with the undertaking of the activity on an ongoing basis, and that no further amendment or alteration to the EMPr is required in order to maintain this reliability of the EMPr. However, in order to ensure that the planning and design of the facility addresses all environmental sensitives, it is recommended that the following conditions be included in the Design and Planning Phase EMPr:

- » Finalise all layout components and submit to the DEA for approval prior to commencement of construction;
- » Vegetation clearing should only commence after the walk-through has been conducted and necessary permits obtained.
- The EMPr should form part of the contract with the Contractors appointed to construct the PV facility and associated infrastructure, and must be used to ensure complaince with environmental specifications and management measures.

The above amendments should be undertaken when the project is a preffered bidder and submitted to the DEFF for approval as per the EA.

#### 9.2. Closure impact avoidance, management and mitigation

The facility has not started with any of the listed activities (i.e. no construction activities has commenced) and will therefore not be decommissioned or closed in the foreseeable future, and therefore no decommissioning activities are applicable to this audit. The current EMPr is not considered sufficient to address the decommissioning phase of the project. An EMPr for decommissioning would need to be developed at the stage in the project life-cycle when this is applicable.

#### 9.3. Ensuring compliance with provisions of the EMPr

Based on the audit outcomes and results reported above, the auditor is satisfied that the EMPr is sufficient and able to ensure compliance with the provisions of the environmental authorisation and EMPr, and that no further amendment or alteration to the EMPr is required in order to maintain this reliability of the EMPr at this stage. However, a decommissioning EMPr will be required to be compiled at the time when this activity becomes applicable.

No additional impacts or risks have been identified to be associated with the undertaking of the proposed activities based on the desk-top audit.

Considering that the Zuurwater 75 MW Photovoltaic Plant (Phase 2) is currently not operational, and no construction activities have commenced to date (i.e. no authorised activities have commenced), all the conditions contained in the EMPr relating to any development phase of the facility are not currently applicable. It is therefore not possible to audit and report on the compliance with these specifications until such time that the facility receives preferred bidder status under the Department of Energy's REIPPP Programme (or an alternative Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) as may be relevant) which would enable the commencement of the development phases for the project.

## **10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

No non-compliances were recorded as part of the independent external environmental compliance audit of the project EMPr. As a result, no recommendations are considered applicable.

It is the opinion of the independent auditor that the project EMPr (November 2013), and its supporting documentation sufficiently provides for the avoidance, management and mitigation of environmental impacts associated with the project (DEA Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471) and amendments thereto. Recommendations are however made for the amendment of the EMPr to include additional conditions in the planning and design phase to ensure impacts are minimised, but these amendments can be undertaken when the project is a preferred bidder. The current EMPr is however not considered sufficient to address the decommisoning phase of the project. An EMPr for decommissioning would need to be developed at the stage in the project life-cycle when this is applicable

## 11. STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

#### 11.1. Notification of all potential and registered interested and affected parties

In accordance with the requirements of Section 34(6) of the EIA Regulations (GNR 326 of 2017), the following consultation must form part of the audit report submission:

- » Within 7 days of the date of submission of an environmental audit report to the competent authority, the holder of an environmental authorisation must notify all potential and registered interested and affected parties of the submission of that report, and make such report immediately available
  - \* (a) to anyone on request; and
  - \* (b) on a publicly accessible website, where the holder has such a website.

In order to be remain compliant with these requirements, all potential and registered interested and affected parties have been notified of the submission of the external compliance audit report by:

- The placement of an advertisement with a local newspaper, the Gemsbok, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 and (Appendix B)
- » Notification of all registered I&APs via email on 6 December 2019 (refer to Appendix C); and
- » Uploading the audit report onto the Savannah Environmental website (www.savannahsa.com) for download upon request.

APPENDIX A:

**CVS OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR/S AND REPORT REVIEWER** 



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### CURRICULUM VITAE OF KRITANYA NAIDOO

Profession:Environmental Compliance ConsultantSpecialisation:Environmental, Health and Safety compliance audits. ISO management system audits,<br/>implementation and monitoring, Compilation of monthly SHEQ reports for projects in the<br/>infrastructure and service provider sectors.Work Experience:4 years' experience in the SHEQ field.

#### **VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Kritanya hold a Master's degree in Population Studies and 4 years SHEQ experience in conducting Environmental Compliance Audits, Environmental, Quality and Health and Safety Management System Audits, implementation and maintenance of ISO 14001: 2015 and ISO 9001:2015 systems.

#### SKILLS BASE AND CORE COMPETENCIES

- Report writing
- Environmental Compliance and System Audits
- Understanding the implementation of NEMA and NEMWA
- Maintaining and implementation of ISO 14001 and ISO 9001 and OHSAS standards

#### EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS

#### Degrees:

- M. (Masters) Population Studies (2013), University of KwaZulu-Natal, KZN
- B.SS. (Hons.) Geography and Environmental Management (2011), University of KwaZulu-Natal, KZN
- B.SS. Geography and Environmental Management (2010), University of KwaZulu-Natal, KZN

#### Courses:

- First aider (2015)
- SHE Representative Course (2015)
- ISO 9001:2015 Internal Auditor Training (2016)
- ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System Training (2017)

#### EMPLOYMENT

Date	Company	Roles and Responsibilities
March 2019 - Current	Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd	Environmental Compliance Consultant
		Tasks include: Scheduled and Ad-hoc ECO audits and
		checklists. Statutory audits and audits against
		permits/licences in accordance with legislative
		requirements. Management system audits checklists &
		report writing. Environmental Management Programme
		Revisions. Environmental Authorisation amendments.
		Review and comment on monthly ECO reports. Review
		of permits and licences. Assist with identifying new
		opportunities
October 2017-August	Stefanutti Stocks, KZN Building	Environmental and Quality Officer
2018	Division	Tasks included: Conduct Environmental Compliance
		and System Audits. Monitor/Review all environmental
		statistics. Implement and maintain the Quality
		Management Systems (QMS). Conduct QMS audits.
		Write monthly reports on the status of the Quality and
		Environmental Systems. SHEQ document controller.
		Involvement in the development and implementation
		of the Quality Electronic System (Plumbum).
September 2016-	3 Energy Renewables	Environmental Officer
September 2017		Tasks included: Carry out Environmental and Social
		Audits based on the Environmental Authorisation,
		Environmental Management Plan, Environmental
		Aspects and Social Concerns at varies Renewable
		Energy Power Plants. Assist in conducting internal
		Health and Safety inspections and audits at various
		Renewable Energy Power Plants. Assist with HSE
		incidents at the Renewable Energy Power Plants.
		Develop and implement ISO 9001:2015, Quality
		Management System (QMS).Conduct QMS internal
		audits, document control and corrective action.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

#### **Renewable Power Generation Projects: Wind Energy Facilities**

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Amakhala Emoyeni WEF, Eastern Cape	Cennergi	Environmental Officer
Tsitsikamma WEF, Eastern Cape	Cennergi	Environmental Officer
Koega WEF, Eastern Cape	Koega Wind Power	Environmental Officer
Metrowind Van Staadens WEF Eastern Cape	Rubicept	Environmental Officer
Roggeveld WEF, Northern and Western Cape	Building Energy	ECO

## Infrastructure Development Projects (bridges, pipelines, roads, waste etc)

#### **Basic Assessments**

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Nigel Gas Pipeline and associated infrastructure,	Energy Group	Compliance Consultant
Gauteng Province		



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#### CURRICULUM VITAE OF JO-ANNE THOMAS

Profession:	Environmental Management and Compliance Consultant; Environmental Assessment
	Practitioner
Specialisation:	Environmental Management; Strategic environmental advice; Environmental compliance
	advice & monitoring; Environmental Impact Assessments; Policy, strategy & guideline
	formulation; Project Management; General Ecology
Work experience:	Twenty one (21) years in the environmental field

#### **VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Provide technical input for projects in the environmental management field, specialising in Strategic Environmental Advice, Environmental Impact Assessment studies, environmental auditing and monitoring, environmental permitting, public participation, Environmental Management Plans and Programmes, environmental policy, strategy and guideline formulation, and integrated environmental management. Key focus on integration of the specialist environmental studies and findings into larger engineering-based projects, strategic assessment, and providing practical and achievable environmental management solutions and mitigation measures. Responsibilities for environmental studies include project management (including client and authority liaison and management of specialist teams); review and manipulation of data; identification and assessment of potential negative environmental impacts and benefits; review of specialist studies; and the identification of mitigation measures. Compilation of the reports for environmental studies is in accordance with all relevant environmental legislation.

Undertaking of numerous environmental management studies has resulted in a good working knowledge of environmental legislation and policy requirements. Recent projects have been undertaken for both the public- and private-sector, including compliance advice and monitoring, electricity generation and transmission projects, various types of linear developments (such as National Road, local roads and power lines), waste management projects (landfills), mining rights and permits, policy, strategy and guideline development, as well as general environmental planning, development and management.

#### SKILLS BASE AND CORE COMPETENCIES

- Project management for a range of projects
- Identification and assessment of potential negative environmental impacts and benefits through the review and manipulation of data and specialist studies
- Identification of practical and achievable mitigation and management measures and the development of appropriate management plans
- Compilation of environmental reports in accordance with relevant environmental legislative requirements
- External and peer review of environmental reports & compliance advice and monitoring
- Formulation of environmental policies, strategies and guidelines
- Strategic and regional assessments; pre-feasibility & site selection
- Public participation processes for a variety of projects
- Strategic environmental advice to a wide variety of clients both in the public and private sectors
- Working knowledge of environmental planning processes, policies, regulatory frameworks and legislation

#### EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS

#### Degrees:

- B.Sc Earth Sciences, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg (1993)
- B.Sc Honours in Botany, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg (1994)
- M.Sc in Botany, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg (1996)

#### Short Courses:

- Environmental Impact Assessment, Potchefstroom University (1998)
- Environmental Law, Morgan University (2001)
- Environmental Legislation, IMBEWU (2017)
- Mining Legislation, Cameron Cross & Associates (2013)
- Environmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM), International Finance Corporation (2018)

#### Professional Society Affiliations:

- Registered with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions as a Professional Natural Scientist: Environmental Scientist (400024/00)
- Registered with the International Associated for Impact Assessment South Africa (IAIAsa): 5601
- Member of the South African Wind Energy Association (SAWEA)

#### EMPLOYMENT

Date	Company	Roles and Responsibilities
2006 - Current	Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd	Director Project manager Independent specialist environmental consultant, Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) and advisor.
1997 – 2005	Bohlweki Environmental (Pty) Ltd	Senior Environmental Scientist at. Environmental Management and Project Management
January – July 1997	Sutherland High School, Pretoria	Junior Science Teacher

#### **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

Project experience includes large infrastructure projects, providing technical input for projects in the environmental management field, specialising in Strategic Environmental Advice, Environmental Impact Assessment studies, environmental permitting, Public Participation, Environmental Management Plans (EMPs) and Programmes (EMPrs), environmental policy, strategy and guideline formulation, and integrated environmental management; with a key focus on strategic assessment, and providing practical and achievable environmental management solutions and mitigation measures.

#### RENEWABLE POWER GENERATION PROJECTS: PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ENERGY FACILITIES

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO and bi-monthly auditing for the construction of	Enel Green Power	Project Manager
the Adams Solar PV Project Two South of Hotazel,		
Northern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Kathu PV Facility,	REISA	Project Manager
Northern Cape		
ECO and bi-monthly auditing for the construction of	Enel Green Power	Project Manager
the Pulida PV Facility, Free State		P

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the RustMo1 SEF, North	Momentous Energy	Project Manager
West		
ECO for the construction of the Sishen SEF, Northern	Windfall 59 Properties	Project Manager
Саре		
ECO for the construction of the Upington Airport PV	Sublanary Trading	Project Manager
Facility, Northern Cape		
Quarterly compliance monitoring of compliance	REISA	Project Manager
with all environmental licenses for the operation		
activities at the Kathu PV facility, Northern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Konkoonsies II PV SEF	BioTherm Energy	Project Manager
and associated infrastructure, Northern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Aggeneys PV SEF	BioTherm Energy	Project Manager
and associated infrastructure, Northern Cape		

#### Compliance Advice and ESAP Reporting

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Aggeneys Solar Farm, Northern Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Airies II PV Facility SW of Kenhardt, Northern Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Kalahari SEF Phase II in Kathu, Northern Cape	Engie	Environmental Advisor
Kathu PV Facility, Northern Cape	Building Energy	Environmental Advisor
Kenhardt PV Facility, Northern Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Kleinbegin PV SEF West of Groblershoop, Northern	MedEnergy	Environmental Advisor
Саре		
Konkoonises II SEF near Pofadder, Northern Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Konkoonsies Solar Farm, Northern Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Lephalale SEF, Limpopo	Exxaro	Environmental Advisor
Pixley ka Seme PV Park, South-East of De Aar,	African Clean Energy	Environmental Advisor
Northern Cape	Developments (ACED)	
RustMo1 PV Plant near Buffelspoort, North West	Momentous Energy	Environmental Advisor
Scuitdrift 1 SEF & Scuitdrift 2 SEF, Limpopo	Building Energy	Environmental Advisor
Sirius PV Plants, Northern Cape	Aurora Power Solutions	Environmental Advisor
Upington Airport PV Power Project, Northern Cape	Sublunary Trading	Environmental Advisor
Upington SEF, Northern Cape	Abengoa Solar	Environmental Advisor
Ofir-ZX PV SEF near Keimoes, Northern Cape	Networx \$28 Energy	Environmental Advisor

#### Due Diligence Reporting

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
5 PV SEF projects in Lephalale, Limpopo	iNca Energy	Environmental Advisor
Prieska PV Plant, Northern Cape	SunEdison Energy India	Environmental Advisor
Sirius Phase One PV Facility near Upington, Northern	Aurora Power Solutions	Environmental Advisor
Саре		

#### RENEWABLE POWER GENERATION PROJECTS: CONCENTRATED SOLAR FACILITIES (CSP)

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the !Khi CSP Facility,	Abengoa Solar	Project Manager
Northern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Ilanga CSP 1 Facility	Karoshoek Solar One	Project Manager
near Upington, Northern Cape		

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the folar Park, Northern	Kathu Solar	Project Manager
Cape		
ECO for the construction of the KaXu! CSP Facility,	Abengoa Solar	Project Manager
Northern Cape		
Internal audit of compliance with the conditions of	Karoshoek Solar One	Project Manager
the IWUL issued to the Karoshoek Solar One CSP		
Facility, Northern Cape		

#### Compliance Advice and ESAP reporting

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
llanga CSP Facility near Upington, Northern Cape	llangethu Energy	Environmental Advisor
llangalethu CSP 2, Northern Cape	FG Emvelo	Environmental Advisor
Kathu CSP Facility, Northern Cape	GDF Suez	Environmental Advisor
Lephalale SEF, Limpopo	Cennergi	Environmental Advisor
Solis I CSP Facility, Northern Cape	Brightsource	Environmental Advisor

#### RENEWABLE POWER GENERATION PROJECTS: WIND ENERGY FACILITIES

#### Environmental Compliance, Auditing and ECO

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the West Coast One	Aurora Wind Power	Project Manager
WEF, Western Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Gouda WEF,	Blue Falcon	Project Manager
Western Cape		
EO for the Dassiesklip Wind Energy Facility, Western	Group 5	Project Manager
Саре		
Quarterly compliance monitoring of compliance	Blue Falcon	Project Manager
with all environmental licenses for the operation		
activities at the Gouda Wind Energy facility near		
Gouda, Western Cape		
Annual auditing of compliance with all	Aurora Wind Power	Project Manager
environmental licenses for the operation activities at		
the West Coast One Wind Energy facility near		
Vredenburg, Western Cape		
External environmental and social audit for the	Cennergi	Project Manager
Amakhala Wind Farm, Eastern Cape		
External environmental and social audit for the	Cennergi	Project Manager
Tsitsikamma Wind Farm, Eastern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Excelsior Wind Farm	BioTherm Energy	Project Manager
and associated infrastructure, Northern Cape		
External compliance audit of the Dassiesklip Wind	BioTherm Energy	Project Manager
Energy Facility, Western Cape		

#### **Compliance Advice**

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Amakhala Phase 1 WEF, Eastern Cape	Cennergi	Environmental Advisor
Dassiesfontein WEF within the Overberg area,	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor
Western Cape		
Excelsior Wind Farm, Western Cape	BioTherm Energy	Environmental Advisor

Great Karoo Wind Farm, Northern Cape	African Clean Energy	Environmental Advisor
	Developments (ACED)	
Hopefield Community WEF, Western Cape	African Clean Energy	Environmental Advisor
	Developments (ACED)	
Rheboksfontein WEF, Western Cape	Moyeng Energy	Environmental Advisor
Tiqua WEF, Western Cape	Cennergi	Environmental Advisor
Tsitsikamma WEF, Eastern Cape	Cennergi	Environmental Advisor
West Coast One WEF, Western Cape	Moyeng Energy	Environmental Advisor

#### **Due Diligence Reporting**

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Witteberg WEF, Western Cape	EDPR Renewables	Environmental Advisor
IPD Vredenburg WEF within the Saldanha Bay area,	IL&FS Energy Development	Environmental Advisor
Western Cape	Company	

#### **CONVENTIONAL POWER GENERATION PROJECTS (COAL)**

#### Environmental Compliance, Auditing and ECO

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the Camden Power Station, Mpumalanga	Eskom Holdings	Project Manager

#### **Compliance Advice**

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Thabametsi IPP Coal-fired Power Station, near	Axia	Environmental Advisor
Lephalale, Limpopo		

#### **GRID INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

#### Environmental Compliance, Auditing and ECO

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the Ferrum-Mookodi	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
Transmission Line, Northern Cape and North West	of Eskom	
EO for the construction of the Gamma-Kappa	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
Section A Transmission Line, Western Cape	of Eskom	
EO for the construction of the Gamma-Kappa	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
Section B Transmission Line, Western Cape	of Eskom	
EO for the construction of the Hydra IPP Integration	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
project, Northern Cape	of Eskom	
EO for the construction of the Kappa-Sterrekus	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
Section C Transmission Line, Western Cape	of Eskom	
EO for the construction of the Namaqualand	Trans-Africa Projects on behalf	Project Manager
Strengthening project in Port Nolloth, Western Cape	of Eskom	
ECO for the construction of the Neptune Substation	Eskom	Project Manager
Soil Erosion Mitigation Project, Eastern Cape		
ECO for the construction of the Ilanga-Gordonia	Karoshoek Solar One	Project Manager
132kV power line, Northern Cape		

MINING SECTOR PROJECTS

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO for the construction of the Duhva Mine Water	Eskom Holdings SoC Limited	Project Manager
Recovery Project, Mpumalanga		
External compliance audit of Palesa Coal Mine's	HCI Coal	Project Manager
Integrated Water Use License (IWUL), near		
KwaMhlanga, Mpumalanga		
External compliance audit of Palesa Coal Mine's	HCI Coal	Project Manager
Waste Management License (WML) and EMP, near		
KwaMhlanga, Mpumalanga		
External compliance audit of Mbali Coal Mine's	HCI Coal	Project Manager
Integrated Water Use License (IWUL), near Ogies,		
Mpumalanga		
Independent External Compliance Audit of Water	Tronox Namakwa Sands	Project Manager
Use License (WUL) for the Tronox Namakwa Sands		
(TNS) Mining Operations (Brand se Baai), Western		
Саре		
Independent External Compliance Audit of Water	Tronox Namakwa Sands	Project Manager
Use License (WUL) for the Tronox Namakwa Sands		
(TNS) Mineral Separation Plant (MSP), Western Cape		
Independent External Compliance Audit of Water	Tronox Namakwa Sands	Project Manager
Use License (WUL) for the Tronox Namakwa Sands		
(TNS) Smelter Operations (Saldanha), Western Cape		
Compliance Auditing of the Waste Management	PetroSA	Project Manager
Licence for the PetroSA Landfill Site at the GTL		
Refinery, Western Cape		

### INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (BRIDGES, PIPELINES, ROADS, WATER RESOURCES, STORAGE, ETC)

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
ECO and bi-monthly auditing for the construction of	of Department of Water and Project Manager	
the Olifants River Water Resources Development	ants River Water Resources Development Sanitation Aud	
Project (ORWRDP) Phase 2A: De Hoop Dam, R555		
realignment and housing infrastructure		
ECO for the Rehabilitation of the Blaaupan & Storm	Airports Company of South	Project Manager
Water Channel, Gauteng	Gauteng Africa (ACSA)	
Due Diligence reporting for the Better Fuel Pyrolysis	Better Fuels	Project Manager
Facility, Gauteng		
ECO for the Construction of the Water Pipeline from	Transnet	Project Manager
Kendal Power Station to Kendal Pump Station,		
Mpumalanga		
ECO for the Replacement of Low-Level Bridge,	South African National	Project Manager
Demolition and Removal of Artificial Pong, and	Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)	
Reinforcement the Banks of the Crocodile River at		
the Construction at Walter Sisulu National Botanical		
Gardens, Gauteng Province		
External Compliance Audit of the Air Emission	PetroSA	Project Manager
Licence (AEL) for a depot in Bloemfontein, Free		
State Province and in Tzaneen, Mpumalanga		
Province		

#### HOUSING AND URBAN PROJECTS

#### Compliance Advice and reporting

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Kampi ya Thude at the Olifants West Game Reserve,	Nick Elliot	Environmental Advisor
Limpopo		
External Compliance Audit of WUL for the	Johannesburg Country Club	Project Manager
Johannesburg Country Club, Gauteng		

Project Name & Location	Client Name	Role
Due Diligence Audit for the Due Diligence Audit	Delta BEC (on behalf of	Project Manager
Report, Gauteng	Johannesburg Development	
	Agency (JDA))	

APPENDIX B: ADVERTISEMENT OF SUBMISSION OF THE AUDIT REPORT

## NOTICE OF EXTERNAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT (SECTION 54) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: PV FACILITIES ON THE FARM ZUURWATER NO.62 NEAR AGGENEYS, NORTHEN CAPE PROVINCE

#### Activity:

Development of PV Facilities and associated infrastructure located at the farm Zuurwater which is located within the Khai-Ma Local Municipality in the Namakwa District Municipality in the Northern Cape. The development consists of seven (7) projects including:

- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62 , near Aggeneys (Phase 1)- DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/470
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62 , near Aggeneys (Phase 2) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 3) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/472
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 4) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/473
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Unit 4) DEA Ref.:12/12/20/2334/4
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62 , near Aggeneys (Unit 5) DEA Ref.: 12/12/20/2334/5
- » Powerline from Aggeneys Solar One Energy Facility to the Aggeneis MTS Substation on Remaining extent of Portion 3 of the Farm Zuurwater 62 – DEA Ref.:14/12/16/3/3/1/1270

No activities related to the Zuurwater PV Facilities have commenced to date.

The property affected by the proposed PV facilities is the Farm Zuurwater No.62, within the Namakwa District Municipality.

**External Compliance Audit:** In terms of Section 54(A)(3) of the EIA Regulations 2014 of GNR 326, Independent External Compliance Audits ("S54 Audit") are required to verify compliance towards the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPr) for the projects. This advertisement hereby notifies all potential and registered interested and affected parties, including organs of state with applicable jurisdiction as well as the competent authority, of the submission of the external compliance audit report to the competent authority prior to 07 December 2019. The reports are available for download at <a href="https://www.savannahsa.com/">https://www.savannahsa.com/</a>

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## Keep our children safe this festive season,

road trips to visit friends and family. It is a time for relaxation, on the beach, around the pool and around the braai. Tragically, for many families, the summer of fun can become a



GEMSBOK-UPINGTON: As the long summer holidays draw near, millions of people across the country will be planning long

#### **APD UPINGTON MAATSKAPLIKE WERKER**

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parents and care-givers to be the adult this sea-son, and to prioritise the safety of children under their care. In par under their care. In particular, says Yolande Baker, Childsafe Executive Director, adults

Children's safety ad-

vocacy organisation, ChildSafe, is calling on

need to be especially vigilant when driving or near water. "Drowning can hapnear water.

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- PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62 , near Aggeneys (Phase 3) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/472
- DPV Plant on the form Zurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 4) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/2/2/473 PV Plant on the farm Zurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Unit 4) DEA Ref.:12/12/20/2334/4

- UEA Ker.:12/12/20/2334/4 PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Unit 5) DEA Ref:.12/12/02/234/5 Powerline from Aggeneys Solar One Energy Facility to the Aggeneys MTS Substation on Remaining extent of Portion 3 of the Farm Zuurwater 62 DEA Ref.:14/12/16/3/3/1/1270

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#### NOTICE OF EXTERNAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT (SECTION 54) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: SOLARRESERVE KOTULO SATSI CONCENTRATED SOLAR POWER FACILITIES 1, 2 AND 3 AN PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER PLANT 2, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE TS/ ND

#### Activity:

Activity: Development of the SolarReserve Kotulo Tsatsi Concentrated Solar Power (CSP) Facilities 1, 2 and 3 and Photovoltaic (PV) Power Plant 2 approximately 70km soutt west of Kenhardt within the Hantam Local Municipality of the Namakwa District Munici pality and the Kai ISarib Local Municipality of the ZF Mgcawu District Municipality. The four projects are known as:

- The 200MW SolarReserve Kotulo Tsatsi Concentrated Solar Power Facility 1 (CSP 1) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/694/1 The 200MW SolarReserve Kotulo Tsatsi Concentrated Solar Power Facility 2 (CSP 2) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2049/2 The 200MW Kotulo Tsatsi (Pty) Ltd CSP facility (CSP3) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/20694 The Kotulo Tsatsi Photovoltaic Power Plant 2 (PV 2) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/69

- No activities related to the four projects have commenced to date

Properties affected by the four projects include

- Portion 1, 2 and 3 of the Farm Styns Vley 280;

- Portion 1, 2 and 3 of the Farm Styns Viey 280; Portion 2 of the Farm Kopies Viey 281; Portion 1 of the Farm Meikbosch Viey 278; Portion 1 and the Remainder of the Farm Manier Tyds Kolkies; Portion 2 of the Farm Karree Boom Kolk 248; Portion 1 and Portion 2 of the Farm Voren Toe Zyn Kolk 277; Portion 1, 2 and 4 of the Farm Klein Zwart Bast 188; and Portion 14 and 15 of the Farm Olyven Kolk 187.

External Compliance Audit: In terms of Section 54(A)(3) of the EIA Regulations 2014 of GNR 326, Independent External Compliance Audits ("S54 Audit") are required to verify compliance towards the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPr) for the projects. This advertisement hereby notifies all potential and registered interested and affected parties, including organs of state with applicable jurisdiction as well as the competent authority. These reports are available at <u>https://www.savannahsa.com/</u> <u>public-documents/other/</u> for 14 days from date of publication of this notice.

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says ChildSafe The Red Cross War

circumstances where the most observant adults are present," says Baker. "It's a silent killer. A child can slip under the water without a splash and in seconds, before anyone realises what has happened, it's too late," she says.

According to a study by Dr Colleen Saunders (research manager in UCT's Division of Emergency Medicine) and others, it was found that drowning was the leading cause of death of children and young people worldwide. In the Western Cape alone, drowning mortality

rates for children were reported at 3.8 per 100 000 children. This figure increases to 4.8 per 100 000

in children aged 4 and younger. Most (78%) drownings mainly happen in large bodies of open water, such as the sea or in dams, with many incidents happening over the summer time (42%) and on public holidays (8%).

Poor supervision, risky behaviour in adults and external environmental factors, such as unpredictable sea currents, unsupervised swim-ming pools and open buckets were primarily responsible for the deaths.

Adult behaviour is a significant factor in road traffic fatalities and injuries, too, says Baker.

Every year, 13 000 people do not arrive at their holiday destinations because they are killed in road traffic crashes. Another 265 000 people are injured. Many of those who die and are injured are children.

Memorial Children's Hospital alone treats around 1 000 children who have been involved in road traffic crashes Most are admitted with head injuries, or inju-ries to their arms and legs, which often have life-changing personal, economic, health and social consequences. "The good news is

that every parent, care-giver and driver has it in their power to pre-vent children from being injured in motor vehicle crashes," says Baker. A 2018 study conducted by Childsafe and UNICEF, identified the two major reasons for vehicle crashes: speed and inadequate restrains in cars.

South African road traffic law stipulates that every child under

the age of three must be restrained in an ageappropriate child restraint. At the very minimum, children must be restrained by a seatbelt. Holding the child is unsafe. In a crash, the child can be ejected on impact or crushed to death under the adult's weight," says Baker. If they are strapped into a restraint designed for their age, children

Into a restraint designed for their age, children have up to 80% chance of surviving a crash. Speed is another culprit, she explains, espe-cially in places where children congregate in residential areas and around schools. "The speed limit of 60km/hour is still too high. All evidence indicates that if a child is hit at 30km/hour, they have a 90% chance of surviving the crash. The probability that they will dia increase with avery probability that they will die increases with every kilometre faster the car is moving."

By making the correct choices to slow down and install suitable car restraints, the chances that children will survive those incidents are vastly improved, ensuring that summer holidays bring only happy memories.3

Visit the ChildSafe website www.childsafe.org. za for a full range of safety tips to guide you in the home, in water, when playing with toys, choking, in the car and even at the playground and what to do in an emergency for any of the above.

maintained at the correct inflation as prescribed by your vehicle manufacturer, as this is the easiest way to extend tyre life and ensure that

your car handles properly on the road. Under- or over-inflation of tyres can cause damage to the tyre, reduce their lifespan or could result in an

Around once a month, turn the steering to the far right to get a full view of the front tyres and

inspect the tread. Look out for uneven tread wear and inspect the tyre tread depth. Then check the

rear tyres as well. Tyre manufacturers include a tread wear indicator (TWI) within the tyre tread.

This indicator looks like a small square in the groove of the tyre. As an international standard the TWI is set at 1.6mm and when the rest of the

tyre tread is level with this indicator, or below, your tyres are no longer legal and need to be

2.Inspect the tread and tyre regularly

cident.

#### Three simple checks Tips for staying safe on the road: Maintain pressure Check your tyre pressure at least once per month at the filling station. On the inside panel of the driver's door, in the fuel cap or the ve-hicle owner's manual, you will find a sticker that details the correct tyre pressure for your vehicle's tyres. Always ensure that your tyres are

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to accidents on our roads and acknowledged the estimated R147 million per year that roadway accidents cost the country. He went on to stress that "Tyre maintenance is a vital part of keeping a vehicle roadworthy," says CEO of Sumitomo South Africa, Riaz Haffejee. "It is our mission to help road users identify safe tyres on their personal vehicle – or on a public transport vehicle that they are about to climb into. Unsafe 2nd hand tyres are also a major threat to road safety and consumers need to be aware of the risks."



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ing, get them checked straight away. Ask the tyre expert to give your tyres a thorough once over to ensure that they are safe for use on the road. Doing these three simple checks, will give longevity to your tyre, reduce the likelihood of failures due to damage and will ensure your vehicle performs as it should on the road. Your first choice should always be to

3.Rotate regularly

The general rule for

tyre rotation is every

8000 - 10000km but

diarise to have your

tyres rotated and bal-anced by a reputable

fitment centre once

every six or seven months. If you see un-

even tyre wear or feel a "shudder" when driv-

replace a worn or damaged tyre with a new tyre. For more informa-

tion, please visit https://www.dunloptyres. o.za/Partwornguidelines

to save you money on your tyres

all road users, says President Cyril Ramaphosa. "Safer roads begin with checking our vehicles and keeping them off the road if they are not roadworthy," he said in a recent speech address

ing various stakeholders and the public. The South African President mourned the loss of over 14000 lives due roads will not become safer unless we, as road users, change our attitudes.

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APPENDIX C: NOTIFICATION TO REGISTERED I&APS OF SUBMISSION OF THE AUDIT REPORT



Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd | Directors: KM Jodas, J Thomas, M Matsabu Company Reg No.: 2006/000127/07 VAT Reg No.: 4780226736

06 December 2019

Dear Registered Interested and Affected Party,

## NOTICE OF AN EXTERNAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT (SECTION 54A) AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: PV FACILITIES AND POWER LINE ON THE FARM ZUURWATER, NEAR AGGENEYS, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

#### Notification of Submission of Section 54(A)(3) Audit Reports to the Competent Authority

As a registered Interested and Affected Party for the development of PV facilities, please be advised that in terms of Section 54(a)(3) of the EIA regulations (GNR 326, 7 April 2018), Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd has undertaken an external environmental compliance audit and prepare an external environmental compliance audit report assessing Zuurwater's (Phase 1, Phase 2, Phase 3, Phase 4, Phase 5, Unit 4, Unit 5 and Power Line) compliance with the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) applicable to the project.

Development of PV Facilities and associated infrastructure located at the farm Zuurwater which is located within the Khai-Ma Local Municipality in the Namakwa District Municipality in the Northern Cape has reference.

The PV Facilities and associated infrastructure consists of seven (7) authorised projects including:

- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 1) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/470
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 2) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 3) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/472
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Phase 4) DEA Ref.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/473
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Unit 4) DEA Ref.: 12/12/20/2334/4
- » PV Plant on the farm Zuurwater No.62, near Aggeneys (Unit 5) DEA Ref.: 12/12/20/2334/5;
- » Power Line from Aggeneys Solar One Energy Facility to the Aggeneis MTS Substation on Remaining extent of Portion 3 of the Farm Zuurwater 62 – DEA Ref.:14/12/16/3/3/1/1270

No activities related to the Zuurwater PV Facilities or associated infrastructure has commenced to date.

The property affected by the proposed PV facilities is the Farm Zuurwater No.62, within the Namakwa District Municipality.

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Kind regards

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APPENDIX D: CONFIRMATION LETTER ON CURRENT STATUS OF THE PROJECT



22 November, 2019

To whom it may concern,

Dear Sir/Madam

#### RE: CONFIRMATION OF NO COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471)

This letter serves to confirm that no construction has commenced on Environmental Authorisation (DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/471), and that there is currently no activity on the site.

As such, I Jan Fourie, being the duly authorised representative acting on behalf Scatec Solar, and duly authorised representative of Scatec Solar, hereby declare that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

Should you require any further details or information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Name / Jan Fourie Designation : General Manager & VP Project Development Who warrants that he is duly authorised.