



## **COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT (CRR)**

DEVELOPMENT: CONSTRUCTION OF THE RICHTERSVELD WIND FARM AND BESS

DFFE REF: 12/12/20/1967/AM5

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### **1 PROJECT OVERVIEW**

#### 1.1 Introduction

Richtersveld Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter "the applicant") appointed HCV Africa to prepare a Part 2 Amendment Application in terms of Regulation 31 of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), as amended. The applicant holds an existing Environmental Authorization (EA) (DEAT/EIA/12668/2011, including subsequent amendments thereto).

Reference Number of EA:	DEAT/EIA/12668/2011
Date EA issued:	28/05/2012
Reference Number of all amendments authorized, including the dates of approval:	DEA Reference: 12/12/20/1967 (11/09/2012) DEA Reference: 12/12/20/1967 (14/06/2013) DEA Reference: 12/12/20/1967/AM1 (30/09/2015) DEA Reference: 12/12/20/1967/AM3 (23/06/2017) DFFE Reference: 12/12/20/1967/AM4 (15/03/2022)

Proposed changes to the project description (both layout and technical design) by the Proponent necessitates the need to amend its existing EA as required in terms of NEMA. The Minister of the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) is the Competent Authority (CA) as contemplated in Section 24C(2)(a)(i) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended by section 4 of the National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Act, 2022 (Act No. 02 of 2022).

### 1.2 Protection of Personal Information Act (Act 4 of 2013) (POPI)

In light of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act 4 of 2013) (POPI), and given that this Comments and Response Report (CRR) includes personal information of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), this CRR and the personal information it contains will only be included in the copy of the report provided to the competent authority (i.e. the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment), in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014), as amended, enacted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (No. 107 of 1998), as amended.

The EAPs explained the relevant aspects of the provisions of this Act during our extensive engagements with the identified communities and I&APs.

### 1.3 Pre-application Public Participation Process (PPP)

The appointed EAPs conducted a pre-application public participation process to introduce and engage with the leading identified role players acting on behalf of the interests of the wider Richtersveld community. A site visit was conducted between Monday 13 February 2023 and Thursday 16 February 2023, which included *inter alia* the following:

- A meeting with the Municipal Manager and the Technical Director of the Richtersveld Local Municipality in Port Nolloth;
- Placement of notices in Port Nolloth, on site and Alexander Bay library (Appendix A);
- Meeting with appointed officials of the Richtersveld CPA;
- Pre-application meeting with officials of the DFFE on Thursday 16 February 2023.



### **1.4 Public Participation Process (PPP)**

The Public Participation Process (PPP) for this project was conducted in line with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended. This EA amendment was completed in terms of Regulation 31 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended, including the additional specialist assessments reports and public participation as requested by the DFFE in their acceptance email of 24 May 2023 (**Appendix B**) including *inter alia* the following:

- An Amendment Motivation Report, as stipulated in Regulation 32(1)(a) of the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended) to motivate for the change of scope;
- The status (baseline) of the environment (social and biophysical) that was assessed during the initial assessment (by the relative specialist, if applicable);
- The current status of the assessed environment (social and biophysical) (by the relative specialist, if applicable);
- A review of all specialist studies undertaken, and a detailed assessment, including a site verification report providing an indication of the status of the receiving environment (by the relative specialist, if applicable);
- The terms of reference for the specialist reports and declaration of interest of each specialist must be provided;
- The report mentioned above, must indicate if the impact rating as provided in the initial assessment remains valid; if the mitigation measures provided in the initial assessment are still applicable; or if there are any new mitigation measures which need to be included into the EA, should the request to extend the commencement period be granted by the Department;
- An indication if there are any new assessments/guidelines which are now relevant to the authorised development which were not undertaken as part of the initial assessment, must be taken into consideration and addressed in the report;
- A description and an assessment of any changes to the environment (social and biophysical) that has occurred since the initial EA was issued;
- A description and an assessment of the surrounding environment, in relation to new developments or changes in land use which might impact on the authorised project, the assessment must consider the following:
  - similar developments within a 30km radius;
  - Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e., hectares of cumulatively transformed land.
  - Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.
  - The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.
  - A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.
- Consent from all affected landowners (where applicable);
- The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended; and
- A comments and response report (CRR).



#### 1.4.1 Original comments received during 2011 EIA application

The PPP for the Richtersveld Wind Farm was conducted during 2011/2012 by ERM and is contained in the Final EIR (November 2011) that was approved by the Competent Authority. We have included their Comments and Response Report (CRR) submitted as part of this application in **Appendix C**.

#### 1.4.2 Public Participation Process (PPP) 2023

The public participation process (PPP) followed in 2023 was in support of this Part 2 amendment application by amending the applicant's Environmental Authorisation (Ref: 12/12/20/1967) issued on 28 May 2012 for the construction and operation of the Richtersveld Wind Farm. This PPP was undertaken in accordance with the requirements contained in Chapter 6 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, and included *inter alia* the following:

- The database of registered stakeholders has been updated and maintained (Appendix D).
- Notices were placed at the project site entrance (R382), Kuboes, Sanddrift, Eksteensfontein and Lekersing between Monday 22 May 2023 and Wednesday 24 May 2023 (**Appendix E**).
- Notices distributed by the Richtersveld Community Property Association (CPA) were placed at Kuboes, Sanddrift, Eksteensfontein and Lekersing respectively to inform the communities of individual public meetings that were held at each of these towns between Monday 22 May 2023 and Wednesday 24 May 2023 (Appendix F).
- Written notifications to registered I&AP's/registered stakeholders/organs of state that formed part of the initial application to inform them of the proposed amendment and allow them an opportunity to comment on the process and provide access to the application documentation and reports. These notifications were sent on 17 May 2023 (Appendix G).
- An advertisement was placed in the local Gemsbok Newspaper on 19 May 2023 (Appendix H).

The Draft Motivation Report (MR) was made available to the public from 24 March 2023 to 26 April 2023. However, these dates were extended to 03 May 2023 due to various public holidays and to allow the stakeholders that were notified on 30 March 2023 of this process their 30-day commenting period.

### 1.5 Comments received during the 2023 PPP

The CA indicated in their letter of 24 May 2023 that the CRR should be in a Table format as indicated in Annexure A to their letter, and that comments from I&APs must not be split and arranged into categories. Comments received during the 2023 PPP is indicated in Table 1-1. Copies of original emails is attached as **Appendix I**.

Please note: The communities in the Richtersveld are predominantly Afrikaans speaking and do not converse or write in English. We have translated Afrikaans versions of emails between the I&APs and the EAP for your convenience. All our engagements and public meetings were held in Afrikaans.



#### Table 1-1: Comments received during 2023

Date of		
comment,		
format of		Descours
comment,	Comment	Response from
name of		EAP/Applicant/Specialist
organisation/I		
&AP		
24 May 2023	Please see Appendix B for the acknowledgment letter of	The EAP acknowledged same
Email: DFFE	the DFFE.	and no further responses
Acknowledgm		were required.
ent of receipt		
of application		
for		
amendment		
26 June 2023	Please see <b>Appendix I</b> for a copy of this email.	No action required.
Email: DFFE Comments of		
the Draft		
Amendment		
Motivation		
Report for the		
EA		
amendment		
23 March	Please see <b>Appendix I</b> for a copy of this email.	Before we provide comment,
2023	ORIGINAL MESSAGE	Mr de Wet indicates he is the
Email: Pieter	"Goeiedag Mr.Scheepers.	owner of the subject
de Wet	Dankie vir die geleentheid om met u te kon skakel rakende	property, however that is not
Request to be	vermelde projek.	entirely true. The property
registered as	Ek is Pieter De Wet n inwoner van Alexanderbaai ,n lid van	belongs to all the people of
an I&AP and	die RICHTERSVELD GEV die eienaar van die vermelde	the Richtersveld Community,
request for	gronde.	and the property is managed
more	Graag versoek ek u vir die volgende inligting. 1.Die	by the Community Property
background	toesteming verkry vanaf grond eienaar asook afskrif van	Association (CPA).
information	Huurooreenkoms 2. RWF se besonderhede asook	
	Consortium partnership agreement.	EAP Reply
	3. Die name van plase tersprake en grotte van plase in hektar.	Baie dankie Pieter vir jou
		navraag. Ons registreer jou
	4. Beskrywing van voorgestelde projek(Besigheidsplan).	op ons databasis en kom spoedig terug na jou toe in
	5. Rekords van Community	verband met jou
	participation.(Alexanderbaai,Sanddrift,Kuboes,Lekkersing	onderstaande navraag.
	en Eksteenfonteinasook die CPA kommitee of Die	Groete
	Administrateur.	Nelius
	6. afskifte van EIA REPORTS.	
	Ek dank u vir die geleentheid. Pieter.DeWet."	TRANSLATION
		Thank you, Pieter, for your
	TRANSLATION	query. We register you on



	Good day Mr.Scheepers.	our database and soon come
	Thank you for the opportunity to contact you regarding	back to you in connection
	the mentioned project.	with your below inquiry.
	I am Pieter de Wet a resident of Alexander Bay, a member	regards
	of the Richtersveld GE the owner of the specified grounds.	Nelius
	I would like to request you for the following information.	
	1.The consent obtained from land owner as well as copy	EAP Reply
	of lease agreement 2. RWF's details as well as Consortium	Beste Mr De Wet
	Partnership Agreement.	Dankie vir u epos.
	3. The names of farms and caves of farms in hectares.	Ons neem ook kennis van u
	4. Description of proposed project (Business Plan).	skakeling met die GEV/CPA
	5. Records of Community Participation. (Alexander Bay,	kantoor.
	Sanddrift, Cube, Lekkersing and Eksteenfonteinso the	Meeste van die
	CPA Committee or the Administrator.	dokumentasie wat u aanvra is
	6. Delecies of EIA Reports.	reeds in die publieke domain
	I thank you for the opportunity. Pieter.deWet	beskikbaar omdat dit deel
		vorm van die publieke rekord
	"Mnr Scheupers	wat verband hou met die
	Baie dankie dat u terug gekom hetmaar ietwat teleur	geldige
	gestel dat u my verwys na Mnr Swartbooi en	omgewingsgoedkeurings van
	Mrs.Annmary De Wet.	die DFFE (die konsultant
	Ek vertrou dat u dit sal regstel.	maatskappy op daarde
	Groete.	stadium vir G7 was ERM soos
	Pieter."	u sal merk). Ons stuur graag
		ook vir u 'n WeTransfer link
	TRANSLATION	waar u toegang kan he tot
	Mr. Scheupers	hierdie inligting:
	Thank you so much for coming back. But disappointed	https://we.tl/t-oSoe0WnN4T
	somewhat that you refer me to Mr Swartbooi and	Wanneer ons gereed is om
	Mrs.Annmary de Wet.	die nuutste inligting vir die
	I trust that You will correct it.	omgewingsgoedkeuring
	Regards.	wysigings proses te versprei,
	Pieter	sal ons u ook as deel van die
		lys van I&APs vir publieke
		deelname, insluit.
		Groete
		Nelius
29 May 2023	Had a telephonic discussion with Mr de Wet.	Beste Pieter
Telecoms:		Ons gesprek per telefoon
Pieter de Wet		vanoggend verwys.
		Aangeheg is die Power Point
		presentation wat ons vir julle
		aangebied het in Sanddrif.
		Soos ook bespreek tydens die
		vergadering, sal ons u op
		hoogte hou met die
		vordering van die
		omgewingsgoedkeuring
		wysigings proses.



Groete
Nelius

#### TRANSLATION

Best Mr De Wet Thanks for your email. We also take note of your liaison with the GE/CPA office.

Most of the documentation you are requesting is already available in the public domain because it forms part of the public record associated with the valid environmental approvals of the DFFE (the consultant company at that stage for G7 was ERM as you will mark). We would also like to send you a Wetransfer Link where you can have access to this information: https://we.tl/tosoe0wnn4t When we are ready to distribute the latest information for the environmental approval process, we will also include you as part of the list of I & APS for public participation. regards Nelius Dear Pieter Our conversation by phone this morning refers. Attached is the Power Point Presentation we presented to you in Sanddrif during our public meeting. As also discussed during the

meeting (which you attended), we will keep you informed of the progress of the environmental approval process. regards Nelius



18 May 2023	Please see <b>Appendix I</b> for a copy of this email.	EAP Reply
Email: Pieter	Dear Nelius	The EAPs for this project held
van Wyk	I am writing in regards to:	a Teams meeting on 14 Jube
Comments on	RE: PART 2 AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL	2023 with Mr De Wet around
amendment	AUTHORISATION (EA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL	matters raised in his initial
	MANAGEMENT REPORT (EMPr) FOR THE PROPOSED	email and had a fruitful
process and	RICHTERSVELD WIND FARM ON KORRIDOR WES FARM	
notification.	(WITBANK (FARM 6/2), KORRIDOR WES FARM (ROOIBANK	discussion on the way
	(FARM 7/2) WHICH IS OWNED BY THE RICHTERSVELD	forward and incorporation of
	SIDA HUB COMMUNAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATION,	his involvement in the project
	NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.	as valuable contributor to
	I am including my manager and our senior section ranger	protection of vegetation.
	at the Richtersveld National Park.	
	Unfortunately, I was not aware of this development until	FAD realied on 26 lune 2022
	today, and would like to give some crucial feedback, but	EAP replied on 26 June 2023.
	firstly want to introduce myself. I am employed full time	Dear Pieter
	by SANParks and work in the Richtersveld National Park. I	Your email of 18 May 2023
	grew up in the Richtersveld, specifically the region of your	and our subsequent Teams
	development where I have studied the flora for 22 years	meeting on Wednesday 14
	and are currently the most specialized person in the world	June 2023 refers.
	on the fauna & flora of the Richtersveld, Gariep Desert,	Although the Richtersveld
	Sperrgebiet and northern Namaqualand regions.	National Park is
	Something very important which I would like to bring to	approximately 23 km south-
	your attention regarding the sensitive areas mapped in	east of the proposed wind
	your study, is the movement of sand whenever there are	farm, we would like to
	disturbances. Consideration of placement of the wind	extend our sincere
	turbines cannot be taken only on 'in or outside a	appreciation for your
	sensitive' area. I have monitored the Eskom power lines	comments and
	which they put up in 2017, and a mere 35x35m area of	recommendations and value
	destruction caused by trembling, road access and actual	your dedication to protecting
	infrastructure for each tower, has now turned into 100-	the broader Richtersveld
	200x200m areas of moving sand which are still growing	floral ecology and diversity.
	rapidly. The nature of the climate and region needs	As we have indicated during
	careful consideration, which should include climate	our Teams meeting, there are
	studies, especially focusing on movement of wind. This	still conditions in the existing
	said, the area of chois of this development are within	environmental authorisation
	extreme wind corridors, predominantly from the	that must be met <b>and</b>
	SSW. Knowing the ecology and climate of the locality	approved by the DFFE before
	chosen for this development better than any person in	the commencement of this
	the world, a given fact that will happen if preventions are	project.
	not taken, is each road and tower construction site is	This includes, among other
	going to cause immense movement of sand, especially	things:
	now given that we are admits a 12-year drought. This	<ul> <li>a plant rescue and protection plan which</li> </ul>
	said, should any towers be developed south, west, or east	protection plan which
	of the sensitive areas, the sensitive areas will most likely	allows for the maximum
	be destroyed by movement of sand from the various	transplant of important
	disturbances, should no precautions have taken.	conservation species
	If you study the environmental disaster west of the tar	from areas to be transformed. This plan
	road, caused by the mines, and study a time serious of	transformed. This plan
	satellite images from the mines, you will see that in some	must be compiled by a
	places a tiny quarry of about 500m2 has caused an area of	vegetation specialist familiar with the site in
	longer than 20km being destroyed by sandblasting, a	
	typical 'snowball effect'.	consultation with the
	Then their localized endemics which are only visible after	ECO and be
	rains of more than 20mm due to the depth of the corms,	implemented before
	which could not be included in your study in 2021 due to	



<ul> <li>immense drought, the sensitive areas correlate with my data of more than 20 years, I even discovered a new species at one of those rocky outcrops which is tuberous and only visible after rain.</li> <li>Please keep the above in consideration.</li> <li>Then last but not least, when your sites has been finalized for development, please keep us up to date with developments, to enable me to access the sites prior to development to collect genetic material for banking purposes. The Richtersveld National Park has a botanical garden and a gene bank, as well work with the Millennium Seed Bank to store genetic material of species now going extinct due to past, present, and future developments. Due to the mines, overgrazing and the apposed Green Hydrogen Development, over 400 species of plants are threatened to go extinct. Very few people know this, but the region is the highest in biodiversity for any arid environment on our planet, and one of earths most sensitive micro ecosystems, it boasts in the highest percentage of localized endemism in plants. It is a global reptile hot spot as well. Sadly, it is disappearing at an alarming rate, and we need to do whatever is possible to conserve this precious region.</li> <li>Yours sincerely</li> <li>Pieter Van Wyk</li> <li>Mr van Wyk's reply on 26 June 2023</li> <li>Hi Nelius</li> <li>Thanks for your email. I am willing to help as far as time allows.</li> <li>Please find attached a draft document for the Boegoebaai port area.</li> <li>Best wishes</li> <li>Pieter</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>the commencement of the construction phase;</li> <li>a re-vegetation and habitat rehabilitation plan is to be implemented during the construction and operation of this facility, including timeframes for restoration which must indicate rehabilitation within the shortest possible time after completion of construction activities to reduce the amount of habitat converted at any one time and to speed up the recovery to natural habitats;</li> <li>an alien invasive management plan to be implemented during the construction and operation of the facility. The plan must include mitigation measures to reduce the invasion of alien species and ensure that the continuous monitoring and removal of alien species is undertaken;</li> <li>an erosion management plan for monitoring and rehabilitating erosion events associated with the facility. Appropriate erosion mitigation must form part of this plan to prevent and reduce the risk of any potential erosion; and</li> <li>a transportation plan for transporting turbine components, main assembly cranes and other large equipment.</li> <li>It is clear from the above that the formulation of these plans prior to the commencement of development will address your concerns shared with us, and we propose that you will be an integral part of the</li> </ul>



		specialist team appointed to prepare said plans for the
		development.
		We also indicated that the
		current amendment of the
		proposed project was to
		reduce the number of
		turbines, reduce the
		disturbance footprint and
		include a Battery Energy
		Storage System (BESS) as part
		of this amendment
		application.
		We have also considered
		your proposal instead to use
		the already disturbed
		historical mining area across
		the road as a laydown area
		for the bulk infrastructure of
		the project. On the
		assumption that this
		approach is contractually
		possible with the landowner
		of the disturbed area(s), we
		will include this suggestion in
		the final design to be
		authorised by the DFFE.
		We have also included your
		proposal instead to use sand
		from the disturbed historical
		mining area to construct
		access routes between the
		individual towers and protect
		the biological layer of the
		existing soil structure of the
		site.
		We hope this addresses your
		initial concerns, and we hope
		you will be a meaningful
		partner and role-player in
		providing crucial input in
		formulating the plans above.
		Kind regards
		Nelius
		INCHUS
19 May 2023	Good morning,	No response required. Please
Email:	Thank you for the notification. Please upload the EA	see email trail below.
		see email trail below.
Natasha Higgit	to the relevant SAHRIS Case and change the status of	
(SAHRIS)	the case to SUBMITTED. Please inform me when this	
Notification	is completed and provide the Case ID number in	
and upload.	your email.	
	Kind regards,	
	Please note: Due to high meeting and task load, I	
	may not be able to respond to your email	
L	I may not be able to respond to your emain	



	immediately. If you do not receive a response within 5 working days, please resend your query.	
	From: Clinton Jackson < <u>cjackson@sahra.org.za</u> >	
	Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 11:41 AM	
	<b>To:</b> Natasha Higgitt < <u>nhiggitt@sahra.org.za</u> >;	
	Nokukhanya Khumalo < <u>nkhumalo@sahra.org.za</u> >	
	<b>Cc:</b> Ben Mwasinga < <u>bmwasinga@sahra.org.za</u> >;	
	SAHRA General < <u>info@sahra.org.za</u> >	
	Subject: FW: Stakeholder Notification // Richtersveld	
	Wind Farm Project // 12/12/20/1967/AM5 // Part 2	
	amendment application	
	From: SAHRA General < <u>info@sahra.org.za</u> >	
	Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 11:40 AM	
	To: Clinton Jackson < <u>cjackson@sahra.org.za</u> >; Ben	
	Mwasinga < <u>bmwasinga@sahra.org.za</u> >	
	Subject: FW: Stakeholder Notification // Richtersveld	
	Wind Farm Project // 12/12/20/1967/AM5 // Part 2	
	amendment application	
	Dear colleagues, Kindly see the email below and assist further	
	Kindly see the email below and assist further. Thank you	
	Regards,	
	SAHRA	
	From: daniel@hcvafrica.com	
	< <u>daniel@hcvafrica.com</u> >	
	Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 5:04 PM	
	To: 'Daniel' < <u>daniel@bukhali.group</u> >	
	Subject: Stakeholder Notification // Richtersveld	
	Wind Farm Project // 12/12/20/1967/AM5 // Part 2	
	amendment application	
	Dear Stakeholder,	
	Kindly see the attached notification for your	
	attention. You will find a link to all the relevant documentation in this notification.	
	Please do not hesitate to contact us should you	
	require any additional information.	
	I trust you find this in order.	
	Regards,	
	Daniél	
27 June 2023	Please see Appendix I for a copy of this email.	Files to be transferred.
Email:		
Natasha Higgit	Good morning,	
(SAHRIS)	Thenk you for your arrait	
Further	Thank you for your email.	
assistance in	I note SAHRIS Case ID 1959	
uploading of	(https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/richtersveld-wind-	
documents.	energy-facility-northern-cape). The author of the	
L	site of indiated indiated and on the	1



case is a SAHRA employee at present. Do you wish to transfer authorship to Mr Halketts SAHRIS profile or your own company SAHRIS profile, if you have one, to submit documents and make amendments to the case?	
Please provide an appointment letter showing that your company has been appointed to submit these amendments, or that Mr Halkett has been appointed to do so. Thereafter, the case may be reassigned to the relevant profile.	
Kind regards,	
Please note: Due to high meeting and task load, I may not be able to respond to your email immediately. If you do not receive a response within 5 working days, please resend your query.	
From: Nelius Scheepers < <u>nelius@hcvafrica.com</u> > Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2023 4:48 PM To: Natasha Higgitt < <u>nhiggitt@sahra.org.za</u> > Cc: 'Daniel' < <u>daniel@bukhali.group</u> > Subject: Richtersveld Wild Farm Project - 12/12/20/1967/AM5 // Part 2 amendment application Importance: High	
Dear Natasha	
I was referred to you by David Halkett, the heritage consultant involved in the EA amendment for the Richtersveld Wild Farm Project.	
The project was originally authorised on 28 May 2012, the applicant was a company G7. Since then, there were numerous amendments, and we are preparing to submit the final documents for the current amendment application.	
Based on specific comments from the DFFE, we are required to inform yourselves about the amendment, additionally, the old information relating to the project on the SAHRIS system, must be updated.	
We are not heritage specialists ourselves, thus we would kindly request your guidance in this regard?	
Thanking you in advance Nelius	



17 May 2023	Hi Daniel	Good evening Doug,
-	Thanks for the notification	I trust this email finds you
Email: Doug Jeffery Comments	Thanks for the notification I went through the impressive list of the team on your website and picked up one issue that cannot be correct The description for Llewelyn Coertzen states as follows: <i>He is a registered professional</i> <i>scientist in the field of ecology with</i> <i>the South African Council of Natural</i> <i>Scientific Professions (SACNASP), the</i> <i>South African Wetland Society (SAWS),</i> <i>the Botanical Society of South Africa</i> <i>(BotSoc)</i> and of the Registrar of <i>Animal Improvement, at the</i> <i>Department of Agriculture, Forestry &amp;</i> <i>Fisheries (DAFF), as a reproduction-</i> <i>operator.</i> Perhaps this is a punctuation/grammar error but the Botanical Society of South Africa does not have any registration for professional scientists and in fact is a voluntary organisation with no professional membership.	I trust this email finds you well. Thank you for responding to this notice. It is highly valued and appreciated. I will forward your email to our colleague so that we can fix the incorrect statement. We do indeed conduct the required specialist assessments in terms of the NEMA requirements. You are welcome to contact us should you require any information. Have a good evening. Warm regards, Daniél
	Please will you ensure that this is corrected on the web site! Do you undertake specialist assessments in terms of the NEMA protocols and requirements to feed into Environmental Impact Assessments within the Western Cape? Kind regards Doug Jeffery Director   Environmental Assessment Practitioner Reg. EAP (EAPASA)   PrSciNat. 083 269 0496   doug@dougjeff.co.za DOUG JEFFERY ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS From: daniel@hcvafrica.com <daniel@hcvafrica.com></daniel@hcvafrica.com>	



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Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 5:04 PM To: 'Daniel' < <u>daniel@bukhali.group</u> > Subject: Stakeholder Notification // Richtersveld Wind Farm Project // 12/12/20/1967/AM5 // Part 2 amendment application	
<b>EXTERNAL EMAIL</b> - DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe. If this email is not expected check with the sender that it is safe.	
Dear Stakeholder, Kindly see the attached notification for your attention. You will find a link to all the relevant documentation in this notification. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information. I trust you find this in order. Regards,	
Daniél	

No further comments were received at the time of compiling this CRR document.



## **APPENDIX A**

# **Proof of site notices for pre-application PPP**



## **APPENDIX B**

# DFFE Acknowledgment email



## **APPENDIX C**

## ERM Comments and Response Report (November 2011)



## **APPENDIX D**

# Updated stakeholder database 2023



## **APPENDIX E**

## Site and community notices



## **APPENDIX F**

# **Public meetings**



## **APPENDIX G**

# **Stakeholder notification**



## **APPENDIX H**

## Newspaper advert



## **APPENDIX I**

# **I&AP email correspondence**



## **APPENDIX J**

# Richtersveld Community Property Association (CPA) Notarial Lease