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PROJECT: BANNA BA PIFHU WIND FARM AND GRID CONNECTION

CASE (SAHRIS) REF: 18782

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BACKGROUND: Proposed Part II Amendment of the Banna ba Pifhu Wind Farm and Grid Connection Environmental Authorisations, Eastern Cape Province
Banna ba Pifhu Wind Farm (RF) (Pty) Ltd intend to amend the valid environmental authorisation (EA) of the Banna ba Pifhu Wind Farm and Grid Connection through a Part II Amendment Application process. BWF are required to follow an Amendment Process in terms of Chapter 5 (Regulation 31 and 32) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998 – NEMA), as amended due to substantive changes in the project scope. These changes include: (1) amendments to the Wind Farm site layout, design, and generation capacity; (2) turbine specifications; (3) a reduction in the number of wind turbines proposed; (4) inclusion of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS); (5) repositioning of the authorised substation; and (6) re-alignment of the grid connection route. In terms of locality, the Banna ba Pifhu development is located approximately 3 km south of the town of Humansdorp in the Kouga Local Municipality and Sarah Baartman District Municipality, Eastern Cape Province. Electricity generated by the wind farm will be transferred into the national grid via the on-site substation and 66 kV transmission line (overhead powerline) to the existing 66 kV Melkhout / St Francis overhead powerline which passes through the site.

ECPHRA FINAL COMMENTS:

The APM committee supports the project **in terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)**, however:

- Chance find protocol should be adhered to, i.e. should you encounter any archaeological / paleontological materials, all construction activity is to cease immediately, the *find* location to be recorded and all remains left in place.

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13 September 2022

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