

**ESKOM ABERDEEN 200MW WIND ENERGY FACILITY PROJECT
SCOPING PHASE COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT**

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General			
1.	Register me as an interested and affected party.	Val Denham, Aberdeen Public Library, 19 January 2012, comment by reply from.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
2.	Register me as an interested and affected party.	Clive Kombani, Camdeboo Municipality Aberdeen, 19 January 2012, comment by reply from.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
3.	Register me as an interested and affected party.	Desmond J. Coetzee, Ward Councillor Aberdeen, Camdeboo Municipality, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
4.	Register me as an interested and affected party	Dallis Spakam, Aberdeen Heritage Archive and Tourism Bureau, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
5.	Register me as an interested and affected party	Ederich & Pen Marx, The Rangers, comment by reply form, 19 February 2012.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
6.	I am responsible for the Municipality's Integrated Development Plan and Community based Planning of which environmental issues are an important aspect.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator Camdeboo Municipality, comment by reply form 19 January 2012.	Noted. You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project. The draft scoping report will be submitted to the Camdeboo Municipality for review. This report includes a description of potential positive and negative environmental impacts

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			foreseen for the proposed project.
7.	A wind energy facility will be developed on my property.	Heinrich Marx, Dowefontein Farm, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	Noted. Eskom has indicated Heinrich Marx as one of the landowners of the affected properties. Appropriate consultation will be held with affected landowners.
8.	Having seen wind farms overseas, I think it is the way to go.	Wendy Van Schalkwyk, Hopsriver Farm, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	Noted. Wind farms are considered as a "green energy facility" with limited negative harmful impacts on the environment.
9.	Are there any negative effects of this project?	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	There are negative impacts associated with the Construction and Operational phases of the project. The scope of negative environmental impacts are covered in chapter 8 (scoping of issues). Negative impacts could include impacts on fauna, flora, avifauna etc, as presented in the Scoping report. All areas identified as "sensitive" from the scoping phase have been mapped out, and Eskom are advised to avoid these areas when planning their proposed layout of the facility. The potential impacts identified in the scoping phase will be further assessed in the impact assessment phase, and all registered I&As will be notified of the release of the draft EIA report.
10.	I would like to know more about this project.	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project. You can also contact Savannah for further information required.
11.	Register me as an interested and affected party	Mike Mangnall, Mainstream, comment by reply form, December 2011.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
12.	As a Councilor based in Aberdeen, I need to be kept apprised in order to report back to the community.	Samantha Jankovich, Camdeboo Ward Councillor, comment by reply form 19	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.

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13.	At this point, my questions have already been addressed at the public meeting on 19/01/2012. I believe that this project is going to be immensely beneficial to the people of Aberdeen.	Samantha Jankovich, Camdeboo Ward Councillor, comment by reply form 19 January 2012.	Noted.
14.	Register me as an interested and affected party	Myburgh Janse van Resenberg, Farmer Soutfontein Trust, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
15.	I am one of the landowners Eskom bought farms from.	Johan Terblanche, Resident Aberdeen, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	Noted. Eskom has indicated Johan Terblanche as one of the landowners of the affected properties.
16.	Would you be able to provide us with detailed maps of the proposed Aberdeen wind energy facility?	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	The locality map and sensitivity map of the scoping phase of the proposed Aberdeen Wind Farm were emailed to Leonie Fouche by Alicia Govender on 14 February 2012. Further detailed mapping will be provided within the EIA phase of the project, which will also indicate the site layout.
17.	I just want to note, that all applications and requests to the Camdeboo Municipality must go through the office of the Municipal Manager.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012	Noted, a copy of the draft report and all correspondence to be submitted to the Camdeboo Municipality will be addressed to the Municipal Manager.
18.	We thank you for the opportunity to come and clarify the proposed Eskom Aberdeen Wind Energy project.	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Comment noted with thanks.
19.	I would like to suggest that we keep the lines of communications open with Eskom and that the	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with	All issues raised thus far in the EIA process have been captured and added to the comments and response report

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	Eskom team note the issues raised by the Aberdeen Small Farmers.	the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	with adequate responses to each comment.
20.	We need a follow-up meeting to discuss all of the issues raised in this focus group meeting.	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Follow-up meetings will be held with the Aberdeen Small Farmers, Ward Councillors, Camdeboo Municipality and the Aberdeen Commercial Farmers in the impact assessment phase of the EIA process.
21.	I think this is a very exciting project that could unite the people of the District and the town of Aberdeen.	Samantha Jankovich, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Comment noted.
Public Participation			
22.	We need to know how Eskom will interact with the Camdeboo Municipality, ward councillors and the communities around Aberdeen.	Samantha Jankovich, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	This will be clarified as the project develops. The Camdeboo Municipality and ward councilors have been informed about the project. All interested and affected parties need to register to comment and clarify any issues relating to the project. Follow-up meetings will be held with key stakeholders during the environmental impact assessment phase and as part of the social impact assessment.
23.	We are very excited about this project, we want to make sure the entire community are informed. We can assist in mobilising the boarder community for the environmental impact assessment phase.	Desmond Coetzee, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Noted with thanks.
24.	Have you informed the entire Camdeboo Municipality?	Desmond Coetzee, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Yes, the Camdeboo Municipality have informed of the proposed project through the office of the Municipal Manager Mr. Langboo and the Integrated Development Plan, Mrs Leonie Fouche. A focus group meeting was held with the Camdeboo Municipality on 19 January 2012.
25.	How was the general public informed about the project?	Desmond Coetzee, commented at the Public meeting, 19	The EIA team used the local newspaper, posters, bulk mailing at the Aberdeen post office, the Aberdeen Small Farmers and

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		January 2012	Aberdeen Commercial Farmers Association via the distribution of the background information document in English and Afrikaans.
26.	For the follow-up meetings, I would like to suggest you use the ward councillors to mobilise the broader community. We can assist with spreading the word about meetings, making posters and using the loudhailers to announce the meetings in the township areas.	Desmond Coetzee, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Assistance and advice received with thanks. Councillors will be notified in advance of proposed meetings, as well as the release of draft reports that will be out for public review.
Benefits, Job Creation & Accommodation for Workers			
27.	I am an emerging farmer in the Aberdeen District. I would like to know what benefits there would be for us as emerging farmers.	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	This would become clear as the project develops. The Eskom Foundation and the stakeholder management team would be developing a stakeholder engagement strategy once the project reaches the construction phase.
28.	Will the community get involved?	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	This would become clear as the project develops. The Eskom Foundation and the stakeholder management team would be developing a stakeholder engagement strategy once the project reaches the construction phase.
29.	Job creation for the community?	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	At this point in Eskom does not have the exact numbers for job creation, as developmental work is still being done. This will be confirmed in the impact assessment phase.
30.	My interest is that I believe it will be good for job creation. I am glad for Eskom due to the large scale unemployment in the area.	Moses Benjamin, Resident Aberdeen, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	Noted.
31.	Job creation for the community. Cheaper electricity for the poor. Opportunity and better electricity supply.	Marties Magielis, Resident Aberdeen, comment by reply form, 25 January 2012.	Noted. The proposed project will offer a substantial amount of job opportunities to the locals, the exact numbers are unknown at this stage, and will be confirmed in the impact assessment phase of the project. People living in and around Aberdeen will not receive cheaper electricity as all electricity

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			generated (from all power stations, including the proposed Aberdeen Wind Farm) will feed directly into the Eskom grid. This will in turn strengthen the Eskom grid and improve the electricity supply to various areas.
32.	As a small and medium enterprise we would like to be engaged in this project, to participate, to gain skills and economical benefit, so that development can take place as it is the plan of Government to relieve poverty and create more jobs. We would like more community participation in this regard. Job opportunities and when did the process start?	Nicholas Skosana, Imvusa Trading, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	Noted. You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project. At this point in the EIA process, Eskom do not have the exact numbers for job creation. This will be confirmed in the impact assessment phase. The proposed Aberdeen Wind Farm site was identified by Eskom in 2009. The EIA process kicked off in June 2011.
33.	The Eastern Cape Development Corporation is the investment promotion agency for the Eastern Cape. Government as such has an interest in all potential new developments in the province.	Rory Haschick, Eastern Cape Development Corporation, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	Noted. You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the project stakeholder database and will receive all correspondence on the proposed project.
34.	What will the extent of the employment opportunities be for the community? And What will the duration of employment be and at what skills levels will staff be employed?	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	<p>The social impact assessment at the Impact Assessment phase will deal with these key questions, as this information is not available at this stage.</p> <p>Eskom is looking at various options and is compelled by Government to have a large local employment component. This will be clarified as the project develops.</p> <p>A range of skills from basic to specialist will be required for this kind of project. This will be broadly covered in the social impact assessment process in the impact assessment phase.</p>

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35.	I'm glad local labour will be used in the construction and operational phases of the project.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Yes local labour will be used as much as possible. It is a requirement of Government.
36.	Will Eskom use the extended public work programme for job creation?	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Eskom will have its own internal process.
37.	Was the Spatial Development Framework considered in the planning of this project?	Vuyelwa Mpekula, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Yes, Eskom has taken this document into consideration. The social specialist also used this as a guideline document to undertake the social impact assessment that will form part of the draft scoping report that will be out for public review shortly.
38.	As small scale emerging farmers we would like to know what benefits the project would provide to us as emerging farmers?	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	This would become clear as the project develops. The Eskom Foundation and the stakeholder management team would be developing a stakeholder engagement strategy as the project approaches the construction phase.
39.	How many jobs will the project generate?	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	At this point we do not have the exact number for job creation. This will be confirmed in the impact assessment phase.

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40.	Will the Aberdeen town benefit from the proposed project?	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	The town will benefit by direct and indirect investment, jobs and services for a project of this nature. All the benefits will be identified and listed in the draft scoping report.
41.	What type of skills will be required on this project?	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	A range of skills from basic to specialist will be required for this kind of project. This will be broadly covered in the social impact assessment process in the impact assessment phase.
42.	Where will the construction team live? Will construction workers be housed on site or in town of Aberdeen?	Marlon F. De Jager, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	The construction teams will not live on site. Eskom will be looking at the nearest towns to house the specialist and construction teams.
43.	We appreciate the information, however we do not want to be used and when the project is developed we are not advised and receive nothing from the developer.	Nicholas Vaster, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Comment noted. Eskom will investigate means of community benefits.
44.	I would like to urge the Eskom team present not to provide lip service to the community of Aberdeen. We require Eskom's commitment to the broader community. All of the issues raised by the emerging farmers are quite sensitive and are burning issues	Klasie Afrika, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Comment noted. Eskom will investigate means of community benefits.

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45.	Will the construction workers live on the site or in a compound?	S.A. Marx, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	No one will live on the proposed development site. This component is not included in the environmental impact assessment. Eskom will investigate accommodation options in the surrounding towns.
46.	How many jobs will be created on this project?	C. Gouws, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Eskom is in the development phase and is currently calculating the employment opportunities for the short-term and long-term sustainability.
47.	We need clarity on the amount of jobs, accommodation facilities for the construction teams and what types of services can be provided by the community in Aberdeen.	Samantha Jankovich, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Comment noted. Details will be included in the impact assessment phase.
Technical Issues			
48.	What will happen when the wind is not blowing?	Marties Magielis, Resident Aberdeen, comment by reply from, 25 January 2012.	The turbines will not turn and no electricity will be generated.
49.	What will happen if it's raining, thunderstorms and snow in winter?	Marties Magielis, Resident Aberdeen, comment by reply from, 25 January 2012.	There will be no impact on the wind farm. The turbines are designed to endure the harsh winter weather.
Layout			
50.	Can you provide us with a detailed design of the footprint and infrastructure of the proposed wind energy facility?	Vuyelwa Mpekula, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	This information will be available in the environmental impact assessment phase.
51.	Can you clarify how you will be accessing the site?	Vuyelwa Mpekula, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at	The site could be accessed from the R61, but Eskom needs to get clarification about where they will be allowed to access

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		FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	the site from. This has not yet been defined, and will be further investigated and assessed in the EIA phase.
Ownership and subdivision of Farm Portions			
52.	Who owns the land/farms?	Nikolas Jankovich, resident Aberdeen, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	Eskom owns all the properties that are proposed for the development of the proposed Aberdeen Wind Farm.
53.	Will the emerging farmers be able to hire/lease the Eskom property once the wind energy facility is completed?	Marlon De Jager, Aberdeen Small Farmers, comment by reply form, 19 January 2012.	<p>Currently the land is leased to the farmers that Eskom bought the farms from.</p> <p>Eskom are not sure what the future agreements would be with regards to leasing the property while the Aberdeen Wind farm is operational. A project of this nature is regarded as a national key point and it would be classified as a power station and would require a high level of safety and security. Eskom needs to clarify if leasing and grazing would be allowed to any farmers. This issue has been flagged for investigation.</p>
54.	Is the land private land?	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	The farms required for the development of the proposed wind farm were bought by Eskom and consolidated for the proposed Aberdeen wind energy facility.
55.	How did the land transfer subdivision occur without the input from the Camdeboo Municipality? We never saw this application and request. Please clarify the process.	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	The land transfer subdivision was done through the Camdeboo Municipality. Eskom can provide details upon request. The revised submissions are in progress.
56.	What happens with the farm land once the wind energy facility is built? Can you graze sheep there? Would the Aberdeen Small Farmers be	Klasie Afrika, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January	Currently the land is leased to the farmers that Eskom bought the farms from.

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	able to lease the land and graze sheep amongst the wind turbines?	2012	Eskom are not sure what the future agreements would be. A project of this nature is regarded as a national key point and it would be rated as a power station and would require a high level of safety and security. We need to clarify if leasing and grazing would be allowed to any farmers. This point is flagged for Eskom to investigate.
57.	What happens to the property if Eskom is not successful in developing this project?	Klasie Afrika, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Eskom currently have a clause in their deeds of sale that the land can be purchased back by the original owners at market related prices.
58.	<i>(Comment to previous response)</i> This is unfair. The biggest problems in this area are: 1. Unemployment; 2. Poverty; and, 3. Access to land for emerging black farmers.	Klasie Afrika, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Comment has been noted.
59.	What will happen to the current farmers leasing the farm portions once the project is built?	A.J. Beyers, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	This has not yet been clarified. Eskom currently has lease agreements with farmers Eskom bought land from.
60.	Are you planning to change the lease agreements to accommodate the Aberdeen Small Farmers?	A.J. Beyers, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	The land use after the project is built needs to be clarified due to the nature of the facility. The facility would be regarded as a national key point, and might not be used for agricultural purposes or non-controlled access activities.
Site Selection			
61.	Why this area?	Nikolas Jankovich, resident Aberdeen, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	The proposed Aberdeen site was identified through the NASA wind data process, which showed the site as being favourable for a wind energy facility.
62.	Why was this area selected for a wind energy	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo	

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	facility?	Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	A site identification and selection process to determine sites suitable for wind energy development was undertaken by Eskom and the EIA consulting team during the period 2009 to 2010. The Aberdeen site was selected as a potentially favourable site for the development of a wind farm. Chapter 3 of the draft scoping report details the site selection process.
63.	Do you have good wind data?	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Eskom are in the process of erecting a wind mast to verify that the wind data at the proposed site is good. Site specific wind data is necessary for a bankable project.
Timeline			
64.	What is the role out date after the environmental impact assessment?	Nikolas Jankovich, resident Aberdeen, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	Eskom estimated a 3 year period before they commence with construction.
65.	How long will it take before you start construction on a project of this nature?	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	It can take up to three years for the construction phase to commence.
66.	What is the timeframe before construction commences?	A.P. Els, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Eskom anticipate about three years before any construction can commence.
Water			
67.	Where are you sourcing water from for the construction and operational phases of the project?	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Eskom are currently investigating all options for sourcing of water. All water requirements will be considered in the environmental impact assessment.
68.	The water use needs to be discussed with the Department of Water Affairs and the Camdeboo	Ivor Barrington, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at	Eskom notes this point, and will investigate the matter for the impact assessment phase.

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	Municipality.	FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	
69.	Where will your water come from for construction and operations? Will you use groundwater? Our area is a water stressed area with limited resources.	Nicholas Vaster, commented at the FGM with the Emerging Aberdeen Farmers, 19 January 2012	Eskom is looking at all water options, which will further be investigated in the impact assessment phase.
70.	Where will you obtain the large volumes of water you require for the construction and operational phase? The area is quite a water stressed area and we have existing problems with our boreholes.	S.A. Marx, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Eskom is looking at all sources of water for uses on the project. This will be clarified within the environmental impact assessment process, and further investigated in the impact assessment phase.
Safety & Security			
71.	Will the site be fenced with security?	S.A. Marx, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Yes, the site will be fenced, and will have appropriate security measures.
72.	We would be concerned about safety and security and stock theft with large numbers of people moving into the area.	Izak van der Merwe, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Eskom will focus on safety and security in and around the proposed site, as part of the bigger Social Impact Assessment.
Transmission Integration			
73.	I suggest that that no new 400kV power line is built to the Droe Rivier substation. Eskom have an existing servitude registered for the Gamma-Grass Ridge project. Eskom owns the property for the proposed wind energy facility. Build the project on the Eskom property for wind farm and join into the proposed Gamma-Grassridge transmission line.	Heinrich Marx, Dowefontein Farm, comment by reply from, 19 January 2012.	Noted. Eskom are investigating all options of the power line. These were the suggestions provided by the Eskom grid designers and Eskom Transmission. This issue has been flagged for clarity. The power line connecting the proposed Aberdeen Wind farm to the Eskom grid will be assessed in a separate EIA process.
74.	Why are you building a new 400KV transmission line to Droe Rivier Substation?	Vuyelwa Mpekula, Camdeboo Municipality, commented at	The power line alternatives will be clarified and all options will be investigated. The suggested transmission line will also be

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	Why not tie into proposed Gramma-Grasridge line?	FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	considered. This will be done in a separate EIA process.
75.	Why must a new transmission line be built to the Droe Rivier Substation? Why not just build a new substation on site and link into the Gamma-Grasridge transmission line?	A.P. Els, commented at the Public meeting, 19 January 2012	Eskom is investigating all options. These were the suggestions provided by the Eskom grid designers and Eskom Transmission. . The suggested transmission line will also be considered, and assessed through a separate EIA process.
Avifauna			
76.	Avifauna (birds) migration routes would be a major concern.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator Camdeboo Municipality, comment by reply form 19 January 2012.	Noted. An avifauna specialist scoping study has been undertaken and concluded that the proposed site is moderately sensitive in terms of avifauna. The significance ratings of the impacts on the avifauna will be updated and confirmed during the impact assessment phase (Refer to Appendix G for Avifauna study). Avifauna migration routes will be flagged for the avifauna specialist to assess in the impact assessment phase.
77.	Have avifauna studies been undertaken as part of this EIA process?	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator- Camdeboo Municipality, commented at FGM with Camdeboo Municipality, 19 January 2012.	Yes, an avifauna study has been undertaken as part of the environmental impact assessment process. The avifauna specialist scoping report will be appended to the draft scoping report that will be out for public review shortly.
Biodiversity			
78.	Locality of installations, impact on environment, fauna and flora.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator Camdeboo Municipality, comment by reply form 19 January 2012.	The proposed layout of the wind farm is still to be finalised by Eskom, and will be included and assessed in the impact assessment phase. Chapter 8 of the scoping report indicates all potential impacts on the environment identified to date. Potential negative impacts on fauna and flora are expected to be of Local to regional significance. This will however need to be confirmed through a detailed assessment to be undertaken in the EIA phase of the process. The ecology,

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			fauna and flora scoping study is included in Appendix F of the draft scoping report.
Visual Impact			
79.	Visual/landscape viewshed impact.	Leonie Fouche, IDP Co-ordinator Camdeboo Municipality, comment by reply form 19 January 2012.	Chapter 8 of the scoping report indicates all potential impacts on the environment identified to date. Potential negative visual impacts are expected to be of Local during the construction and operational phases. The visual impact will be on observers residing in close proximity of the facility, and those travelling along national (i.e. N9), arterial (i.e. R61) and secondary roads in close proximity to the proposed wind farm and within the region. These initial findings will however need to be confirmed through a detailed assessment to be undertaken in the EIA phase of the process. The visual scoping study is included in Appendix J of the draft scoping report.