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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS / ACRONYMS

%	Percentage
C	Degrees Celsius
μSv	Micro Sieverts
AADQ	Annual Authorized Discharged Quantities
ABI	Agulhas Biodiversity Initiative
ACER	ACER (Arica) Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd
AIDS	Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
AP1000	Advanced Passive, form of an advanced pressurised water reactor
APPA	Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Act, 1965 (Act No. 45 of 1965)
ARC	Agricultural Resource Centre
Arcus GIBB	Arcus GIBB (Pty) Ltd
AsgiSA	Accelerated and shared Growth Initiative for South Africa
ALARA	As Low As Reasonably Achievable
B&B	Bed and Breakfast
BID	Background Information Document
BMP	Best Management Practise
BWR	Boiling Water Reactor
CAPE	Cape Action Plan for People and the Environment
CCGT	Combined Cycle Gas Turbine
CDC	Coega Development Corporation
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
ECO	Environmental Control Officer
CFR	Cape Floristic Region
CGS	Council for Geoscience
CIGS	Copper-Indium-Gallium-diSelenide
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
CSIR	Council for Science and Industrial Research
CSP	Concentrating Solar Power
CV	Coefficient of variation / Curriculum vitae
dB(A)	decibel
DBA	Design Basis Accidents
De Beers	De Beers Consolidated Mines
DEA&DP	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (Provincial Government Western Cape)
DEA	Department of Environmental Affairs (National Government)
DEAT	Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (Now DEA)
DEDEA	Department of Economic Development and
	Environmental Affairs (Provincial Government Eastern Cape)
DMA	Disaster Management Act
DME	Department of Minerals and Energy (National Government)
DOE	Department of Energy (National Government)
DOL	Department of Labour (National Government)
DPW	Department of Public Works (National Government)
DSR	Draft Scoping Report

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DTEC	Department of Tourism, Environment and Conservation (Provincial
	Government Northern Cape)
DWA	Department of Water Affairs (National Government)
DWAF	Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (Now DWA)
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
ECO	Environmental Control Officer
ECT B	Eastern Cape Tourism Board
EDG	Emergency Diesel Generator
EEU	Environmental Evaluation Unit
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
ELA	Earthlife Africa
ELC	Environmental Liaison Committee
EMF	Electromagnetic Frequencies
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
EN	Endangered
EPR	European Pressurised Reactor also known as
	Evolutionary Power Reactor
EPSOC	Emergency Planning Steering and Oversight Committees
EPZ	Emergency Planning Zone
Eskom	Eskom Holdings Limited
EUR	European Utility Requirements
FBC	Fluidised Bed Combustion
FGM	Focus Group Meeting
FOB	Fish on Board
FSR	Final Scoping Report
GCR	Gas Cooled Reactor
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GHG	Green House Gas
GW	Gigawatt
GWh	Gigawatt hours
H ₂ O	Dihydrogen oxide (water)
На	Hectare
HBD	Headland Bypass Dune
HEU	High-Enriched Uranium
HIV	Human Immuno-deficiency Virus
HLW	High Level Waste
HPa	Hectopascal
HRSG	Heat Recovery Steam Generator
HSE	Health, Safety and Environment
HV	High Voltage
I&APs	Interested and affected parties
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICM	Integrated Coastal Management
IDP	Integrated Development Plan
IDZ	Industrial Development Zone
IEP	Integrated Energy Plan
IGCC	Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle
IIS	Integrated Investment Strategy
ILW	Intermediate Level Waste

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IPP IRP IRR IRWST ISEP ISO ITP IUCN IUCN SSC	Independent Power Producer Integrated Resource Planning Issues and Response Report In-containment Refueling Water Storage Tank Integrated Strategic Electricity Planning International Standards Organisation Integrated Transport Plan International Union for the Conservation of Nature International Union for the Conservation of Nature Species Survival Commission
kg	kilogram
Κł	Kilolitre
KLM	Kouga Local Municipality
km	Kilometre
KNPR	Koeberg Nuclear Power Station Reserve
KSW	Key Stakeholder Workshop
kW	Kilowatt
L/s	Litres per second
LEU	Low-Enriched Uranium
LILW	Low and Intermediate Level Waste
LL	Long Lived
LLW	Low Level Waste
LOS	Level of Service
LSA	Late Stone Age
LUPO	Land Use Planning Ordinance
LWCGMR	Light Water Cooled Graphite Moderated Reactor
m	Metre
M m ³	
	Cubic Metre
m ³ /day	Cubic Metres per day
Ма	Million years before present
MAE	Mean Annual Evaporation
mamsl	metres above mean sea level
MAP	Mean Annual Precipitation
MAR	Mean Annual Runoff
mbgl	metres below ground level milligram
mg mS	Millisiemen
MSL	Mean Sea Level
mSv	Millisievert
MTPPP	Medium Term Power Purchase Agreement
MW	Megawatt
MWe	Megawatt electrical
MWh	Megawatt hour
MWt	Megawatt thermal
MYPD	Multi-Year Price Determination
N2	National Road 2
NAMA	Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions
NBSAP	National Biodiversity Strategy Action Plan
NDM	Namakwa District Municipality

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NEA	Nuclear Energy Agency
NECSA	National Energy Council of South Africa
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)
NEM:AQA	National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 2004 (Act No. 39 of 2004)
NEM:PAA	National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No. 57 of 2003)
NEPAD	New Partnership for African Development
NERSA	National Energy Regulator of South Africa
NGO	Non-governmental Organisation
NIA	National Intelligence Agency
NIERP	National Integrated Energy Resources Plan
NIRP	National Integrated Resources Plan
NMBM	Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality
NNR	National Nuclear Regulator
NORM	Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material
NOx	Nitrogen oxides
NPS	Nuclear Power Station
NSBA	National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment
NSIP	Nuclear Site Investigation Programme
nSv/h	nano Sievert per hour
NT	Near Threatened
O ₂	Oxygen
OCB	Owner Controlled Boundary
OCGT	Open Cycle Gas Turbine
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OHS	Occupational Health and Safety
PAZ	Protective Action Zone
PBMR	Pebble Bed Modular Reactor
PCS	Passive Containment Cooling System
PGA	Peak Ground Acceleration
PGDS	Provincial Growth and Development Strategy
PHWMR	Pressurised Heavy Water Moderated Reactor
PM	Public Meeting
ppm	parts per million
PPP	Public Participation Process
ppt	parts per thousand
PRA	Probabilistic Risk Assessment
PSHA	Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis
PSM	Project Site Manager
PV	Photovoltaic
PWR	Pressurised Water Reactor
PXS	Passive Core Cooling System
RED	Regional Electricity Distributors
REFIT	Renewable Energy Feed in Tariff
RPV	Reactor Pressure Vessel
RTS	Return to Service
SA	South Africa
SADC	South African Democratic Countries
SAHRA	South African Heritage Resource Agency

SANParks	South African National Parks
SANS	South African National Standards
SAR	Safety Analysis Report
SBO	Station Blackout
SDF	Spatial Development Framework
SDP	Strategic Development Plan
SKEP	Succulent Karoo Ecosystem Programme
SL	Short Lived
SM	Site Manager
SMME	Small Medium and Micro Enterprise
SO ₂	Sulphur dioxide
SO ₂ SOx	Sulphur oxides
SSE	•
	Safe Shutdown Earthquake
SSEGM	Safe Shutdown Earthquake Ground Motion
SSHAC	Senior Seismic Hazard Analysis Committee
SSI	Stewart Scott International
SST	Sea Surface Temperature
STD	Sexually Transmitted Disease
STEP	Subtropical Thicket Environmental Programme
t	tonnes (metric)
t/h	tonnes per hour
TAC	Total Allowable Catch
TMG	Table Mountain Group
TMI	Three Mile Island
TWy	Terra Watt year
U_3O_8	Uranium oxide
UCG	Underground Coal Gasification
UCT	University of Cape Town
UF ₆	Uranium hexaflouride
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UPZ	Urgent Protective Action Zone
US NRC	United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
USA	United States of America
VES	Control Room Emergency Habitability Systems
VOCs	Volatile Organic Compounds
VU	Vulnerable
WBFC	Walker Bay Fynbos Conservancy
WCSDF	Western Cape Spatial Development Framework
WMA	Water Management Area
WSDPs	Water Services Development Plans
WWII	World War Two

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

AdvectionThe horizontal transport of air or atmospheric properties. Commonly used with temperatures, i.e., "warm air advection".Advection fogA type of fog caused by the horizontal movement of moist air over a cold surface and the consequent cooling of that air to below its dew point.AeolianTransported and deposited by wind. A rock formed by the solidification of Aeolian sediment is known as an aeolianite Different means of meeting the general purpose and requirements of the activity, which may include alternatives to - location, type, design, technology of operational aspects of the activity.
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Annulus The distance between two objects.
Anomaly Any departure from the norm, which may indicate the
presence of mineralization in the underlying bedrock in
geological terms.
Aquifer A geological formation capable of yielding economic quantities of water.
Barchanoid As of dunes. Immature mobile transverse dunes,
As of duries. Immature mobile transverse duries, unvegetated.
Bioregion An area constituting a natural ecological community with
characteristic flora, fauna, and environmental conditions
and bounded by natural rather than artificial borders.
Borehole A borehole is a deep and narrow shaft in the ground used
for extraction of fluid or gas reserves below the earth's
surface.
Brittle-ductile Transitional conditions between brittle and ductile or plasti
flow.
Cenozoic Last 65 million years; an era of geologic time from the
beginning of the Tertiary period (65 million years ago) to
the present. Its name is from Greek and means "new life."
Chlorophyll a The pigment that makes plants and algae green.
Measurement of chlorophyll a is used to determine the
quantity of algae in the water.
Coastal current Any more or less permanent or continuous directed
movement of ocean water that flows in one of the Earth's
oceans.
Cretaceous The final period of the Mesozoic era, spanning the time
between 145 and 65 million years ago.
Critically Endangered The status of a species that has satisfied the International
Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), also known as the World Conservation
Union, criteria that indicate that it faces as an extremely
high risk of extinction in the wild.
Crustaceans A class of articulated animals, having the skin of the body
generally more or less hardened by the deposition of
calcareous matter, breathing by means of gills. (Examples
Crab, Lobster, Shrimp, etc.).
Cultivated (of land or fields) No longer in the natural state; developed by human care
and for human use.
dBA Environmental noise measurements are measured in term
of dBA. The A weighting aims to correspond to the
frequency sensitivity of the human ear
Desalination A process that converts seawater or brackish water to fres

	water or an otherwise more usable condition through
	removal of salts and other dissolved solids.
Diffuse attenuation co-	Measure of how far the sun's radiance penetrates the
efficient	ocean at a wavelength of 490 nano metres (nm).
Dispatchable Resource	A resource whose electrical output is available at short
	notice and can be controlled or regulated to match the
	electrical energy requirements of the electric system, and is
	not affected by phenomena such as the time of day or
	weather conditions. Nuclear power and coal power are both dispatchable.
Dorbank	A hard subsurface soil horizon forms in arid/semi-arid
DOIDAIR	climates, through cementation by silica, often in association
	with calcium carbonate or iron oxides. It is often reddish-
	brown in colour, as has been found at Brazil and
	Schulpfontein.
Dune field	Descriptive of an area with numerous low hills or banks of
Dute	drifted (wind-borne) sand.
Dyke	A discordant intrusive body that is substantially longer than it is wide. Dikes are often steeply inclined or nearly vertical.
	A dyke is a tabular (sheet-like) igneous intrusion that cuts
	the surrounding strata at an angle.
Ecotone	A geographic boundary or transition zone between two
	different groups of plant or animal distributions containing
First some sof	characteristic species of each.
Embayment	An indentation of a shoreline, larger than a cove (small inlet) but smaller than a gulf (arm of a sea or ocean partly
	enclosed by land).
Endangered	The status of a species that has satisfied the IUCN criteria
	that indicate that it faces as a very high risk of extinction in
	the wild.
Endemic	In biology and ecology, endemic means exclusively native
-	to the biota of a specific place.
Environment	The surroundings within which humans exist and include biophysical, social and economic aspects.
Environmental Impact	An Environmental Assessment is required when an
Assessment	activity(ies) triggers a regulation(s) listed in Government
	Notices R 386 and R 387 in Government Gazette 28753
	dated 21 April 2006. Depending on the activity(ies) either a
	Basic Assessment (for activities listed in R 386) or a
	Scoping and Environment Impact Assessment (for
	activities listed in R 387) is undertaken. The construction of the proposed nuclear power station triggers regulations
	requiring a Scoping and Environmental Impact
	Assessment.
Environmental Impact	A positive or negative change to the environment that
	results from the effect of a construction activity. The impact
	may be a direct or indirect consequence of a construction
Ephemeral	activity. Short lived. Living or lasting only for a day, as certain
Lphemeral	plants or insects do.
Fault	A fault is a fracture or fracture zone, along which
	movement has taken place. Sudden movement along a
	fault produces earthquakes. Slow movement produces a
	seismic creep. A fault is a tectonic structure along which
	differential slippage of the adjacent earth materials has
	occurred parallel to the fracture plane. It is distinct from other types of ground disruptions such as landslides,
	fissures and craters. A fault may have gouge or breccia
	between its two walls and includes any associated
	monoclinal flexure or other similar geologic structural

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[feature.
Fission	The splitting of an atom into at least two other atoms and
	the release of a relatively large amount of energy.
Geomorphology	Geomorphology is the study of landforms, including their
0	origin and evolution, and the processes that shape them.
Gneiss	Rock formed by regional metamorphism in which bands or lenticles of granular minerals alternate with bands or
	lenticles characterised by minerals having flaky or elongate
	prismatic shapes.
Grabens	A depressed block of land bordered by parallel faults.
Greenhouse gases	Gases that increase the temperature of the earth's surface
_	as defined by the United Nations Framework Convention
	on Climate Change, which include inter alia
	chlorofluorocarbons, carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous
Groundwater flow	oxide. The movement of water through openings and pore spaces
Groundwater now	in rocks below the water table i.e. in the saturated zone.
	Groundwater naturally drains from higher lying areas to low
	lying areas such as rivers, lakes and the oceans. The rate
	of flow depends on the slope of the water table and the
	transmissivity of the geological formations.
Hazardous substance	Any substance that is of risk to health and safety, property
	or the environment. Hazardous substances have been
	classified under the SABS Code 0288: 'The Identification
Hazardous waste	and Classification of Dangerous Goods and Substances'. Any inorganic or organic element or compound that
	because of its toxicological, physical, chemical or persisting
	properties, may exercise detrimental acute or chronic
	impacts on human health or development. Hazardous
	wastes are classified in accordance with the 'Minimum
	Requirement for the Handling, Classification and Disposal
	of Hazardous Waste' published by the Department of
Hoovy water	Water Affairs and Forestry (1998).
Heavy water	Water containing a significantly greater proportion of heavy hydrogen (deuterium) atoms to ordinary hydrogen atoms
	than is found in ordinary (light) water. Heavy water is used
	to lower the energy of neutrons in a reactor.
Hectopascal	Unit of pressure used in meteorology. One hectopascal
-	equals 100 Pascals (1 hPa = 100 Pa).
Heritage site	A site that contains either archaeological artefacts, graves,
	buildings older than 60 years, meteorological or geological
High level waste	fossils etc. Radioactive waste that will either be the spent fuel itself (if
Inginievel waste	declared as a waste and intended to be disposed of as
	such), or the principal waste emanating from the
	reprocessing of spent fuel. While only 3-4 % of the volume
	of spent fuel is high-level waste, it holds 95 % of the
	radioactivity. It contains the highly radioactive fission
	products and some heavy elements with long-lived
	radioactivity.
Hummocking	Refers to lumpy terrain; or land that has an irregular shape;
	or a fertile, wooded area that is at a slightly higher elevation (less than 3 m or so) than nearby marshes.
Hydroperiod	The length of time (and seasonality) that water is present
	over the surface of the wetland.
Intergranular aquifer	Groundwater contained in intergranular interstices of
	sedimentary and weathered formations.
Intermediate level waste	Contains higher amounts of radioactivity and may require
	special containment. It typically comprises resins, chemical

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	sludges and reactor components, as well as contaminated
	materials from reactor decommissioning.
Invertebrate	Animals without backbones or internal bony skeletons. All
	animals except for the phylum Chordata (vertebrates) fall
	into this category, including insects, crustaceans, worms,
Imenicoschio	corals, and mollusks.
Irreplaceable	Impossible to replace.
Light water	Ordinary water composed of two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom.
Liquefaction	The process by which sediment that is very wet starts to
Liquotaotion	behave like a liquid. Liquefaction occurs because of the
	increased pore pressure and reduced effective stress
	between solid particles generated by the presence of liquid.
	It is often caused by severe shaking, especially that
	associated with earthquakes.
Load Shedding	An intentionally engineered electrical power outage caused
	by insufficient available resources to meet the prevailing
Low level waste	demand for electricity. It comprises paper, rags, tools, clothing, and filters etc.,
LOW IEVEL WASLE	which contain small amounts of mostly short-lived
	radioactivity. LLW is not dangerous to handle, but needs to
	be disposed of more sensitively than normal waste.
Mesozoic	Period from 65 –150 million years ago.
Neoproterozoic	The Neoproterozoic is the geological era from 1000 Ma to
	542 Ma (million years ago).
Near Threatened	The status of a species that does not satisfy the IUCN
	criteria for Vulnerable, Endangered or Critically
	Endangered, but is close to qualifying, or is likely to qualify for a threatened category in the near future.
Power outage	Equipment failure resulting when the supply of power fails.
Palaeontology	The study of prehistoric life forms on Earth through the
	examination of plant and animal fossils.
Palaeoseismic evidence	Refers to earthquakes recorded geologically, most of them
	unknown from human descriptions or seismograms.
	Geologic records of past earthquakes can include faulted
	layers of sediment and rock, injections of liquefied sand,
	landslides, abruptly raised or lowered shorelines, and tsunami deposits.
Palaeoseismology	The study of prehistoric earthquakes, especially their
1 alacescisillelegy	location, timing and size.
Parabolic (as of dunes)	Parallel dunes with trailing edges in opposite direction to
	the wind direction. Can be vegetated or unvegetated.
Peak ground acceleration	A measure of earthquake acceleration. Unlike the Richter
	magnitude scale Richter magnitude scale, it is not a
	measure of the total size of the earthquake, but rather how
Plaiatagana	hard the earth shakes in a given geographic area.
Pleistocene	A geologic period usually thought of as the Ice Age, which began about 1.6 million years ago and ended with the
	melting of the large continental glaciers creating the
	modern climatic pattern about 11,500 years ago.
Pliocene	A geological epoch that began five million years ago and
	ended 1.8 million years ago; a period of geologic time
	seven to two million years ago.
Pollution	The introduction into the environment of any substance by
	the action of man that is, or results in, significant harmful
Bronotol	effects to man or the environment.
Prenatal Pressurized Water Reactor	Existing or occurring before birth. Is moderated and cooled with light water that is not boiled
(Nuclear technology type)	in the reactor. The turbine is driven by steam from the
(Rubbal Leonitology Lype)	in the reducer. The tarbine is unver by steam norm the

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	steam generator.
Quaternary	The youngest of the geological periods, extending from the end of the Tertiary (qv) 1.6 million years ago up to the present. It is divided into the Pleistocene, and the Holocene, which is the last 10,000 years.
Radiation (nuclear)	Energy that is released by radioactive atoms such as uranium. This type of radiation is called ionizing radiation as it contains sufficient energy to remove electrons from within the material they penetrate, it is this ability that makes this type of radiation harmful to life.
Radioactive waste	Radioactive material in gaseous, liquid or solid form, for which no further use is envisaged and which has the radioactivity in excess of background or exemption levels.
Radionuclide	Any species of an atom that is radioactive.
Relictual	Ancient surviving species, typically restricted to moist, cold habitats, but occasionally arid-adapted.
Renewable resources	A natural resource qualifies as a renewable resource if it is replenished by natural processes at a rate comparable to its rate of consumption by humans or other users. Resources such as solar radiation, tides, and winds are <i>perpetual resources</i> that are in no danger of being used in excess of their long-term availability.
Rift	A long, narrow crack in the entire thickness of the Earth's crust, which is bounded by normal faults on either side or forms as the crust is pulled apart.
Sea level	The level of the ocean's surface. Sea level at a particular location changes regularly with the tides and irregularly due to conditions such as wind and currents. Other factors that contribute to such fluctuation include water temperature and salinity, air pressure, seasonal changes, the amount of stream runoff, and the amount of water that is stored as ice or snow.
Sea state	A scale that categorizes the force of progressively higher seas by wave height. This scale is mathematically co- related to the Pierson-Moskowitz scale and the relationship of wind to waves.
Seismic hazard	The physical effects such as ground shaking, faulting, land sliding, and liquefaction that underlie the earthquake's potential danger.
Seismicity	Earthquake activity.
Seismotectonic region	A region within which the active geologic and seismic processes are considered to be relatively uniform.
Spent Fuel	Nuclear fuel elements that are discharged from a nuclear reactor after they have been used to produce power. Spent fuel is thermally hot and highly radioactive.
Stone Age	The earliest technological period in human culture when tools were made of stone, wood, bone, or antlers. Metal was unknown. The dates of the Stone Age vary considerably from one region to another.
Stratification	The existence or formation of distinct layers in a body of water identified by differences in thermal or salinity characteristics (e.g. densities) or by oxygen or nutrient content.
Taxon	A means of referring to a set of animals or plants of related classification. Plural form of taxon is taxa.
Tertiary	Period from 65 -1.6 million years ago; The first period of the Cenozoic era (after the Mesozoic era and before the Quaternary period), spanning the time between 65 and 1.8 million years ago.

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Threatened	Term used in its formal sense to denote one of the three
	categories of threat, as defined by the IUCN, viz., Critically
	Endangered, Endangered and Vulnerable.
Transpressional	Refers to a specific form of geological shearing. Geological
_	shears relate to the structure of the geology, rocks and
	faults.
Uranium	A naturally radioactive and very dense element. Natural
	uranium contains 0.7 % of the isotope Uranium-235,
	needed for fission. Uranium enriched to 3-5 % in the
	isotope Uranium-235, is the principal nuclear fuel material
	used in today's nuclear power reactors.
Vertebrate	An animal with a backbone; includes mammals, birds,
	reptiles, amphibians, and fishes.
Volatile organic compounds	Organic chemicals all contain the element carbon (C);
(VOCs)	organic chemicals are the basic chemicals found in living
	things and in products derived from living things such as
	coal, petroleum, and refined petroleum products.
Vulnerable	The status of a species that has satisfied the IUCN criteria
	that indicate that it faces as a high risk of extinction in the
	wild.
Wetland	Lands where saturation with water is the dominant factor
	determining the nature of soil development and the types of
	plant and animal communities living in the soil and on its
	surface.