

18 October 2016

Dear Stakeholder

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
SALDANHA BAY NETWORK STRENGTHENING PROJECT, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE
DEA REF NO: 14/12/16/3/3/2/926**

INVITATION TO PUBLIC MEETING

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As part of these environmental studies, a public participation process is being undertaken to allow Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) an opportunity to comment on the proposed project. You are hereby invited to attend a **Public Meeting** to be held as follows:

Date: Thursday 3 November 2016

Time: 14:00 – 16:00

Venue: Langebaan Auditorium, corner of Oostewal Street and Bree Street, Langebaan

The purpose of the meeting is to provide you with more information regarding the proposed project (including technical details, project process and timeframes etc.), to provide a summary of the findings of the draft EIA Report, to invite comment on the proposed project, and to further to discuss possible issues of specific concern to you which may need to be addressed. Please note that the draft EIA Report will be made available for a 30-day comment period in due course. Kindly confirm your attendance by Wednesday 2 November 2016.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require additional information and/or clarification regarding the proposed project. Our team welcomes your participation and looks forward to your involvement throughout this process.

Kind Regards

MRS GABRIELE WOOD
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND SOCIAL CONSULTANT
SAVANNAH ENVIRONMENTAL

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Body: Dear Stakeholder

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries in this regard.

Kind regards,

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06 September 2016

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Tel: 083-252-1162

Dear Mr Johannes Gilliaume Steyn

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
SALDANHA BAY NETWORK STRENGTHENING PROJECT, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE**

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Eskom has appointed Savannah Environmental, as the independent environmental consultants, to undertake the required EIA Process to identify and assess all the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed project, and propose appropriate mitigation and management measures in an Environmental Management Programme (EMPr). As part of these environmental studies, I&APs will be actively involved through the public involvement process also being undertaken by Savannah Environmental.

You and/or the organisation which you represent have been identified as a directly affected or adjacent property owner that could be impacted by the proposed project. The EIA Regulations require that written notice is given to the owner or person in control of the land as well as occupiers of the affected and adjacent properties, which could be impacted by the project, are informed of the environmental assessment process. In this regard, please could you kindly inform any other persons (tenants, employees, farm managers and workers etc.) residing on your property of this EIA process. Should you or any other occupier of your property have an interest in this project, please register yourselves as Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) and note your formal comments by sending written correspondence in this regard. By registering on the project database, you will receive all information relating to the project and will be provided with an opportunity to provide comment and input into the EIA process.

Please could you kindly submit your formal comments by sending written correspondence in this regard. All comments received will be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report which will be submitted to the DEA. Comments can be made as written submission via fax, post or email.

Our team welcomes your participation and looks forward to your involvement throughout this process.

Kind Regards

MRS GABRIELE WOOD
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Gabriele Wood

From: Berna Benecke <bernab@telkomsa.net>
Sent: 08 August 2016 15:16
To: 'Gabriele Wood'
Cc: 'Pamela Sidambe'
Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanha Bay Strengthening Project

Gabriele – thanks.

I will have to take this to the relevant parties involved, as it seems like the faming will be interrupted.

Can you enlarge the picture and show the weighbridge and confirm these are the correct figures after the 80sqh which was sold to Gavin Stighlingh from the original 1/187 last year ? Will be good if you can show this as well.

Regards

Berna

From: Gabriele Wood [mailto:gabriele@savannahsa.com]
Sent: Monday, 08 August 2016 2:26 PM
To: 'Berna Benecke'
Cc: 'Pamela Sidambe'
Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanha Bay Strengthening Project

Dear Berna

Please see the updated map showing the properties owned by the Pieterse Barend Trust (highlighted in yellow). These include:

- Langeberg 1/187
- Langeberg RE/187
- Langeberg 4/187

The blue block (Transmission sub-station Site D) is one of the sub-station options being considered within the EIA and is proposed to be located on Portion 1 of Langeberg 187.

Kind regards

Gabriele Wood

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Cc: 'Pamela Sidambe' <pamela@savannahsa.com>
Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanha Bay Strengthening Project

Gabriele – please highlighted all Barend Pieterse portions in yellow (I see portion with blue square without any name located)

From: Gabriele Wood [mailto:gabriele@savannahsa.com]
Sent: Friday, 05 August 2016 2:05 PM
To: bernab@telkomsa.net
Cc: 'Pamela Sidambe'
Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanha Bay Strengthening Project

Dear Berna

Your correspondence with my colleague, Pamela below refers. Please find attached a map showing the proposed power line route and substation location options in relation to the remaining extent and portion 1 of the farm Langeberg 187. Please could you kindly return the attached reply form at your earliest convenience so that I may update the database with the correct contact details.

Savannah Environmental has been appointed by Eskom to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment process for the Saldanha Bay Network Strengthening project. A Scoping Report was prepared and accepted by the Department of Environmental Affairs in July 2016. The Scoping Report is available for download from our website: <http://www.savannahsa.com/projects/project.php?project=434>

We have commenced with the EIA phase of this project and the appointed specialists, which includes Pamela from our offices, will be undertaking their site visits to compile their assessment reports. Public participation meetings are planned to take place in September 2016.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries in this regard.

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Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanah Bay Strengthening Project

Dear Berna,

Thank you for your feedback. All your queries have been forwarded to Gabriele Wood, our public participation consultant. She will be in touch to discuss all the other issues regarding the project. I only deal with the social related issues.

Kind Regards,

Pamela Sidambe

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Subject: RE: Eskom Saldanah Bay Strengthening Project

Pamela – send me a map showing the 2 portions of the farms on both sides of the Weskus Road and I will discuss with the Trustees

Kind regards

From: Pamela Sidambe [<mailto:pamela@savannahsa.com>]
Sent: Friday, 05 August 2016 12:19 PM
To: bernab@telkomsa.net
Subject: Eskom Saldanah Bay Strengthening Project

Dear Berna,

As per our telephone conversation, I am a social consultant at Savannah Environmental. We are in the EIA phase for the Eskom Saldanah Bay network Strengthening Project and we would like to meet with all impacted and affected landowners.

I am proposing the meeting for the 11th of August at 1230 to about 1330 at a preferred venue, either at the venue or somewhere within the area or Cape Town. If not possible to meet between the 10th and 11th when I am in Saldanah, please let me know if we can have a telephone discussion at a convenient time.

The EIA report will be on public display for your reviews sometime in September.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

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AVAILABILITY OF THE EIA REPORT FOR REVIEW

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Subject: PROPOSED SALDANHA BAY NETWORK STRENGTHENING PROJECT, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE - AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT EIA REPORT FOR REVIEW

Body: Dear Stakeholder

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd is proposing the Saldanha Bay Network Strengthening Project which involves the proposed construction of a new Distribution substation (Dx), Transmission substation (Tx), the decommissioning of the Blouwater substation; the construction of 2x 400kV Power Lines and associated upgrade and extension of the Aurora Substation. The proposed Saldanha Bay Network Strengthening is located in the Saldanha Bay area, approximately 130km north west of Cape Town, in the Western Cape Province. Savannah Environmental has been appointed by Eskom to undertake the required Environmental Impact Assessment process required for this project. The application reference number is: 14/12/16/3/3/2/926.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been prepared by Savannah Environmental and is available for review and comment by Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs). The 30-day period for public review is from **18 November 2016 - 09 January 2017** (the 30-day review period excludes the days of reckoning from 15 December 2016 – 05 January 2017 as per Regulation 3(2) of the EIA Regulations, 2014). Kindly refer to the attached notification letter for further information in this regard.

Kind regards

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Dear Stakeholder

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS
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**NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
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As part of the envisaged developments in the Saldanha Bay area, Eskom has been prompted to re-assess the capability of the existing electricity network in the area in order to meet the forecasted load requirements from industrial customers, the Industrial Development Zone (IDZ), local distributors and also to facilitate the integration of renewable generation. From the load forecast, it is evident that there will be a constraint at Aurora Substation. The projected new load of approximately 200 MVA that will be realised in the area together with the natural load growth will increase Aurora Substation demand from 517 MVA to approximately 890 MVA in year 2030. The firm capacity in the area will be exceeded in 2018 if the additional loads are to be supplied from Aurora Substation. The transformation capacity is also insufficient to evacuate all of the potential renewable generation planned in the area, amounting to 2 885 MW.

The scope of Saldanha Bay network strengthening project includes the following:

- » Construction of a new 400/132kV Transmission Substation in the Saldanha Bay area with a planned capacity of 3 x 500 MVA transformers. The transmission substation footprint will be 600m x 600m.
- » Construction of a new 132/66kV Distribution Substation near the current Blouwater Substation in the Saldanha Bay area and decommissioning of the existing Blouwater Substation. The new distribution substation footprint will be 120m x 120m.
- » The construction of two 400kV power lines (approximately 35 - 40 km) from the Aurora Substation to the new proposed distribution and transmission substations. A servitude of 55m is required for each power line.
- » Construction of 3 x double circuit 132kV power lines to connect the new distribution substation to the new transmission substation.
- » Replacing two of the four existing 250 MVA 400/132kV transformers with 2 x 500 MVA transformers at Aurora Substation.
- » Establishing 2 x 132 kV feeder bays around Aurora Substation.

The proposed Distribution substation (Dx), Transmission substation (Tx) and power lines will be located in the Saldanha Bay area, approximately 130km north west of Cape Town, in the Western Cape Province. The location of the proposed substations and power lines will be within 20km from the coast. The closest towns are Saldanha Bay and Vredenburg. The following properties will potentially be affected by the construction of the proposed power lines and substations: Driehoeks Fontein RE/176; Adjoining Springfontein 174; Yzerfontein 3/178; Yezerfontein 8/178; Farm 1162; Zoutekuilen RE/179; Waschkliip 183; Everts Hope RE/190; Langeberg 1/187; Langeberg RE/187; Langeberg RE/188; Langeberg 6/188; Langeberg 4/187; Uyekraal 3/189; Uyekraal RE/189; Uyekraal 1/189.

Alternative substation sites and power line corridors have been identified within a broader study area. These, together with any other feasible alternatives identified through the EIA process, have been assessed and preferred alternatives recommended for implementation.

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Body: Dear Stakeholder

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process for the Saldanha Bay Network Strengthening Project (DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/926) currently being undertaken by Savannah Environmental on behalf of Eskom SOC Limited has reference.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries in this regard.

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