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NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION COMMENTING PERIOD FOR THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORTS

INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTY (I&AP) AND PROVIDE COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

PROPOSED GRIDLINE INFRASTRUCTURE TO SERVICE MULTIPLE SOLAR PV FACILITIES A PART OF THE APPROVED HERCULES PV SOLAR CLUSTER LOCATED NEAR DE AAR, EMTHANJENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

LOCATION: Access to the proposed development site can either be obtained through the existing road leading from the N10-Highway, De Aar, Emthanjeni Local Municipality, Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality.

DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION: Hercules Solar PV1 (Pty) Ltd, Hartebeest Hoek Solar PV1 (Pty) Ltd, Roodekraal Solar PV1 (Pty) Ltd and Jupiter Solar PV1 (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of four (4) overhead gridline infrastructure developments to service the respective approved solar facilities (located on the remainder of Farm Riet Fountain No. 6, the remainder of the Farm Hartebeest Hoek 31, and the remainder of the Farm Roode Kraal 28, whilst obtaining access via existing access points along the N10-Highway). The proposed developments will intersect multiple properties and will have a transmission capacity of 132 kV each.

LISTED ACTIVITIES:

Basic Assessment Processes are being followed in terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended (GNR. 324 – 327 of 2017), as part of the application for Environmental Authorisation submitted to the Northern Cape Department: Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform. The proposed development triggers the EIA Regulations of 2014, as amended (GNR 326 of 2017; GNR 517 of 2021), in terms of:

Listing Notice 1 (GNR No. R. 327) Activities 1, 12, 19, 24, 27, 28 & 48;

Listing Notice 3 (GNR No. R. 324) Activities 14 & 18.

OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE: Potential Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register to obtain the Draft Basic Assessment Reports for information purposes and provide lay comment on this proposal. I&APs must provide their comments together with their name, contact details (preferred method of notification, e.g., e-mail or fax number) & indicate any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest they have in the application to the contact person indicated below. Requests for registration &/or comment must reach us within the 30-day public participation period provided below. All private information will be managed in line with the POPI Act, 2013.

I & AP REGISTRATION AND COMMENT PERIOD: 25 February 2026 – 27 March 2026

FOR MORE INFORMATION: The Draft Basic Assessment Reports and associated documents will be available on the SES website (www.sesc.net) under the “public documents” section. A physical copy of the document can be found at the De Aar Library opposite the intersection of Amelia Street and Station Street, De Aar.

Alternatively, please contact **Ms. Madeleine Knoetze** / Tel: 021 554 5195 / Email: madeleine@sesc.net / P.O Box 443, Milnerton, 7435.





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KENNISGEWING VAN PUBLIEKE DEELNAME EN KOMMENTAARLEWERINGSPROSES VIR VIER KONSEP BASIESE ASSESSERINGSVERSLAE

**UITNODIGING OM AS 'N BELANGHEBENDE & GEAFFEKTEERDE PARTY (B&GP) TE REGISTREER EN OM KOMMENTAAR
OP DIE VOORGESTELDE PROJEEK TE LEWER.**

**DIE VOORGESTELDE KRAGLYNINFRASTRUKTUUR OM VELE SON-PV-AANLEGGINGS TE DIEN, AS DEEL VAN DIE
GOEDGEKEURDE HERCULES PV-SONKRAGKLUSTER GELEË NABY DE AAR, EMTHANJENI PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT,
PIXLEY KA SEME-DISTRIKSMUNISIPALITEIT, NOORD-KAAP PROVINSIE.**

LIGGING: Toegang tot die voorgestelde ontwikkelingsterrein kan verkry word deur die bestaande pad wat vanaf die N10-Hoofweg lei.

BESKRYWING VAN DIE ONTWIKKELING: Hercules Solar PV1 (Edms) Bpk, Hartebeest Hoek Solar PV1 (Edms) Bpk, Roodekraal Solar PV1 (Edms) Bpk en Jupiter Solar PV1 (Edms) Bpk stel die ontwikkeling van vier (4) oorhoofse netwerkinfrastruktuurontwikkelings voor om die onderskeie goedgekeurde sonkragfasiliteite te bedien (geleë op die res van Plaas Riet Fountain No. 6, die res van die Plaas Hartebeest Hoek 31, en die res van die Plaas Roode Kraal 28, terwyl toegang verkry word via bestaande toegangspunte langs die N10-snelweg). Die voorgestelde ontwikkelings sal verskeie eiendomme kruis en sal 'n transmissiekapasiteit van 132 kV elk hê

GELYSDE AKTIWITEITE: Basiese Assesseringsprosesse word ondeneem in terme van die 2014 Omgewingsimpakbeoordelings (OIB) Regulasies, soos aangepas (GNR. 324 – 327 van 2017), as deel van die Aansoek tot Omgewingsgoedkeuring na die Noord-Kaapse Departement van Landbou, Omgewingsake, Landelike Ontwikkeling en Grondhervorming. Die voorgestelde ontwikkeling doen aansoek om goedkeuring te verkry in terme van die volgende gelyste aktiwiteite in terme van die OIB Regulasies van 2014, soos aangepas (GNR 326 van 2017; GNR 517 of 2021):

Regeringskennisgewing Regulasie 327: Gelyste aktiwiteite 1, 12, 14, 19, 24, 27, 28 en 48;

Regeringskennisgewing Regulasie 324: Gelyste aktiwiteite 14 & 18.

GELEENTHEID OM DEEL TE NEM: Potensiële Belanghebbende & Geaffekteerde Partye (B&GP) word hiermee uitgenooi om te registreer om die Konsep Basieseassesseringsverslae te ontvang vir inligtingsdoeleindes, en daarvolgens kommentaar op die voorstel te lewer. B&GPs moet hulle kommentaar saam met hulle name, kontak besonderhede (insluitend die gekose metode van kennisgewing, e.g. epos, of selfoon) & aanduiding van belang (direkte besigheid, finansiële, persoonlike of enige ander belang) in die aansoek aan ons deurstuur. Navraag om as B&GP te registreer en/of kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde projek moet ons binne die 30-dae publieke deelname periode, wat hieronder gestipuleer is, beryk om in ag geneem te word. Alle private inligting sal bestuur word in lyn met die POPI Wet, 2013.

B&GP REGISTRASIE EN KOMMENTAARLEWERING PERIODE: 25ste Februarie 2026 – 27 Maart 2026

VIR MEER INLIGTING: Die Konsep Basieseassesseringsverslae en geassosieerde dokumente sal beskikbaar gemaak word op SES se webtuiste (www.sesc.net) onder die 'publieke dokumente' ('public documents') seksie. 'n Fisiese afskrif van die dokument kan gevind word by die De Aar-biblioteek oorkant die kruising van Ameliasstraat en Stasiesstraat, De Aar.

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