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PER FACSIMILE / MAIL

Dear Ms Jodas

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON A SITE NORTH-EAST OF DE AAR, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Department confirms having received the Application Form and Declaration of Interest submitted by you on 7 October 2010 for environmental authorisation for the abovementioned project. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010.

The Application Form is accepted on condition that the original proof of consultation with the landowner be forwarded to the Department once received.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely



Ms Lize McCourt

Chief Director: Environmental Impact Management
Department of Environmental Affairs

Letter signed by: Ms Hilda Bezuidenhout

Designation: Assistant Director: Environmental Impact Evaluation

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Dear Ms Jodas

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY NEAR DE AAR, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Department confirms having received the amended pages of the Application Form (amending project title) on 20 April 2011 for the abovementioned project.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely

Ms Sibusisiwe Hlela
Acting Chief Director: Environmental Impact Management
Department of Environmental Affairs
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APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY NEAR DE AAR, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Department confirms having received the amended Application Form on 22 July 2011 for the abovementioned project.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ishaam Abader

Deputy Director-General: Environmental Quality and Protection
Department of Environmental Affairs

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Date: 28/07/2011



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Dear Karen

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY IN DE AAR, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Final Scoping Report (FSR) and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated June 2011 and received by the Department on 13 June 2011 refers.

The Department has evaluated the submitted FSR and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated June 2011 and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2010. The FSR is hereby accepted by the Department in terms of regulation 30(1)(a) of the EIA Regulations, 2010.

You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment as required in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2010.

Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR). This includes but is not limited to Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries. Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the Final EIR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.

In addition, the following amendments and additional information are required for the EIR:

- a) A construction and operational phase Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) that includes mitigation and monitoring measures must be included in the EIR.

The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of regulation 67 with regard to the time period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations, and regulations 56 and 57 with regard to the allowance of a comment period for interested and affected parties on all reports submitted to the competent authority for decision-making. The reports referred to are listed in regulation 56(3a-3h).

Please ensure that the Final EIR includes at least one A3 regional map of the area and the locality maps included in the final EIR illustrate the different proposed alignments and above ground storage of fuel. The maps must be of acceptable quality and as a minimum, have the following attributes:

- Maps are relatable to one another;
- Cardinal points;
- Co-ordinates;
- Legible legends;
- Indicate alternatives;
- Latest land cover;
- Vegetation types of the study area; and
- A3 size colour locality map.

Further, it must be reiterated that, should an application for Environmental Authorisation be subject to the provisions of Chapter II, Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999, then this Department will not be able to make nor issue a decision in terms of your application for Environmental Authorisation pending a letter from the pertinent heritage authority categorically stating that the application fulfils the requirements of the relevant heritage resources authority as described in Chapter II, Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999.

You are requested to submit two (2) copies of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to the Department as per regulation 34(1)(b) of the EIA Regulations, 2010. Please submit at least one electronic copy (CD/DVD) of the complete final report with the hard copy documents.

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely



Mr Ishaain Abader
DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL: ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND PROTECTION

Department of Environmental Affairs

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Re: Application for Environment Authorisation PV Solar Energy.

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Please find the attached response from the Department. Thanks



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Dear Sir/Madam

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: PROPOSED ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY, NEAR DE AAR, EMTHANJENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY OF PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE,

We confirm having received the Final Scoping Report of the abovementioned application for environmental authorization documents on 11th July 2011.

The application has been assigned the reference number NC/NAT/EIA/PIX/DE AARI/2011. Kindly quote this reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application. Please be advised that the application form has been accepted by the Department.

Please draw the applicant's attention to the fact that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorization being granted by the Department.

Yours faithfully

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EIA Administrator: Impact Management

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Dear Sir

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION, FINAL SCOPING REPORT: THE PROPOSED ILLANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY, NEAR DE AAR, NORTHERN CAPE.

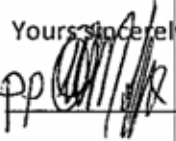
The Environmental Quality Management Section of the Department of Environment and Nature Conservation has reviewed the document (The Final Scoping Report). This Department does not have any objections with regard to the above-mentioned application, provided the applicant adheres with the monitoring and mitigation measures outlined in the document.

- Applicant must adhere to the Section 27 (18) of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), 25 of 1999, no person may destroy, damage, deface, excavate, alter, remove from its original position, subdivide or change the planning status of any heritage site without a permit issued by the heritage resources authority responsible for protection of such site.
- The significance of the potential visual impacts on sensitive receptors be assessed in further details in the EIA Process. Additional spatial analyses must be undertaken in order to create a visual impact index that will further aid in determining potential visual impacts.

Please draw the applicant attention that the proposed project must not commence prior to Environmental Authorization being granted by the competent authority DEA.

Please do not hesitate to contact the department should you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely



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Mr. S.G. Mbanjwa

Deputy Director: Environmental Quality Management

Date: 11th July 2011