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FUTURES ZA**

September 2011

Dear Stakeholder

**PROPOSED ILANGA LETHEMBA PV SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY, NEAR DE
AAR, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE
(DEA Ref No. 12/12/20/2048)**

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Solar Capital (Pty) Ltd is proposing to establish a commercial photovoltaic solar energy facility as well as associated infrastructure on a site located approximately 7 km northeast of De Aar, in the Northern Cape Province. The study area is situated within the jurisdiction of the Emthanjeni Local Municipality. The facility will be referred to as the **Ilanga Lethemba PV Solar Energy Facility** and will have a generating capacity of up to **300 MW** which will be developed in phases over an area of approximately 787 ha in extent. It is envisaged that **75 MW** will be installed in a **first phase** and the remaining three phases will be developed at **75 MW** each.

PUBLIC FEEDBACK MEETING

All interested and affected parties are invited to attend a public feedback meeting to be held on 27 September 2011, 18h00 at the De Aar Country Club.

DRAFT EIA REPORT AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The Draft EIA Report has been made available for public review from 16 September 2011- 17 October 2011 at the following locations:

De Aar Library

Emthanjeni local Municipality Offices (68 Voortrekker Street, De Aar)

www.savannahSA.com

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to the contact person below.

Comments can be made as written submission via fax, post or e-mail.

Please submit your comments to
Shawn Johnston of Sustainable Futures ZA PO Box 749, Rondebosch, Cape Town, 7701 Fax: 086 510 2537 E-mail: swjohnston@mweb.co.za

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.

Yours sincerely,

Shawn Johnston
Process Facilitator

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Dear Michael and Sindisile,

As per our telephone conversation yesterday, please find attached a formal request to meet with both the Pixley ka Seme District Municipality and Emthanjeni Local Municipality teams working on renewable energy in your local municipal and district.

As indicated on the telephone yesterday, the SolarCapital Solar Energy EIA has been excelerated and will be submitted to the National Department of Environmental Affairs in october. Please note this is the project which is lead by Dr. Danny Jordaan and Dr. Mamphele Ramphele. We will be accompanied by some of the senior executives of SolarCapital for this round of focus group meetings and public meeting.

Micheal and Sindisile, can we have one meeting with both technical teams from the Emthanjeni LM and Pixley ka Seme DM at 14:30 on Tuesday, 27 September 2011 at the offices of the District Municipality?

Sindisile, thank you for indicating your availability to meet with our teams.

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