

Cape EAPrac

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV FACILITY AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM.

Notice is hereby given of a Public Participation Process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No 107 of 1998) and the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA)(No.25 of 1999).

Applications for a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting process have been submitted to the National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment for the proposed Kareekloof Solar PV Energy Facility, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and Associated Infrastructure. The PV Facilities, BESS and Associated Infrastructure are situated on Portion 1 of the farm Bas Berg 88, Portion 2 of the farm Koppy Alleen 83 and Portions 6, 11, 16 & 17 of the farm Karee Kloof 85 situated near De Aar in the Northern Cape Province.

Proponents: Kareekloof Energy (Pty) Ltd, Environmental Consultant: Cape EAPrac

Proposal PV Facilities: It is the intention of the proponent, as a Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers to develop a Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Facility of up to 900 Megawatts, with associated infrastructure including on site substations, auxiliary buildings, inverter stations, battery energy storage systems, access and internal roads, laydown areas, perimeter fences and security infrastructure on the abovementioned property.

The procedures for a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting Process in terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations are being followed for this proposed project. The following activities, in terms of Government Notice R983, R984 & R985 are applicable to the proposed development: **GN R983 Activities:** 11(i), 12(ii)(c), 14, 19, 27(ii), 28(ii) & 48. GN R984 Activities: 1, 4, &15. **GN R985 Activities:** 4(i)(ii)(aa), 10(i)(ii), 12(i)(i)&(ii), 14(i)(ii)(c)(i)(ff), &18(i)(II)(aa).

A DRAFT SCOPING REPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR A 30 DAY REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD FROM 29 SEPTEMBER 2023 – 30 OCTOBER 2023.

In order to be **registered** as an **Interested and Affected Party** (I&AP), individuals are requested to respond to this notice by submitting their complete contact details and any comment on the Draft Scoping Report to Cape EAPrac in writing on or before 30 October 2023. Online registration forms and copies of the Draft Scoping Reports will be available on the Cape EAPrac website: www.cape-eaprac.co.za. Should any parties not have access to this online platform, they should contact to Cape EAPrac, who will provide an alternative means to access physical copies of the available information.

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