

## NEMA AND NWA PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

### **THE PROPOSED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION PLANT AND ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGE FACILITY, N14, AKKERBOOM, BETWEEN KAKAMAS AND KEIMOES, NORTHERN CAPE**

Notice is hereby given of the intention to submit an application for environmental authorisation and the public participation process, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended ("NEMA"), Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014, as well as a Water Use License Application (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998)(NWA). The proposed solar PV renewable energy plant and electric vehicle recharge facility includes activities listed in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014.

EnviroAfrica cc has been appointed by Zero Carbon Charge to undertake a NEMA application process for Environmental Authorisation for the proposed solar facility.

#### **Application for environmental authorization to undertake the following listed activities\* in terms of NEMA EIA Regulations 2014:**

Government Notice R327 (Listing Notice 1): Activity No. **1, 12, 24, 27, 28, 67**

Government Notice R324 (Listing Notice 3): Activity No. **4, 12, 14, 26**

#### **Application in terms of NWA: Sections 21 (c) and (i)\*.**

*\*Please note that the listed activities above may change during the course of the NEMA Application process. Registered I&APs will be notified of any changes.*

**Project Description & Location:** It is proposed that a solar photovoltaic (PV) plant, electric vehicle recharge facility, battery energy storage system, ablution facilities, shop/farmstall, including associated infrastructure, be developed on Portion 47 of Farm No. 466, Kai! Garib. An area of approximately 9ha will be assessed. The proposed site is located on the northern side of the N14, approximately 15km west of Keimoes, and 21km east of Kakamas.

Site co-ordinates (approximate central point): 28°44' 18.30"S, 20°49' 32.00"E.

**Description of Alternatives:** Due to the strategic placement required for the renewable electric vehicle charging facilities and other renewable energy developments/proposed developments, alternative sites do not exist. However, alternative options which include inter alia alternative PV technology, layout options and the option of not proceeding with the proposed development at all (the No-Go option) will be considered and assessed in the Basic Assessment Report (BAR). The BAR will include specialist impact reports and will undergo further public participation.

**Public Participation:** Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are hereby notified of the applications and invited to register (in writing) and/or provide initial comments and identify any issues, concerns or opportunities relating to either, or all of, the projects to the contact details provided below, **on or before 08 August 2023** in terms of the environmental aspects (NEMA Application) and **on or before 11 September 2023** for water related issues (NWA WULA Application). In order to register or submit comment, I&APs should refer to the project name/s, and provide their name, address & contact details (*indicating your preferred method of notification*) and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest which they have in the application. You are also requested to pass this information to any person you feel should be notified.

**Please note** that only Registered I&APs will be notified of the availability of reports and other written submissions made (or to be made) to the Department by the applicant, and be entitled to comment on these reports and submissions; will be notified of the outcome of the application, the reasons for the decision, and that an appeal may be lodged against a decision; and will be notified of the applicant's intention to appeal the decision, and where and for what period the appeal submission will be available for inspection.

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 **Proposed Site**

**ENVIROAFRICA / ZCC  
REFERENCE NO.:**

**C-N014-08**

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