

## NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED ST HELENA COMMUNITY WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT - WESTERN CAPE

Notice is hereby given that Just Energy in association with the Seeland Development Trust has submitted an application for environmental authorisation with the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, June 2010 - GNR 544, GNR 545 & GNR 546, for the proposed St Helena Community wind farm development.

The proposed development involves the establishment of 10 to 30 wind turbines for the purpose of harnessing wind energy for electricity generation. Associated infrastructure for the operation of the wind farm includes electrical cables, powerlines, a proposed new substation, access roads, wind farm control room and a temporary construction lay down area. The proposed site (owned by Seeland Development Trust) is located on Langeklip Farm (Erf 47), approximately 5 km east of St Helena Bay and 3km west of Laingville with an extent of 744 hectares.

**Arcus GIBB (Pty) Ltd (GIBB) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake a full EIA process for the project.**

**Public Involvement:** All Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by:

Registering written comments on the abovementioned project to GIBB. Comments should include the I&APs name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application, and can be submitted by post, fax or email to **Mr Jan-Willem de Jager** (details provided below).

Attend the following public open days:

<b>Velddrif Town Hall, Velddrif</b>	<b>4 May</b>	<b>16h00 - 19h00</b>
<b>Laingville Community Centre, Laingville</b>	<b>5 May</b>	<b>16h00 - 19h00</b>
<b>Louville Community Hall, Vredenburg</b>	<b>6 May</b>	<b>16h00 - 19h00</b>

Commenting on the Scoping Report which is available at the following public venues from **5 April to 19 May 2011** (40 days comment period):

<b>VELDDRIF PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	<b>VREDENBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	<b>LAINGVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>
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GIBB will distribute further information and correspondence on the project and associated EIA processes to all **registered** I&APs and provide further opportunities for comments.

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## KENNISGEWING VAN OMGEWINGSINVLOEDBEPALING VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE ST HELENA GEMEENSKAPS WINDPLAAS ONTWIKKELING, WESTELIKE PROVINSIE

Kennis word hiermee gegee ingevolge die Omgewingsimpakbepaling regulasies, gepubliseer in Staatskennisgewing R544, R545 en R546 (Junie 2010) onder die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (1998), dat Just Energy, in samewerking met die Seeland Ontwikkelings Trust, 'n aansoek ingehandig het by die Nasionale Departement Omgewingsake om 'n Omgewingsimpakbepaling (OIB) proses te onderneem vir die voorgestelde St Helena Gemeenskap Wind Plaas ontwikkeling.

Die voorgestelde ontwikkeling behels die oprigting van tussen 10 tot 30 wind turbines vir die doel om wind energie te omskep in elektriese energie. Addisionele infrastruktuur wat geassosieer word met die projek sluit in die neerlê van elektriese kables en die konstruksie van kraglyne, 'n nuwe krag substasie, toegangspaaie, windplaas beheerkamer en 'n tydelike konstruksie terrein area. Die voorgestelde area vir die windplaas, wat tans aan die Seeland Ontwikkelings Trust behoort, is geleë op die Langeklip Plaas (Erf 47), ongeveer 5km oos van St Helena Baai en 3km wes van Laingville. Die totale area van die voorgestelde windplaas omskry 744 hektaar.

**Arcus GIBB (Edms) Bpk (GIBB) is aangestel as die onafhanklike Omgewingsimpakbepaling Praktisyn om die OIB proses vir die voorgestelde projek uit te voer.**

**Geleentheid vir publieke deelname:** U aandag word aan die volgende verrig:

Enige persoon wat as 'n Belanghebbende en Geïnteresseerde Party (B&GP) wil deelneem aan die OIB proses word genooi om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer rondom die beoogde projek. Die geskrewe kommentaar kan per pos, faks of epos na Mnr Jan-Willem de Jager gestuur word (kontak besonderhede word onderaan verskaf). Neem asseblief kennis dat die kommentaar ook die B&GP se naam, kontak besonderhede en 'n opsomming van enige direkte besigheid, finansiële, persoonlike of enige ander belang in die beoogde projek moet bevat.

Alle B&GPs word genooi om die volgende publieke ope dae by te woon:

<b>Velddrif Stadsaal, Velddrif</b>	<b>4 Mei</b>	<b>16h00 - 19h00</b>
<b>Laingville Gemeenskapssaal, Laingville</b>	<b>5 Mei</b>	<b>16h00 - 19h00</b>
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Alle B&GPs word genooi om kommentaar te lewer op die Ontwerp Omvangsbepalingsverslag wat beskikbaar gemaak sal word by die volgende openbare biblioteke vanaf **5 April tot 19 Mei 2011** (40 dae kommentaar periode):

VELDDRIF OPENBARE BIBLIOTEEK	VREDENBURG OPENBARE BIBLIOTEEK	LAINGVILLE OPENBARE BIBLIOTEEK
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GIBB sal enige verdere inligting en korrespondensie rondom die projek en geassosieerde OIB proses aan alle **geregistreerde** B&GPs verskaf en verdere geleenthede vir kommentaar sal voorsien word.

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