

07 August 2026

Dear Interested and/or Affected Party

RE: NOTIFICATION OF THE ISSUING OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS AND THE APPEAL PROCEDURE, FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOUR MEGORA SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) FACILITIES, THREE 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINES AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, NEAR MURRAYSBURG IN THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE

As communicated previously, Megora PV (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter referred to as “the Project Applicant”) is proposing the development of four solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities with a capacity of between 90 and 170 MW each, four associated 132 kV overhead power lines, and their associated infrastructure, approximately 20 km north of the town of Murraysburg in the Beaufort West Local Municipality, Central Karoo District Municipality, Western Cape province.

The proposed cluster of solar PV facilities, overhead power lines and their associated infrastructure are collectively referred to as the ‘Megora Solar PV Cluster’. The proposed cluster comprises of the following projects:

- **PROJECT 1:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of the Megora Solar PV Facility 1A and associated infrastructure (i.e., Megora PV 1A), near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.
- **PROJECT 2:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of the Megora Solar PV Facility 1B and associated infrastructure (i.e., Megora PV 1B), near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.
- **PROJECT 3:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of the Megora Solar PV Facility 1C and associated infrastructure (i.e., Megora PV 1C), near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.
- **PROJECT 4:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of the Megora Solar PV Facility 2 and associated infrastructure (i.e., Megora PV 2), near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.
- **PROJECT 5:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of a 132kV overhead power line and associated infrastructure between the proposed Megora Solar PV Facility 1A to a suitable Main Transmission Station (as advised by Transmission Authorities) (i.e., Megora EGI 1) near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.
- **PROJECT 6:** Basic Assessment for the proposed development of a 132kV overhead power line and associated infrastructure between the proposed Megora Solar PV Facility 2 and the proposed Megora Solar PV Facility 1A (i.e., Megora EGI 2) near Murraysburg in the Western Cape Province.

It is understood that the Project Applicant is currently engaging with the Eskom and the NTC SA to confirm a suitable connection point from which the power generated by the Megora Solar PV Cluster can be injected into the national grid. Once this guidance has been received, the Project Developer will finalise the proposed Megora EGI 1 route, after which the required Environmental Assessment process will be undertaken.

An integrated Public Participation Process (PPP) was undertaken for the proposed Megora Projects 1 to 4 and 6, as well as all applications necessary in respect of other applicable legislation. The Draft BA Reports for the proposed Projects 1 to 4 and 6 were made available to all potential and registered Interested and/or Affected

Parties (I&APs), Organs of State and relevant key stakeholders for a 30-day review period, which extended from 06 March 2026 to 08 April 2026 (excluding public holidays). All comments and issues raised as part of the review period were captured in the separate Comments and Responses Reports, and addressed, where relevant and applicable, in the Final BA Reports which were submitted to the National DFFE for decision-making on 3 June 2026.

As a registered I&AP on the projects, in terms of Regulation 4 (2) of the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations (as amended), you are hereby notified that the DFFE has granted EAs for Projects 1 to 4 and 6.

Table 1 below captures the dates of the EAs issued and corresponding DFFE Reference Numbers.

Table 1: List of the proposed projects, DFFE Reference Numbers and dates that the EAs were issued

Project	DFFE Reference Number	Date of the EA
Project 1: Megora PV 1A	14/12/16/3/3/1/3272	30 July 2026
Project 2: Megora PV 1B	14/12/16/3/3/1/3273	30 July 2026
Project 3: Megora PV 1C	14/12/16/3/3/1/3274	29 July 2026
Project 4: Megora PV 2	14/12/16/3/3/1/3276	30 July 2026
Project 6: Megora EGI 2	14/12/16/3/3/1/3275	30 July 2026

The reasons for the decision are detailed in Annexure 1 of the EAs, which are attached to this correspondence.

The EAs, including the reasons for the decisions, and this correspondence can be accessed on the following links:

- Google Drive: <https://bit.ly/MegoraSolarPVCluster>
- CSIR project website: <https://www.csir.co.za/environmental-impact-assessment>

Copies of the EAs will also be furnished on request by contacting the undersigned at ems@csir.co.za

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of the National Appeal Regulations published in Government Notice (GN) 5985 on 13 March 2025, which prescribes the appeal procedure to be followed. These regulations have been attached to this correspondence. Should you wish to lodge an appeal against the EAs, the appeal must be submitted to the DFFE Appeal Administrator by the Appellant, and a copy thereof must be submitted to the Applicant, Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) (ems@csir.co.za), any registered I&AP and any Organ of State that has interest in the matter, within twenty (20) calendar days from the date that the (notification of the) decision (i.e. this correspondence) was sent to registered I&APs by (the EAP on behalf of) the Applicant. Based on this, you are hereby informed that the appeal period extends from **07 August 2026 to 27 August 2026**.

The appeal must be submitted in writing in the prescribed form (obtainable from the Appeal Administrator or DFFE website) to:

Attention:	The Director: Appeals and Legal Review of the National DFFE, at the below mentioned addresses:
By Email:	appeals@dff.gov.za
By Hand:	Environment House, 473 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0083
By Post:	Private Bag X447, Pretoria, 0001

Please visit the DFFE's website at https://www.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations or https://www.dffe.gov.za/rcsm_forms to obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals or request a copy of the documents by sending an e-mail to: appeals@dff.gov.za. The guidance document has also been attached to this correspondence.

Should you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned using the contact details provided below:

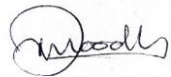
- Attention: Paul Lochner/ Dhiveshni Moodley
- Email: ems@csir.co.za (using "Megora Solar PV Cluster" as the subject).
- Postal address: PO Box 320, Stellenbosch, 7599
- Tel: 021 888 2400

In accordance with the Protection of Personal Information Act (Act 4 of 2013), the CSIR will conduct itself responsibly when collecting, processing, storing and sharing any personal information collected for the purposes of PPP in terms of the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations (as amended) and the 2025 National Appeal Regulations. By registering as an I&AP and/or submitting information and comments, the stakeholder essentially consents to the collection, collation, processing, and storing of such information and the use and disclosure of such information for the aforementioned purpose, including for purposes of potential appeal processes whereby such information may be made available to an appellant in the case of an appeal to satisfy the requirements of Regulation 4 of the 2025 National Appeal Regulations¹. If you would like to opt out of communications on these projects, please do so by responding to this correspondence via email.

Sincerely,



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