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From: Muhammad Essop [MEssop@environment.gov.za]
Sent: 18 June 2014 07:58 AM
To: Philip Rosenthal
Cc: SGrobbelaar@ncpg.gov.za
Subject: Re: Augrabies Solar PV Town Planning Submission at Land Use Planning Application Stage

Dear Philip.

Please note that provided that you have proof of this in the BAR and that you complied with the requirements of the regs, we do not require comments from the planning unit as they will comment again in a later stage on the land use applications.

Regards

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>>> "Philip Rosenthal" <mail@PhilipRosenthal.com> 17/06/2014 17:06 >>>

Dear Mr Essop

With respect to our discussion today, I confirm that the Northern Cape Provincial Department, "Spatial Planning: Town and Regional Planning Department of Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs", has submitted preliminary comments on the proposed Augrabies Solar PV project, which have been responded to in detail in the Final Basic Assessment Report (BAR). The BAR has also very seriously considered the issues raised in the Northern Cape Provincial Spatial Development Framework including discussing relevant issues with the planning consultants responsible for this PSDF. A key issue was the correction of a mapping

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error, which had created the misperception that the site fell within the Augrabies National Park.

Nevertheless, the Northern Cape Department has indicated that they will only issue final comment on the project after receipt of an application on 'Toolkit D-16' (see email below) of their Provincial Spatial Development Framework to which the environmental BAR would form an appendix. It is the intention of the Augrabies Solar PV project team to submit this 'Toolkit D-16' to the Northern Cape Province at Land Use Planning Application Stage - which would occur after decision on Environmental Authorisation by Department of Environment Affairs. In this situation, the Final Comment of the Northern Cape Department of Planning would not be available for the decision on Environmental Authorisation. When I phoned earlier today, you said that this was in order. Please confirm.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Rosenthal

-----Original Message-----

From: SGrobbelaar [mailto:SGrobbelaar@ncpg.gov.za]
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Ons kan nie kommentaar lewer oor die projek alvorens Toolkit D 16 nie ingevul is nie

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