



APPENDIX 2: DECLARATION, UNDERTAKING OF OATH OR AFFIRMATION

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

**SCOPING & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (S&EIA) FOR THE
PROPOSED 2 MEGALITRES PER DAY (MLD) SOLAR POWERED SEAWATER
DESALINATION PLANT IN THE PORT OF EAST LONDON, BUFFALO CITY
METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE, BY TRANSNET
NATIONAL PORTS AUTHORITY**

DFFE EA Application Reference Number: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2845

September 2026



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DETAILS OF EAP AND DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014

PROJECT TITLE

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the proposed 2ml/d Solar Powered Seawater Desalination Plant in the Port of East London, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape Province, by Transnet National Ports Authority

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4.2 The Environmental Assessment Practitioner

I, Cheruscha Swart declare that –

General declaration:

I act as the independent environmental practitioner in this application

I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant

I declare that there are no circumstances that may compromise my objectivity in performing such work;

I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;

I will comply with the Act, regulations and all other applicable legislation;

I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in regulation 8 of the regulations when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;

I have no, and will not engage in, conflicting interests in the undertaking of the activity;

I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the competent authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the competent authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the competent authority;

I will ensure that information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application is distributed or made available to interested and affected parties and the public and that participation by interested and affected parties is facilitated in such a manner that all interested and affected parties will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to participate and to provide comments on documents that are produced to support the application;

I will ensure that the comments of all interested and affected parties are considered and recorded in reports that are submitted to the competent authority in respect of the application, provided that comments that are made by interested and affected parties in respect of a final report that will be submitted to the competent authority may be attached to the report without further amendment to the report;

I will keep a register of all interested and affected parties that participated in a public participation process; and

I will provide the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal regarding the application, whether such information is favourable to the applicant or not

all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct;

will perform all other obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the Regulations; and

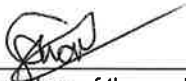
I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Disclosure of Vested Interest (delete whichever is not applicable)

I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014;

~~— I have a vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding, such vested interest being:~~

No vested Interest



Signature of the environmental assessment practitioner:

Anchor Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd

Name of company:

29 September 2026 .

Date:

APPENDIX 6C(1)
DECLARATION OF EAP AND UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION

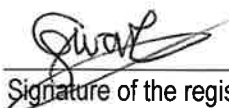
Included as Appendix

I, Oteruscha Swart, declare that –

- a) I act as the independent, registered in terms of EAPASA, environmental assessment practitioner in this application;
- b) I have expertise in conducting environmental impact assessments, including knowledge of the Act, EIA Regulations and any guidelines that have relevance to the proposed activity;
- c) I will comply with the Act, EIA Regulations and all other applicable legislation;
- d) **I am aware that I must be registered with Environmental Assessment Practitioners Association of South Africa (EAPASA) in terms of Regulation 14 of Section 24H Registration Authority Regulations, 2016, as amended.**
- e) I am aware that a candidate EAP may only assist the registered EAP and work under the supervision of a registered EAP (regulation 14(6) in the S24H Registration Authority Regulations, 2016, as amended) such as myself. I take full responsibility for the work conducted.
- f) I will perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- g) I will take into account, to the extent possible, the matters listed in Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations and Regulation 14 of S24H of Section 24H Registration Authority Regulations, 2016, as amended, when preparing the application and any report relating to the application;
- h) I undertake to disclose to the applicant and the Competent Authority all material information in my possession that reasonably has or may have the potential of influencing - any decision to be taken with respect to the application by the Competent Authority; and - the objectivity of any report, plan or document to be prepared by myself for submission to the Competent Authority, unless access to that information is protected by law, in which case it will be indicated that such information exists and will be provided to the Competent Authority;
- i) I will perform all obligations as expected from an environmental assessment practitioner in terms of the EIA Regulations and S24H of NEMA ; and
- j) I am aware of what constitutes an offence in terms of Regulation 48 and that a person convicted of an offence in terms of Regulation 48(1) is liable to the penalties as contemplated in Section 49B of the Act and EIA Regulations and Regulation 18 and 20 of S24H Registration Authority Regulations, 2016, as amended.

Disclosure of Vested Interest (delete whichever is not applicable)

- k) I do not have and will not have any vested interest (either business, financial, personal or other) in the proposed activity proceeding other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the EIA Regulations;
- l) I have no vested interest in the proposed activity proceeding:



Signature of the registered environmental assessment practitioner

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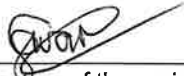
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UNDERTAKING UNDER OATH/ AFFIRMATION

I, Cheruscha Swart, swear under oath / affirm that all the information submitted or to be submitted for the purposes of this application is true and correct.



Signature of the registered Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Anchor Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd

Name of Company

29 September 2026

Date



Signature of the Commissioner of Oaths

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Date: 29 September 2026

AFFIRMATION BY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER

PROJECT DETAILS

DFFE EA Application Reference No:

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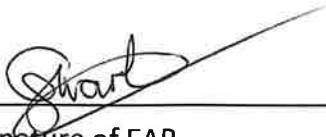
Client: Transnet SOC Limited—Division Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA)

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP)

Ms Cheruscha Swart; EAPASA (Reg EAP no. 2021/3298)

I, Cheruscha Swart, the Appointed Environmental Assessment Practitioner confirm, through this affirmation that:

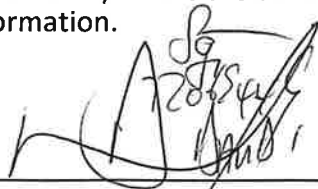
- The information provided in this report is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct;
- All comments and inputs that have been or will be received from I&APs and stakeholders will be included as part of the Final Environmental Impact Report and addressed where necessary;
- All inputs and recommendations from the specialist reports have been included where relevant; and
- To the best of my knowledge all relevant project information has been provided to stakeholders and interested and affected parties (I&APs), and is true and correct;
- All responses provided to comments received from stakeholders / I&APs are the unbiased opinion of the EAP and are based on factually correct information.



Signature of EAP

Cheruscha Swart

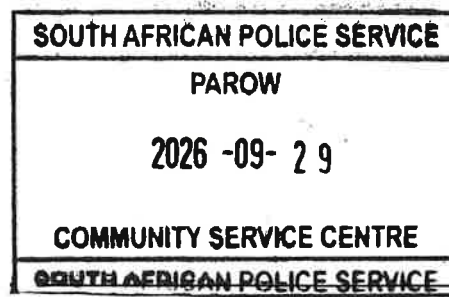
Name: of EAP



Signature of Commissioner of Oath

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Name of Commissioner of Oath



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