

# COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT

SUPPORTING THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (BAR) FOR THE PROPOSED UNDERTAKING OF THE PHASE 2 PART II OF THE GEOTECHNICAL AND GEOPHYSICS SURVEY, INCLUDING SEISMIC SURVEY, IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED MULTI-PURPOSE REACTOR (MPR) PROJECT AT THE SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR ENERGY CORPORATION (NECSA), PELINDABA, WITHIN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE.

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# PREFACE

Section 41 of Government Notice Regulation (GNR.) No. 982 in Government Gazette No. 38202 (04 December 2014) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, promulgated in terms of Section 24(5) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended (NEMA), makes provision for comments from Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to be recorded in reports and plans, and such written comments, including responses to such comments, are attached to the reports and plans that are submitted to the competent authorities [in this case, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE)].

This report constitutes the Comments and Responses Report (CRR) which captures the issues raised by stakeholders during the Environmental Authorisation (EA) application processes for the proposed undertaking of the Phase 2 Part II of the Geotechnical and Geophysics Survey, including Seismic Survey, in support of the proposed Multi-Purpose Reactor (MPR) project at the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation (Necsa), Pelindaba, located in Brits Magisterial District, Madibeng Local Municipality, within the North West Province.

As part of the announcement, Background Information Documents (BIDs), notification letters with appended registration sheets are being sent to all identified I&APs. Eight (8) site notice boards are being erected at places conspicuous to and accessible by the public along the proposed study area. Two (2) local and one (1) national newspaper advertisements (in English) have been placed in the Kormorant, Tshwane Sun Atteridgeville and The Star. The notification documentation is being published on **Friday, 29 August 2025**. Comments which will be received from stakeholders will be captured in the CRR as it is not a static document but is, however, updated as and when comments are received. This report will be updated as the EA application, i.e. Basic Assessment (BA), process unfolds.

**Table 1: Comments received on the review of the Draft BAR.**

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