

Date: 26 October 2022

To: Saldanha Bay Water Quality Forum Trust

By e-mail: [manager@sbwqft.org.za](mailto:manager@sbwqft.org.za)

**RE: KARPOWERSHIP SA (PTY) LTD (KSA), PROPOSED GAS TO POWER PROJECTS IN THE PORTS OF SALDANHA BAY, RICHARDS BAY AND NGQURA**

1. Triplo4 Sustainable Solutions (Pty) Ltd (Triplo4), has been appointed by Karpowership SA (Pty) Ltd (KSA) to conduct an environmental impact assessment (EIA), with respect to the KSA gas to power projects in the Ports of Saldanha Bay, Richards Bay and Ngqura.
2. This Environmental Impact Assessment with Public Participation arises out of a decision by the Minister of the Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), (dated 1 August 2022), to close out gaps and deficiencies in the EIA submitted to the DFFE in April 2021. The new EIA process accordingly includes this Public Participation Process.
3. As you are an Interested and Affected Party and/or represent the interests of small scale fishers and/or the interests of First Nation indigenous peoples and/or interest groups or entities that are concerned with the protection and preservation of oceans, ocean ecosystems and water quality and/or activists, interest groups or organisations that are concerned about climate change, we hereby give you notice of the public meetings, as part of the Public Participation Process, that will be held with regard to the Projects as follows:

SALDANHA BAY	RICHARDS BAY	PORT OF NGQURA
<b>Public Meeting Date:</b> <b>21-Nov-2022</b> Time: 10:00 - 13:00	<b>Public Meeting Date:</b> <b>23-Nov-2022</b> Time: 10:00 - 13:00	<b>Public Meeting Date:</b> <b>25-Nov-2022</b> Time: 10:00 - 13:00
<b>Venue:</b> White City Multipurpose Centre, Saldanha Bay	<b>Venue:</b> Zululand Chambers of Business Foundation King Fisher Hall, Richards Bay	<b>Venue:</b> Raymond Mhlaba Sports Centre (Motherwell) Gqeberha
<b>Virtual Meeting Date:</b> <b>21-Nov-22</b> Time: 17:00 - 20:00	<b>Virtual Meeting Date:</b> <b>23-Nov-22</b> Time: 17:00 - 20:00	<b>Virtual Meeting Date:</b> <b>25-Nov-22</b> Time: 17:00 - 20:00

4. You are well aware that Public Participation is critical to the Project EIA process and the *Audi Alteram Partem* rule, to ensure that communities are consulted, are aware of the Projects and the potential environmental and social impacts and that they have the opportunity to obtain information and comment on the Projects, particularly those communities and groups that are classified as marginalised, poor, inadequately resourced or unsophisticated.

5. Whilst we are aware that consultation is a function of Triplo4, as an organisation with your representative mandate, with a large database of members that potentially fall into the above categories, we kindly request:

a. That you forward copies of the attached Public Participation Notice and Information Leaflet (both of which are attached in English, Afrikaans, isiZulu, isiXhosa and Sesotho), to your database of members and publish this communication on your website.

(Should you wish us to provide you with hard copies of the notices or information leaflets in any particular language, you are kindly requested to timeously advise us of the language and quantity required, which we shall deliver directly to your offices).

b. That if you are aware of particular individuals, communities or groups that you believe are materially affected by the Project, that you advise them accordingly, alternatively provide Triplo4 with their names and contact details (in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act), to enable Triplo4 to contact them directly. Our contact details for the project is set out in Section 6.

c. Inform your database that copies of the Background Information Document (BID) Information Document (in English, Afrikaans, isiZulu, isiXhosa and Sesotho) which is available immediately for perusal, as well as the Draft Environmental Impact Report (in English, but with an executive summary In Afrikaans, isiZulu, isiXhosa and Sesotho), which will be available for perusal on the 10<sup>th</sup> November, may be accessed at the following locations:

<b>SALDANHA BAY</b>	<u><b>Vredenburg Public Library</b></u> 2 Akademie Street, Louwville, Vredenburg, 7380 <u><b>Saldanha Library</b></u> 30 Berg St, Saldanha, 7395
<b>RICHARDS BAY</b>	<u><b>Richards Bay Public Library</b></u> Kruger Road CBD, Richards Bay <u><b>Empangeni Public Library</b></u> Corner of Union and Commercial Streets, Empangeni



<b>PORT OF NGQURA</b>	<b>Cllr Offices (Ward 53)</b> 33175, Nkwenkwezi Street, Kamvelihle, Motherwell 6211 <b>Cllr Offices (Ward 60)</b> Corner of Sityhotyholweni Street and Jijana Street, Wells Estate) <b>North End Library</b> 12 Mount Road, Mount Croix, North End
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6. *Please submit and address all further correspondence to -*

**Mrs. Hantie Plomp and associated colleagues of Triplo4  
Triplo4 Sustainable Solutions**

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<b>PORT OF NGQURA</b>	Tel  032 946 3213   073 317 0154 E-mail   <a href="mailto:coegaksa@triplo4.com">coegaksa@triplo4.com</a>

7. We thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Yours faithfully



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