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COMMENTS IN TERMS OF CARA, ACT 43 OF 1983: THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 230 MV VANPAN SOLAR PV ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURES ON PORTION 1 OF THE FARM STEENBOKPAN 295 LQ, NEAR LEPHALALE WITHIN THE JURISTCTION OF LEPHALALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, WATERBERG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE.

APPLICANT: Green Gate Energy (Pty) Ltd.

Your request for comments regarding the above subject matter with (DFFE) reference numbers: Green Gate Energy: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2543 and 14/12/16/3/3/2/2544, refers:

1. The Directorate: Land and Soil Management (Resource Audit Unit) has noted that your request is for:
 - The development of a solar photovoltaic (PV) facility and associated infrastructure with a generating capacity of up to 230 MW with site extent of on a development footprint of approximately 252ha.
 - A 132kV onsite switching station.
 - Overhead Power Line: A 132kV overhead power line to connect the PV facility to the national electricity grid at the existing Eskom Theunispan Substation.
 - Associated access and service roads up to 10 km.
2. The Directorate has no objection to this proposed development from CARA point of view subject to the following condition to be complied with:



- 2.1 A suitable soil conservation work shall be constructed and thereafter be maintained to divert run-off water from other land or to restrict the run-off speed of run-off water.
- 2.2 No land user shall remove or alter an obstruction in the natural flow pattern of run-off water on his farm unit if such removal or alteration will result in excessive soil loss due to erosion through the action of water or the deterioration of the natural agricultural resources.

The above conditions are binding on you as a land user in terms of section 7(1) & 7(4)(a) of the Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, Act 43 of 1983, and failure to comply with the content of this letter constitute an offence.

You as land user, shall comply with all other statutory requirements by other statutory bodies, including obtaining consent from owners of the properties in question before this activity commences.

Yours faithfully

Mr. M.A. Ramodike


FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER: (CARA, ACT 43 OF 1983)
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