Appendix 4: Public Participation

4.1 Interested and Affected Parties Register

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First Name	Last Name	Last Name Company/Property Description	Business Address		Phone	Fax	Cell Phone	E-mail Address
				Authorities				
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Marc	Hatting	Umngeni Municipality						Marc.Hattingh@umngeni.gov.za
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Mr Ntuthuko	Makhubu	EDTEA - for H. Sheared						ntuthuko.makhubu@kznedtea.gov.za
Brendan	Rajoo	ИМРМ						Brendan.Rajoo@umdm.gov.za
Theo	Lexow	Transnet						Theo.Lexow@transnet.net
Michelle	Nicol	ESKOM	PO Box 66 NEW GERMANY 3620					NICOLM@eskom.co.za
Judy	Reddy	Department of Transport	Private Bag x 9043, Pietermaritzburg, 3200	172 Burger Street	(033) 3558897	(033) 342 3962		Judy.Reddy@Kzntransport.gov.za
CIIr BA	Zuma	Ward 12 Councillor					084 678 4464	cllr.zuma@umngeni.gov.za
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Jesse	Fardella	Mount Zion Community Church		21 Laurel Crescent	033 330 7135			gsfardella@gmail.com
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4.2 Information Sheet and Proof of Distribution

Ecoguard – Information Sheet 1

PROPOSED EXPANSION OF ECOGUARD BIOSCIENCES, UMGENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, KWAZULU-NATAL



INFORMATION SHEET

1. Introduction

JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Ecoguard Biosciences to undertake the environmental services required for the construction works associated with the expansion of the existing operations, Umgeni Local Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal. This Notification Sheet aims to inform Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (Basic Assessment) that is being conducted. All issues and comments raised by IAPs during the Basic Assessment will be documented in the Basic Assessment Report. This will assist in the identification of environmental issues that could have a negative and or positive impact on the site and the community.

According to the EIA regulations (2014), it is necessary for the applicant to appoint an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) who will adhere to the environmental stipulations and complete the applicable environmental process on behalf of the applicant. In this case the relevant role players for the proposed development are as follows:

Applicant: Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd

Environmental Assessment Practitioner: JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd

Competent Authority: Economic Development Tourism & Environmental Affairs (EDTEA)

2. Project Description and Locality

The project site is located at 25 Laurel Road, Merrivale, KwaZulu-Natal where Ecoguard has been operating for some years. It is proposed that the upgrade will consist of the enlargement of an existing production plant. The proposed activity is located within Ward 12 of the Umgeni Local Municipality. The 21-digit Surveyor General (SG) code for the cadastral land parcel, as well as property details and coordinates, are detailed in Table 3 -4.

Table 1: Location of the proposed expansion

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Property Owner	Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd
21 digit SG code	N0FT02080000059700000
Physical address / Erf / Farm / Portion	597
Coordinates (centre)	29°30'51.4055"S 30°13'42.2007"E
PROPOSED EXPANSION AREA	
Property Owner	Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd
21 digit SG code	N0FT02080000059800000
Physical address / Erf / Farm / Portion	598
Coordinates (centre)	29°30'51.9835"S 30°13'43.2053"E

As per GN R326 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, a Basic Assessment (BA) Process must be undertaken in such a manner that the environmental outcomes, impacts and residual risks of the proposed Listed Activities being applied for are noted in the BA Report and assessed accordingly by the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP). Ultimately, the outcome of the BA Process is to provide the Competent Authority, the EDTEA, with sufficient information to provide a decision on the Application in terms of Environmental Authorisation (EA), in order to avoid or mitigate any detrimental impacts that the activity may inflict on the receiving environment.

3. Public Participation Process

The Public Participation Process, as promulgated in terms of the NEMA Regulations is a fundamental process whereby the proponent, technical team, government authorities, key stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) can engage in an informed decision—making process.

Your organisation has been identified as an Interested and Affected Party/Stakeholder. This Information Sheet has been generated to notify you of the proposed project and you will therefore be notified of the availability of the draft Basic Assessment which will be distributed for comment in due course. Should you identify any other party who should be included in the notification and circulation of reports relating to this project, kindly complete Appendix 1 and return to the EAP.

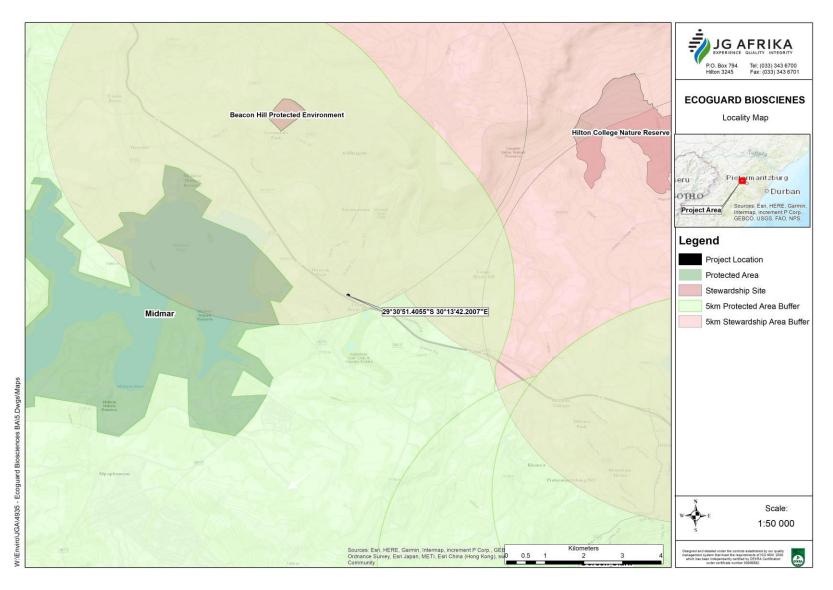


Figure 1: Proposed location of the Ecoguard Expansion.

APPENDIX 1: IAP REGISTRATION FORM

PROPOSED EXPANSION OF ECOGUARD BIOSCIENCES, UMGENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, KWAZULU-NATAL



COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE DESIGNATED EAP:

Ms Riona Patak

JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd

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OTHER IAPS THAT SHOULD BE CONTACTED WITH REGARDS TO THIS PROJECT:						
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From: Riona Patak

Sent: 14 October 2019 09:30

To: Job4935-Ecoguard Biosciences BA

Subject: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences - Information sheet

Attachments: Ecoquard Information Sheet.pdf

Good day

Please see attached information sheet for the abovementioned proposed expansion.

The draft Basic Assessment Report will be distributed within the week for review and comment for a period of 30 days.

A hardcopy of the report will be located in the Howick West Public Library and a download link will be distributed to all registered Interested and Affected Parties.

Kindly notify me should you wish to receive a hardcopy of the report.

Kind regards

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4.3 Notice of availability of Draft Basic Assessment Report for comment and proof of distribution

From: Riona Patak

Sent: 18 October 2019 09:45

To: Job4935-Ecoguard Biosciences BA

Subject: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences - Availability of Draft Basic

Assessment Report for comment

Importance: High

Dear Sir/Madam

Please note that the draft Basic Assessment Report for the abovementioned project has been completed and is now available for review and comment from Stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (IAP's). A digital copy of the report has been made available on the JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd website (www.igafrika.com). Furthermore, a hardcopy is available for review at the Howick Public Library (Alphine Street) from 17 October 2019. Please may all comments / concerns be submitted in writing to Ms Riona Patak on or before 19 November 2019.

Comments may be submitted via post, fax or e-mail:

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4.5 Final Reminder to comment on Draft Basic Assessment Report and Proof of Distribution

From: Riona Patak

Sent: 19 November 2019 06:53

To: Job4935-Ecoguard Biosciences BA

Subject: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences - Final day to comment on

the Draft Basic Assessment Report

Importance: High

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: FINAL DAY TO COMMENT ON REPORT DC22/0019/2019

This email serves as a reminder of the opportunity to comment on the draft Basic Assessment Report for the abovementioned project. The report is available for review and comment from Stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (IAP's). A digital copy of the report has been made available on the JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd website (www.jgafrika.com). Furthermore, a hardcopy is available for review at the Howick Public Library (Alphine Street) from 17 October 2019. Please may all comments / concerns be submitted in writing to Ms Riona Patak on or before 19 November 2019.

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From: Riona Patak

Sent: 15 November 2019 11:16 AM

To: Job4935-Ecoguard Biosciences BA < Job4935@jgafrika.com>

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Yours faithfully,

From: Riona Patak

Sent: 18 October 2019 9:45 AM

To: Job4935-Ecoguard Biosciences BA < Job4935@jgafrika.com>

Subject: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences - Availability of Draft Basic Assessment Report for

comment

Importance: High

Dear Sir/Madam

Please note that the draft Basic Assessment Report for the abovementioned project has been completed and is now available for review and comment from Stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (IAP's). A digital copy of the report has been made available on the JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd website (www.jgafrika.com). Furthermore, a hardcopy is available for review at the Howick Public Library (Alphine Street) from 17 October 2019. Please may all comments / concerns be submitted in writing to Ms Riona Patak on or before 19 November 2019.

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4.6 Comments and Responses (Original)



Enquiries: Sphelele Makhwasa Reference DC22/0019/2019 Date: 19 November 2019

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ATTENTION: Riona Patak Email Address: patakr@terratest.co.za

Cc: Richard Forsyth-Thompson Email Address: rtf@ecoguard.co.za

Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd

Dear Madam/Sir

RE: DC22/0019/2019: COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE ECOGUARD BIOSCIENCES FACILITY, WITHIN UMNGENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT.

- The Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) dated October 2019 for the above-mentioned activity, submitted in terms of the requirement of Regulation 40(1) (a) in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended) was received by the Department of Economic Development Tourism and Environmental Affairs (herein referred to as 'this Department') on 17 October 2019.
- 2. Following a review of the DBAR; this Department recommends that the Final Basic Assessment Report (FBAR) include the following:
- 2.1 The geographical coordinates on the application form do not correspond with the coordinates from the DBAR, please verify the correct coordinates.
- 2.2 The layout plans and maps attached to the DBAR should be drawn to scale (1:50 000) and contain legends; with a North reference point; extent of the sites and details in respect of referencing (viz. compiled by, dated, reference).
- 2.3 Details of the public participation process undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 and 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) together with copies of the supporting documents and inputs must be included.
- 2.4 A summary (updated comments and response report) of the issues raised by interested and affected parties, an indication of the manner in which the issues were incorporated, or the reasons for not including them should be included.
- 2.5 Please be reminded to ensure that all state Departments identified in the DBAR are consulted and proof of such consultation is included.

- 2.6 The final BAR must meet the requirements of Regulation 32(a) and Appendix 1 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended); and, all specialist studies (if undertaken) must meet the requirements of Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).
- 3. Please note that the activities applied for must not commence (including site preparation and other action/s on the site) prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the relevant competent authority.
- 4. All enquiries regarding this correspondence may be directed to Mr. Sphelele Makhwasa (in absence; Mr. Shawn Janneker) at the uMgungundlovu District Office: Tel No: 033 347 1820 and Fax No: 033 347 1826.

Yours sincerely

For: Acting Head of Department

Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs

Signed by: Mr. Sphelele Makhwasa Designation: Environmental Officer

Date: 19 November 2019





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Your Ref.: DC22/0019/2019

Our Ref.: 4935

20 November 2019

Department of Economic Development, tourism and Environmental Affairs (EDTEA)
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Pietermaritzburg
3202

ATTENTION: SPHELELE MAKHWASA

Dear Madam

DC22/00119/2019: RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (BAR) FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE ECOGUARD BIOSCIENCES FACILITY, UMNGENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

With reference to your letter dated 19 November 2019, please find responses below:

Comment 2.1

The geographical coordinates on the application form do not correspond with the coordinates from the DBAR, please verify the correct coordinates.

Response:

Thank you for your comment. The geographical co-ordinates are as follows:

PROPOSED EXPANSION AREA			
Property Owner	Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd		
21 digit SG code	N0FT02080000059700000		
Physical address / Erf / Farm / Portion	597		
Coordinates (centre)	29°30'51.4055"S 30°13'42.2007"E		
CURENT PRODUCTION AND STORAGE			
Property Owner	Ecoguard Biosciences (Pty) Ltd		
21 digit SG code	N0FT02080000059600000		
Physical address / Erf / Farm / Portion	596		
Coordinates (centre)	29°30'50.86"S 30°13'41.23"E		

Comment 2.2:

The layout plans and maps attached to the DBAR should be drawn to scale (1:50 000) and contain legends; with a North reference point; extent of the sites and details in respect of referencing (viz. compiled by, dated, reference).

Response:

Updated maps have been included as Appendix 6.

The following additions have been made to the maps:

Site map:

- Extent of site
- Date
- Datum reference

Locality Map:

- o Date
- Datum reference

Comment 2.3:

Details of the public participation process undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 and 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) together with copies of the supporting documents and inputs must be included.

Response:

Kindly refer to Section 7 of the final BAR and Appendix 4 (supporting documentation).

Comment 2.4:

A summary (updated comments and response report) of the issues raised by interested and affected parties, an indication of the manner in which the issues were incorporated, or the reasons for not including them should be included.

Response:

Please refer to Section 7 of the final BAR and Appendix 4 (supporting documentation). Furthermore, please note that comments have been received from 2 organisations: EDTEA and Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife. As per EIA Regulations (2014), GNR 326 43(2), State Departments that administer a law relating to a matter affecting the environment, specific to the Application, must submit comments within 30 days to the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (i.e. JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd). Should no comment be received within the 30 day commenting period, it will be assumed that the relevant I&AP, Stakeholder or State Department has no comment to provide. It has therefore been assumed that all other IAPs and stakeholders have no comment.

Comment 2.5:

Please be reminded to ensure that all state Departments identified in the DBAR are consulted and proof of such consultation is included.

Response:

Kindly refer to Section 7 of the final BAR and Appendix 4 (supporting documentation).

Comment 2.6:

The final BAR must meet the requirements of Regulation 32(a) and Appendix 1 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended); and, all specialist studies (if undertaken) must meet the requirements of Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

Response:

Noted, thank you for your comments.

We remain at your disposal should you have any further queries.

Yours faithfully

R PATAK

for: JG AFRIKA (PTY) LTD

From: Sphelele Makhwasa < Sphelele.Makhwasa@kznedtea.gov.za>

Sent: 22 November 2019 11:45

To: Riona Patak

Subject: RE: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences comments

Good morning Riona,

The attached response has been received.

Regards, Sphelele

From: Riona Patak [mailto:PatakR@jgafrika.com]

Sent: 22 November 2019 07:25 AM

To: Sphelele Makhwasa < Sphelele. Makhwasa@kznedtea.gov.za>

Cc: Shawn Janneker < Shawn. Janneker@kznedtea.gov.za>

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Good morning Sphelele

I trust you are well.

Thank you for your comments. Please see attached response from JG Afrika (Pty) Ltd.

Kind regards

Riona Patak

Environmental Scientist



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Sent: 19 November 2019 10:20 AM **To:** Riona Patak < Patak R@igafrika.com>

Cc: Shawn Janneker < Shawn.Janneker@kznedtea.gov.za>

Subject: DC22/0019/2019: Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences comments

Good morning Riona

Please see the attached document and kindly acknowledge the receipt.

Regards,

Mr. Sphelele Makhwasa

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Planning Division: IEM Section

Enquiries: Noluthando Dlamini Your Ref: DC22/0019/2019

JG Afrika 6 Pin Oak Avenue Hilton 3245

19 November 2019

ATTENTION: Riona Patak

PROPOSED EXPANSION OF ECOGUARD BIOSCIENCES, UMGENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY: uMgungundlovu

Dear Ms Patak

Thank you for forwarding the Draft Basic Assessment Report, dated October 2019, for the abovementioned application to Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife (Ezemvelo) for review and comment.

Ezemvelo will not be providing comment on this application, but trust that all significant biodiversity related concerns have been clearly identified and made known in this assessment together with appropriate measures (viz. avoid, mitigate and thereafter ameliorate) to safeguard the ecological integrity of the developable area.

Please be advised that the potential impacts upon biodiversity will be evaluated by the Competent Authority who may, upon identification of a potential biodiversity concern, refer the biodiversity concern to this organisation for evaluation and advice regarding the specific concern, prior to making a decision. In such case, the environmental principles prescribed in the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998, the objectives of the National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act 10 of 2004 and best practice will be applied.

Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife wishes you well with your assessment.

Yours sincerely

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Manager Protected Area Planning and IEM For CEO: EZEMVELO KZN WILDLIFE

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From: Riona Patak

Sent: 22 November 2019 07:26 **To:** Noluthando Dlamini

Subject: RE: Ezemvelo's Official Response: 12367_Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences,

Umgeni Municipality

Good day

Thank you for your comments. These will be included in the final Basic Assessment Report for submission to EDTEA.

Kind regards

From: Noluthando Dlamini < Noluthando. Dlamini@kznwildlife.com>

Sent: 19 November 2019 2:17 PM **To:** Riona Patak <PatakR@jgafrika.com>

Subject: Ezemvelo's Official Response: 12367_Expansion of Ecoguard Biosciences, Umgeni Municipality

Dear Ms Patak

Please find attached to this email Ezemvelo's Official Response regarding the abovementioned application. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Regards

Noluthando Dlamini

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