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Attention: Interested and Affected Parties

Dear Interested and Affected Party

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

Applications for postponement of certain requirements of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act - Minimum Emission Standards, for Sasol South Africa Limited operations in Sasolburg

- Availability of a Draft Motivation report and AIR for comment
- Invitation to public open days
- Next steps in the application process

Sasol South Africa Limited (Sasol) is an international integrated energy and chemical company which owns and operates facilities at Sasolburg in the Free State. Sasol is required to comply with Minimum Emission Standards (MES), published in terms of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (Act No 39 of 2004). Sasol has previously applied and been granted postponement. However, new, more stringent standards will come into effect in April 2020 and Sasol will be challenged to meet the 2020 new plant standards in certain instances.

Sasol therefore intends to apply for postponements from the compliance timeframes for the Steam Stations (in terms of Sub-category 1.1 of the MES) and three Incinerators (in Terms of Subcategory 8.1 of the MES) at their Sasolburg Operations.

This application is supported by Part 2 of the MES. In accordance with the requirements for postponements contained in the MES, Sasol will submit an atmospheric impact report (AIR) together with a motivation report containing detailed justification and reasons. Airshed Planning Professionals (Pty) Ltd (Airshed) has been appointed to prepare the AIR while SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SRK) has been appointed to undertake the public participation process to also assist Sasol in compiling the Motivation Report.

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Availability of the Draft Motivation Report and AIR for Comment

While the official comment period on the Draft Motivation Report and AIR will commence on **Monday 7 January 2019 and close on Wednesday 6 February 2019,** documents will be made available from the close of business in December to allow additional time for I&APs to review and comment.

Electronic versions of the reports will be available on SRK's website at <u>https://www.srk.co.za/en/za-sasol-2019-mes-postponement-applications</u> and electronic copies can be made available on request from the Stakeholder Engagement Office at SRK.

In addition, printed copies of the reports and comment sheets will be available at the following publicly accessible venues for stakeholders to view and comment on:

Sasolburg					
Public Place	Address	Contact	Telephone		
Public Library	John Vorster Road, Sasolburg	Yvette Herbst Griesel	016 973 8463		
Zamdela Library	Next to Zamdela Hall on the Main Road, Zamdela	Reception	016 974 2163		
Metsimaholo Local Municipality	Fichardt Street, Sasolburg	M Molala	016 973 8316		
Sasolburg Operations Main Reception	1 Klasie Havenga Road, Sasolburg	Reception	016 960 2014 / 2976		

Your comments and suggestions on any aspect of the Draft Motivation Report and AIR will be considered and included in a comments and response report appended to the application. You are welcome to comment on the Draft Motivation Report and AIR by:

- Completing the online registration and comment form at the following link: <u>https://arcg.is/H05W9</u>
- Completing the enclosed registration and comment form and submitting it to SRK (details below);
- Writing a letter or additional written submission by mail, email or fax; or
- Calling SRK.

DUE DATE FOR COMMENTS: WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019.

Public Open days

To facilitate comment on the Draft Motivation Report and AIR, two public open days will be held where the application will be explained. Participants will have the opportunity at these open days to meet the project team and to provide comments. Details of the public open days are as follows:

Date	Time	Venue
21 January 2019	12:00-18:00	Boiketlong Community Hall
23 January 2019	12:00-18:00	Multi-Purpose Centre, Harry Gwala

To confirm your attendance, submit comments or to obtain more information; please contact SRK at the contact details below:

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Next steps in the Application Process

The Public Participation Report and Comment and Response Report will be updated once all comments are received. These documents will be included as part of the Final postponement application submitted for approval by the relevant authorities. Registered I&APs will be notified of the submission and copies of the submission will be made available on SRK's website. Registered I&APs will also be notified once a decision, regarding the postponement application has been made by the authorities.

Yours faithfully,

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