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### INVITATION TO REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE

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

#### Dear Stakeholder

- Availability of a Background Information Document (BID) for comment
- Invitation to register as an I&AP
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Sasol South Africa Limited (Sasol) is an international integrated energy and chemical company which owns and operates facilities at Secunda in Mpumalanga. Secunda Synfuels Operations (SSO) and Sasol Chemical Operations (SCO) are located in the Sasol Secunda complex south of central Secunda. 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 as follows:

- SSO steam plant boilers (Subcategory 1.1); superflex catalytic cracker (SCC) unit (Subcategory 2.2); storage tanks (Subcategory 2.4); Biosludge and high organic waste (HOW) incinerators (Subcategory 8.1)
- SCO storage tanks (Subcategory 2.4) and ammonium nitrate (Subcategory 7.3)

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 stakeholder engagement process to also assist Sasol in compiling the Motivation Report.

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### Availability of a Background Information Document (BID) for comment

The enclosed BID provides more information about Sasol's intended postponement applications. It provides Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with an initial opportunity to comment on the application process and to register and receive further information during the process.

The BID, with an accompanying Registration and Comment Form, will also be available for public comment until **09 November 2018**, on the SRK Website at

https://www.srk.co.za/en/za-sasol-2019-mes-postponement-applications, and at the public places listed below.

Secunda Secunda			
Public Place	Address	Contact	Telephone
Public Library	Laurens Muller Street, Secunda	Tersa Griesel	017 620 6175
Govan Mbeki Local Municipality	Horwood Street, Secunda	Reception	017 620 6279
Sasol Charlie 1 Main Entrance	Frans Du Toit Street, Secunda	Reception	017 610 1111

You are invited to comment on the BID by:

- Completing the online registration and comment form at the following link; <a href="https://arcg.is/H05W9">https://arcg.is/H05W9</a>
- 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.

## Invitation to register as an I&AP

This notification is being sent to you as you have previously registered as an I&AP in a public participation process relating to a postponement or offset application filed by Sasol Should you prefer not to be contacted in this regard please indicate as much via the comment link above or contact SRK at the details below.

You are welcome to forward this notice to others who may be interested in registering as an I&AP in this process. They are similarly invited to register as an I&AP and to comment on Sasol's application. Please submit your registration online by using the link provided above or complete the enclosed Registration and Comment Form and submit to SRK by **09 November 2018** 

Please note that by registering as an I&AP you consent to:

- receiving communications relating to the process;
- having your personal information stored on an I&AP database;
- the I&AP database and the personal information contained therein being submitted to a third party if an appeal is lodged,; and
- having your personal information utilised for notifications related to Public Participation processes associated with the application and any appeals should they be lodged

Next steps in the Application Process

The Draft Motivation Report and AIR will be made available for public comment early in 2019. Registered I&APs will be informed in advance of the availability of the report. Then, all comments received on the BID, the Draft Motivation Report and AIR will be compiled in the Comments and Response Report that will be submitted together with the Motivation Report and AIR to the authority for consideration.

To obtain more information, or to submit your comments, please contact SRK at the contact details below: **Philippa Burmeister** or **Romi Bellusci** at SRK, **Tel**: +27(0)31 279 1200 **Fax**: +27(0)31 279 1204, **e-mail**: <a href="mailto:pburmeister@srk.co.za/">pburmeister@srk.co.za/</a> rbellusci@srk.co.za/

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Yours faithfully,

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