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## INTRODUCTION OF LEPHALALE SOLAR PROJECT

Representatives from Cennergi (a subsidiary of Exxaro Grootegeluk Coal Mine)together with the Honourable Mayor of Lephalale Local Municipality, Cllr Aron Mokgetle, met with the three local traditional authorities to introduce the Lephalale Solar Project (LSP) at Seleka Tribal Office on 14 September 2023.

Lephalale Solar, Cennergi and Exxaro Grootegeluk Mine plans to construct a Photovoltaic (PV) Solar Facility with associated infrastructure near Grootegeluk Coal Mine approximately 25km from the town of Lephalale.

The solar facility is envisaged to have a capacity of approximately 75MW. The project will be completed in a period of 18months. It is estimated that about 350 people will be employed for about 6months during the peak period of the project. Once the plant reaches the operations and maintenance phase, it will be producing energy and will be selling the energy to Exxaro Grootegeluk Mine. Lephalale Solar has committed to spend 1% of the revenue on socio economic and enterprise development programmes within the local communicities.

The commencement and sod turning of the project will be announced in due course.

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