



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 33 OF THE MUNICIPAL FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 56 OF 2003 PROPOSED 20-YEAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) FOR SOLAR PV PLANT WITH BESS

Notice is hereby given that Lephalale Local Municipality intends entering into a long-term agreement with an Independent Power Producer (IPP) for the design, financing, construction, operation, maintenance and transfer of a 20.28 MWp Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Power Plant with a 52.5 MWh Battery Energy System (BESS), under a 20-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).

BACKGROUND

Section 33 of the Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA) prescribes that public participation is required whenever a local authority intends to sign contracts extending beyond three (3) municipal financial years. In such instances, the Act also requires the municipality to provide background information, invite written comments from the local community, and consult relevant sector departments.

Lephalale Local Municipality intends to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the supply of bulk photovoltaic solar generated electricity for a period of twenty (20) years.

In compliance with Section 33 of the MFMA, the Municipality hereby invites written comments from members of the public on the proposed Power Purchase Agreement.

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public and stakeholders are invited to submit written comments or objections regarding the proposed agreement on or before the specified closing date.

ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS

Copies of the Section 33 explanatory documents and the Draft Power Purchase Agreement will be available for inspection at:

- Lephalale Local Municipality Offices and website:
www.lephalale.gov.za
- Designated public facilities and libraries within the Municipality

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

Written submissions must be addressed to the Municipal Manager, Lephalale Local Municipality.

Email: feziwe.raphela@lephalale.gov.za

Enquiries can be directed to the Manager: Electricity at 014 762 1496 or Electrical Engineering Technician 014 762 1614 during working hours 08:30 - 16:00.

Those who cannot read or write are advised to visit the Electrical Office during office hours for assistance.

Closing Date for Submission of registration form: 13 November 2026