

February 10, 2025

SLR Project No.: 733.023088.0000

**RE: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for Proposed Appraisal Well Drilling in Block 2814A (PPL 003), Orange Basin, Off Southern Namibia:**

**Notification of Availability of Draft Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Report for review and comment and Invitation to Public Meetings**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Our correspondence of 18 September 2024 regarding the Draft Scoping Report comment period refers. This letter provides information on the availability for comment of the Draft Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) Report and invites all stakeholders to attend public meetings.

## 1.0 Background

BW Kudu Limited (BW Kudu) is the holder of a Petroleum Production Licence (PPL) 003 for Block 2814A located off the southern coast of Namibia. The Block covers an area of approximately 4 568 km<sup>2</sup> and is located 85 km offshore at its closest point, in water depths ranging from 150 m to 750 m.

BW Kudu proposes to drill up to four appraisal wells within the Block to confirm and test the presence and quality of hydrocarbon resources. Related appraisal activities include seabed sampling, Vertical Seismic Profiling, well testing and well plugging, and well abandonment or suspension.

Before the proposed appraisal activities can commence, BW Kudu requires an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT). As part of this process, an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) must be undertaken and SLR Environmental Consulting (Namibia) (Pty) Ltd (SLR) has been appointed to undertake and manage the ESIA process.

The Final Scoping Report (FSR) was accepted by the MEFT on 05 February 2025, which confirmed that the FSR complied with the minimum requirements of Section 8 of the EIA Regulations 2012 and that SLR may proceed with the ESIA in accordance with the terms of reference presented in the FSR.

This ESIA process is now in the Impact Assessment Phase, which aims to:

- Identify, assess and report on potential impacts the proposed project may have on the receiving environment;
- Define suitable mitigation measures to avoid and / or reduce significant negative environmental and social impacts, and enhance benefits, where possible; and
- Provide an opportunity for stakeholders to comment on the findings of the ESIA process and inform MEFT decision-making.



## 2.0 Availability of Draft ESIA Report for Review and Comment

SLR has compiled a Draft ESIA Report, which is available for a 30-day review and comment period from **12 February to 14 March 2025**. The Draft ESIA Report is available for download from the SLR website (<https://www.slrconsulting.com/public-documents/BWKudu-ESIA>) and in hardcopy at the **Walvis Bay Public Library** (Nangolo Mbumba Drive, Civic Centre) and **Lüderitz Public Library** (Ring Street) from 12 February 2025.

## 3.0 Invitation to register on Project Database and provide Comment

To register as an interested and/or affected party and to provide comment on the Draft ESIA Report, please complete the **Registration / Comment Form** by scanning the QR Code or following this link to the online form (<https://forms.office.com/e/Fe8nP3nL9y>) or emailing SLR.

For comments to be included, and responded to, in the Final ESIA Report, they should reach SLR by **no later than 14 March 2025** using the contact details below.



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**SLR Website:** <https://www.slrconsulting.com/public-documents/BWKudu-ESIA>

## 4.0 Invitation to attend Public Meetings

We cordially invite all stakeholders to attend the public meetings in Lüderitz and Walvis Bay (details in the table below). The objectives of these public meetings are to provide an overview of the project proposal and findings of the ESIA process, as well as provide stakeholders a further opportunity to comment.

Location	Name of Venue	Date and Time
Luderitz	The Nest Hotel	18 February 2025, 10h00
Walvis Bay	The Protea Indongo Hotel	19 February 2025, 11h00

Should you have any queries in this regard please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

**SLR Environmental Consulting (Namibia) (Proprietary) Limited**

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**Note:** SLR is committed to the protection of any personal information submitted as part of this public participation process.



**BW KUDU LIMITED****Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for Proposed  
Appraisal Well Drilling in Block 2814A (PPL 003), Orange Basin,  
Off Southern Namibia****REGISTRATION & COMMENT FORM****12 February 2025**

<b>Date</b>			
<b>Name</b>			
<b>Organisation/Company</b>			
<b>Postal Address</b>			
	<b>Postal Code</b>		
<b>Telephone Number</b>			
<b>E-Mail Address</b>			
Please register me as an interested & affected party (I&AP) so that I may receive further information and notifications during the environmental authorisation process		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>How would you like to receive your notifications?</b>			
<b>E-mail:</b>		<b>SMS:</b>	<b>Post:</b>
<b>Please write your comments and questions here (please use separate sheets if you require)</b>			
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<b>Note:</b> You can also comment using the online Registration & Comment Form by scanning the QR Code or following this link ( <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/Fe8nP3nL9y">https://forms.office.com/e/Fe8nP3nL9y</a> ).			
<b>Please include the following of my colleagues/friends/neighbours as I&amp;APs for this project:</b>			
<b>Please return completed forms to:</b>			
<b>SLR contact:</b>	Robyn Christians	<b>Tel:</b>	061-231287
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<p>By providing your personal information for this ESIA you consent to SLR registering you on the Project I&amp;AP database. It is assumed that as an I&amp;AP for this ESIA you authorise SLR to retain and use your Personal Information as part of a contact database for this and/or other ESIAs and that you confirm your acceptance for SLR to contact you regarding this and/or other ESIA processes. SLR will not process your Personal Information, other than as permitted or required by ESIA processes, or as required by law or public policy. SLR will use reasonable, appropriate security safeguards in order to protect Personal Information, and to reasonably prevent any damage to, loss of, or unauthorised access or disclosure of Personal Information, other than as required for ESIA processes or as required by any Law or public policy. You may request for your Personal Information to be deleted from the I&amp;AP database at any time by contacting SLR.</p>			



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