



## NATIONAL NUCLEAR REGULATOR

*For the protection of persons, property and the environment  
against nuclear damage.*

### **MEETING BETWEEN THE NATIONAL NUCLEAR REGULATOR (NNR) AND CIVIL SOCIETY NGOs IN GAUTENG**

Date of Meeting: 6 June 2012

Venue: NNR Offices. Centurion

Time: 15:00 – 19:00

#### **In attendance**

##### *Civil Society Representatives:*

Makoma Lekalala (Earthlife Africa), Nerisha Baloevu (Earthlife Africa), Thabani Nxumalo (Inner City Resource Center), Precious Peter (Soweto Concerned Residents), Danny Mogotsi (Soweto Elec CC), Bob Garbett (Pelindaba Working Group)(PWG), Christine Garbett Coalition Against Nuclear Energy (CANE)/ PWG, Judith Taylor (Earthlife Africa, JHB), John van Vuuren (Pelindaba Public Safety Information Forum) (PSIF), Kate Holland (Greenpeace), Ferrial Adam (Greenpeace), Nomalizo Xhoma (Sustainable Energy and Climate Change Project) (SECCP)/ ELA, Sylvia Barnard (Federation for a Sustainable Environment) (FSE), Mariette Liefferink (FSE), Trudi Malan (Thyspunt Alliance).

##### *NNR Officials:*

Adv. Boyce Mkhize (CEO & Chairperson), Peter Bester, Ms Mphengoa Phooko, Thabo Tselane, Orion Phillips, Thiagan Pather, Senoelo Pheto, Patle Mohajane, Gino Moonsamy.

#### **1. Introduction**

Adv Boyce Mkhize, in his capacity as the Chief Executive Officer of the NNR welcomed the attendees and formally declared the Meeting open. He thereafter highlighted that a platform of this nature is considered to be an important

engagement mechanism for the stakeholders represented and should be an ongoing event. He then invited members to consider the draft Agenda for necessary amendment and approval.

## **2. Review of the minutes and Adoption of the Agenda**

Adv Boyce Mkhize informed that the NNR received a list of discussion points and questions from Civil Society representatives in preparation for this meeting. He stated that the NNR will respond to the questions and discussion points at this meeting. The agenda was reviewed and it was proposed that the issue of the Civil Society representation on the NNR Board be discussed as part of the NNR's overall presentation. The agenda was adopted without changes.

## **3. Presentation: NNR Responses to questions and discussion points proposed by Civil Society**

The presentation was conducted by Adv Boyce Mkhize who provided a detailed response to 34 questions posed by Civil Society. (refer to Appendix 1 attached hereto). He highlighted the NNR's commitment for improving communications with Civil Society in support of providing protection of persons, property and the environment against nuclear damage.

## **4. Resolutions stemming from the meeting**

It was resolved that;

- NNR should consider convening meetings with Civil Society Representatives in other provinces;
- Gauteng meetings to be scheduled in the mid-morning to cater for participants using public transport;
- NNR to investigate the establishment of Public Safety and Information Forums for communities affected by mining operations;
- NNR to provide more details on its early engagement with Eskom as reported in the Annual Report 2011;
- NNR to make available details of technical staff qualifications;

## **5. Closing**

It was requested that these meetings should take place on quarterly basis. The Chairperson thanked all participants for attending and closed the meeting.