

Subject: 2022-05-0038
Date: Tuesday, 31 May 2022 at 10:00:02 South Africa Standard Time
From: EIA Applications
To: Julliet Mahlangu
CC: Nyiko Nkosi, Dr. Danie Smit, EnviroAgri
Priority: High
Attachments: image001.png, Request pre-application meeting Castle to Hydra Transmission line, De Aar 2022 05 30.pdf, 2022-05-0038 DB Output.pdf

Dear Julliet.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

Type of Application: Pre-Application Meeting Request;
Reference Number: 2022-05-0038;
Date Received: 30/05/2022;
Action Required: Decide on meeting request.

Kindly let Ephron know which date the meeting is to be held, if it will be set.

EIA Applications

Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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From: Dirk Pretorius <dirk@enviroagri.com>
Sent: Monday, 30 May 2022 14:31
To: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Subject: Request for a pre-application meeting: Development of Castle to Hydra Transmission line, De Aar
Importance: High

Attention: Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations

Please find attached herewith the request for a pre-application meeting form.

Note that no meeting has been requested as detailed in the attached APPENDIX 3, ADDITIONAL INFO, Motivation for no meeting.

The reason for no meeting, in short, is that the route of the proposed overhead transmission line has been included in recent (2021) previous studies and several Basic Assessments and EIAs have been undertaken on the properties in question in recent years. Moreover, the OHL route is largely within an existing Eskom transmission servitude and upgrading of an existing overhead transmission line (OHL).

Note: as per the latest Pre-Application Meeting Request form point 4. reminded that it is not compulsory in terms of the EIA Regulations that a pre-application meeting must take place prior to an application being lodged with the Department. To this end please confirm that a meeting is not necessary since we will be submitting the application and draft BAR tomorrow 31 May 2022.

Kind regards,

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