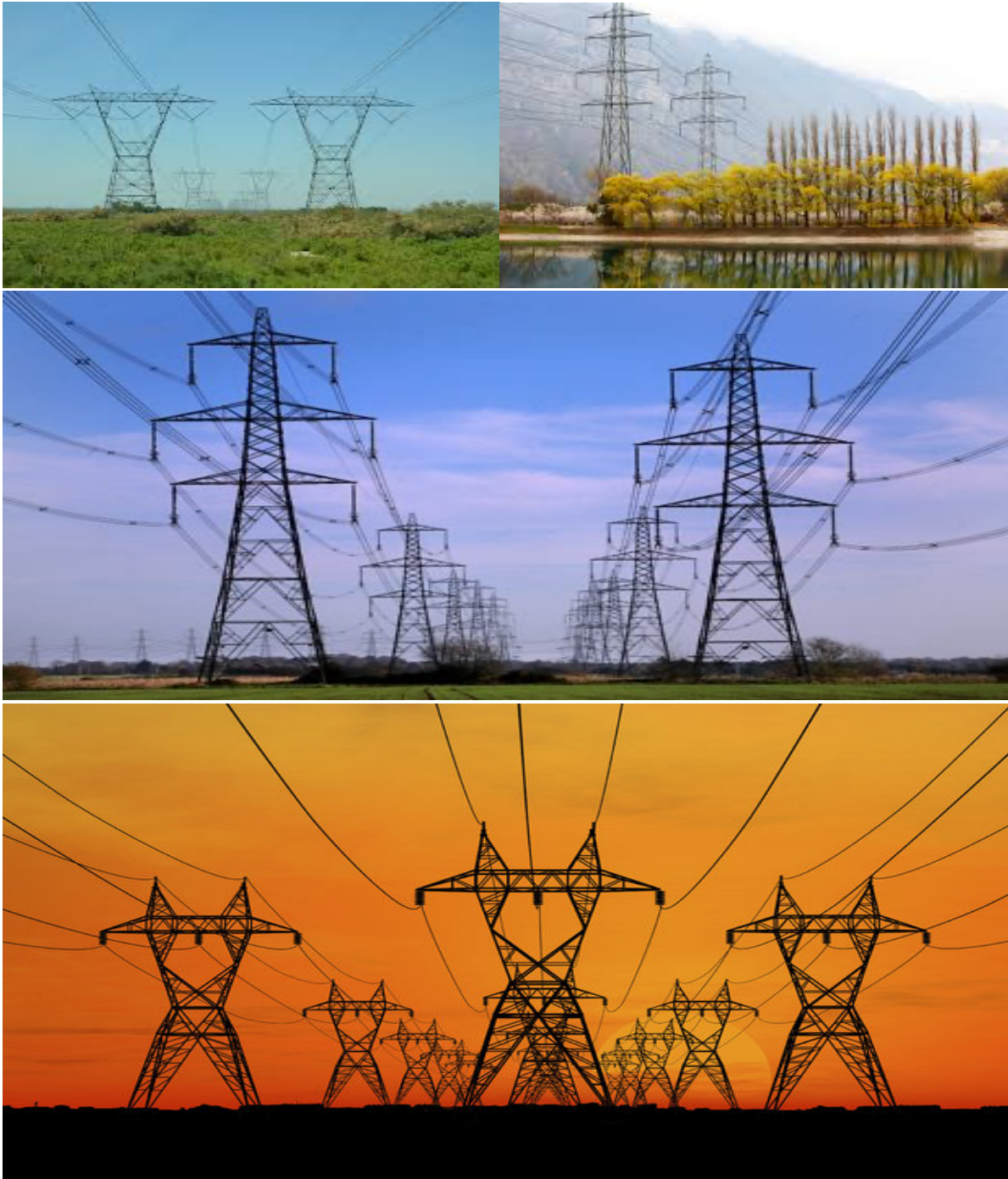


APPENDIX 1
GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPr) FOR THE
DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRICITY
TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION INFRASTRUCTURE



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INTRODUCTION

1. Background

The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) requires that an environmental management programme (EMPr) be submitted where an environmental impact assessment (EIA) has been identified as the environmental instrument to be utilised as the basis for a decision on an application for environmental authorisation (EA). The content of an EMPr must either contain the information set out in Appendix 4 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, (EIA Regulations) or must be a generic EMPr relevant to an application as identified and gazetted by the Minister in a government notice. Once the Minister has identified, through a government notice, that a generic EMPr is relevant to an application for EA, that generic EMPr must be applied by all parties involved in the EA process, including, but not limited to, the applicant and the competent authority (CA).

2. Purpose

This document constitutes a generic EMPr relevant to applications for the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure, and all listed and specified activities necessary for the realisation of such infrastructure.

3. Objective

The objective of this generic EMPr is to prescribe and pre-approve generally accepted impact management outcomes and impact management actions, which can commonly and repeatedly be used for the avoidance, management and mitigation of impacts and risks associated with the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure. The use of a generic EMPr is intended to reduce the need to prepare and review individual EMPrs for applications of a similar nature.

4. Scope

The scope of this generic EMPr applies to the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure requiring EA in terms of NEMA, i.e. with a capacity of 33 kilovolts or more. This generic EMPr applies to activities requiring EA, mainly activity 11 and 47 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014, as amended, and activity 9 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 2 of 2014, as amended, and all associated listed or specified activities necessary for the realisation of such infrastructure.

5. Structure of this document

This document is structured in three parts with an Appendix as indicated in the table below:

Part	Section	Heading	Content
A		Provides general guidance and information and is not legally binding	Definitions, acronyms, roles & responsibilities and documentation and reporting.
B	1	Pre-approved generic EMPr template	<p>Contains generally accepted impact management outcomes and impact management actions required for the avoidance, management and mitigation of impacts and risks associated with the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure, which are presented in the form of a template that has been pre-approved.</p> <p>The template in this section is to be completed by the contractor, with each completed page signed and dated by the holder of the EA prior to commencement of the activity.</p> <p>Where an impact management outcome is not relevant, the words "not applicable" can be inserted in the template under the "responsible persons" column.</p> <p>Once completed and signed, the template represents the EMPr for the activity approved by the CA and is legally binding. The template is not required to be submitted to the CA as once the generic EMPr is gazetted for implementation, it has been approved by the CA.</p> <p>To allow interested and affected parties access to the pre-approved EMPr template for consideration through the decision-making process, the EAP on behalf of the applicant /proponent must make the hard copy of this EMPr available at a public location and where the applicant has a website, the EMPr should also be made available on such publicly accessible website.</p>
	2	Site specific information	Contains preliminary infrastructure layout and a declaration that the applicant/holder of the EA will comply with the pre-approved generic EMPr template contained in <u>Part B: Section 1</u> , and understands that the impact management

Part	Section	Heading	Content
			<p>outcomes and impact management actions are legally binding. The preliminary infrastructure layout must be finalized to inform the final EMPr that is to be submitted with the basic assessment report (BAR) or environmental impact assessment report (EIAR), ensuring that all impact management outcomes and actions have been either pre-approved or approved in terms of <u>Part C</u>.</p> <p>This section must be submitted to the CA together with the final BAR or EIAR. The information submitted to the CA will be considered to be incomplete should a signed copy of <u>Part B: section 2</u> not be submitted. Once approved, this Section forms part of the EMPr for the development and is legally binding.</p>
C		Site specific sensitivities/ attributes	<p>If any specific environmental sensitivities/ attributes are present on the site which require site specific impact management outcomes and impact management actions, not included in the pre-approved generic EMPr, to manage impacts, these specific impact management outcomes and impact management actions must be included in this section. These specific environmental attributes must be referenced spatially and impact management outcomes and impact management actions must be provided. These specific impact management outcomes and impact management actions must be presented in the format of the pre-approved EMPr template (<u>Part B: section 1</u>)</p> <p>This section will not be required should the site contain no specific environmental sensitivities or attributes. However, if <u>Part C</u> is applicable to the site, it is required to be submitted together with the BAR or EIAR, for consideration of, and decision on, the application for EA. The information in this section must be prepared by an EAP, and must contain his/her name and expertise including a curriculum vitae. Once approved, Part C forms part of the EMPr for the site and is legally binding.</p> <p>This section applies only to additional impact management outcomes and impact</p>

Part	Section	Heading	Content
			management actions that are necessary for the avoidance, management and mitigation of impacts and risks associated with the specific development or expansion and which are not already included in <u>Part B: section 1</u> .
	Appendix 1		Contains the method statements to be prepared prior to commencement of the activity. The method statements are not required to be submitted to the competent authority.

6. Completion of part B: section 1: the pre-approved generic EMPr template

The template is to be completed prior to commencement of the activity, by providing the following information for each environmental impact management action:

- For implementation
 - a 'responsible person',
 - a method for implementation,
 - a timeframe for implementation
- For monitoring
 - a responsible person
 - frequency
 - evidence of compliance.

The completed template must be signed and dated by the holder of the EA prior to commencement of the activity. The method statements prepared and agreed to by the holder of the EA must be appended to the template as Appendix 1. Each method statement must be signed and dated on each page by the holder of the EA. This template, once signed and dated, is legally binding. The holder of the EA will remain responsible for its implementation.

7. Amendments of the impact management outcomes and impact management actions

Once the activity has commenced, a holder of an EA may make amendments to the impact management outcomes and impact management actions in the following manner:

- Amendment of the impact management outcomes: in line with the process contemplated in regulation 37 of the EIA Regulations; and
- Amendment of the impact management actions: in line with the process contemplated in regulation 36 of the EIA Regulations.

8. Documents to be submitted as part of part B: section 2 site specific information and declaration

Part B: Section 2 has three distinct sub-sections. The first and third sub-sections are in a template format. Sub-section two requires a map to be produced.

Sub-section 1 contains the project name, the applicant's name and contact details, the site information, which includes coordinates of the corridor in which the proposed overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure is proposed as well as the 21-digit Surveyor General code of each cadastral land parcel and, where available, the farm name.

Sub-section 2 is to be prepared by an EAP and must contain his/her name and expertise including a curriculum vitae. This sub-section must include a map of the site sensitivity overlaid with the preliminary infrastructure layout using the national web based environmental screening tool, when available for compulsory use at: <https://screening.environment.gov.za/screeningtool>. The sensitivity map shall identify the nature of each sensitive feature e.g. raptor nest, threatened plant species, archaeological site, etc. Sensitivity maps must identify features both within the planned working area and any known sensitive features in the surrounding landscape within 50m from the development footprint. The overhead transmission and distribution profile must be illustrated at an appropriate resolution to enable fine scale interrogation. It is recommended that <20 km of overhead transmission and distribution length is illustrated per page in A3 landscape format. Where considered appropriate, photographs of sensitive features in the context of tower positions must be used.

Sub-section 3 is the declaration that the applicant/proponent or holder of the EA in the case of a change of ownership must complete, which confirms that the applicant/EA holder will comply with the pre-approved generic EMPr template in Section 1 and understands that the impact management outcomes and actions are legally binding.

(a) Amendments to Part B: Section 2 – site specific information and declaration

Should the EA be transferred, Part B: Section 2 must be completed by the new applicant/proponent and submitted with the application for an amendment of the EA in terms of Regulations 29 or 31 of the EIA Regulations, whichever applies. The information submitted as part of such an application for an amendment to an EA will be considered to be incomplete should a signed copy of Part B: Section 2 not be submitted. Once approved, Part B: Section 2 forms part of the EMPr for the development and the EMPr becomes legally binding to the new EA holder.

PART A – GENERAL INFORMATION

1. DEFINITIONS

In this EMPr any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the NEMA or EIA Regulations has that meaning, and unless the context requires otherwise –

"clearing" means the clearing and removal of vegetation, whether partially or in whole, including trees and shrubs, as specified;

"construction camp" is the area designated for key construction infrastructure and services, including but not limited to offices, overnight vehicle parking areas, stores, the workshop, stockpile and lay down areas, hazardous storage areas (including fuels), the batching plant (if one is located at the construction camp), designated access routes, equipment cleaning areas and the placement of staff accommodation, cooking and ablution facilities, waste and wastewater management;

"contractor" - The Contractor has overall responsibility for ensuring that all work, activities, and actions linked to the delivery of the contract, are in line with the Environmental Management Programme and that Method Statements are implemented as described.

"hazardous substance" is a substance governed by the Hazardous Substances Act, 1973 (Act No. 15 of 1973) as well as the Hazardous Chemical and Substances Regulations, 1995;

"method statement" means a written submission by the Contractor to the Project Manager in response to this EMPr or a request by the Project Manager and ECO. The method statement must set out the equipment, materials, labour and method(s) the Contractor proposes using to carry out an activity identified by the Project Manager when requesting the Method Statement. This must be done in such detail that the Project Manager and ECO is able to assess whether the Contractor's proposal is in accordance with this specification and/or will produce results in accordance with this specification;

The method statement must cover applicable details with regard to:

- (i) Construction procedures;
- (ii) Plant, materials and equipment to be used;
- (iii) Transporting the equipment to and from site;
- (iv) How the plant/ material/ equipment will be moved while on site;
- (v) How and where the plant/ material/ equipment will be stored;
- (vi) The containment (or action to be taken if containment is not possible) of leaks or spills of any liquid or material that may occur;
- (vii) Timing and location of activities;
- (viii) Compliance/ non-compliance; and
- (ix) Any other information deemed necessary by the Project Manager.

"slope" means the inclination of a surface expressed as one unit of rise or fall for so many horizontal units;

“solid waste” means all solid waste, including construction debris, hazardous waste, excess cement/ concrete, wrapping materials, timber, cans, drums, wire, nails, food and domestic waste (e.g. plastic packets and wrappers);

“spoil” means excavated material which is unsuitable for use as material in the construction works or is material which is surplus to the requirements of the construction works;

“topsoil” means a varying depth (up to 300 mm) of the soil profile irrespective of the fertility, appearance, structure, agricultural potential, fertility and composition of the soil; and

“works” means the works to be executed in terms of the Contract

2. ACRONYMS and ABBREVIATIONS

CA	Competent Authority
cEO	Contractors Environmental Officer
dEO	Developer Environmental Officer
DPM	Developer Project Manager
DSS	Developer Site Supervisor
EAR	Environmental Audit Report
ECA	Environmental Conservation Act No. 73 of 1989
ECO	Environmental Control Officer
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ERAP	Emergency Response Action Plan
EMPr	Environmental Management Programme Report
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
FPA	Fire Protection Agency
HCS	Hazardous chemical Substance
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)
NEMBA	National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act ,2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004)
NEMWA	National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008)
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
RI&AP's	Registered interested and affected parties

3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPr) IMPLEMENTATION

The effective implementation of this generic EMPr is dependent on established and clear roles, responsibilities and reporting lines within an institutional framework. This section of the EMPr gives guidance to the various environmental roles and reporting lines, however, project specific requirements will ultimately determine the need for the appointment of specific person(s) to undertake specific roles and or responsibilities. As such, it must be noted that in the event that no specific person, for example, an environmental control officer (ECO) is appointed, the holder of the EA remains responsible for ensuring that the duties indicated in this document for action by the ECO are undertaken.

Table 1: Guide to roles and responsibilities for implementation of an EMPr

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
Developer's Project Manager (DPM)	<p><u>Role</u></p> <p>The Project Developer is accountable for ensuring compliance with the EMPr and any conditions of approval from the competent authority (CA). Where required, an environmental control officer (ECO) must be contracted by the Project Developer to objectively monitor the implementation of the EMPr according to relevant environmental legislation, and the conditions of the environmental authorisation (EA). The Project Developer is further responsible for providing and giving mandate to enable the ECO to perform responsibilities, and he must ensure that the ECO is integrated as part of the project team while remaining independent.</p> <p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be fully conversant with the conditions of the EA; - Ensure that all stipulations within the EMPr are communicated and adhered to by the Developer and its Contractor(s); - Issuing of site instructions to the Contractor for corrective actions required; - Monitor the implementation of the EMPr throughout the project by means of site inspections and meetings. Overall management of the project and EMPr implementation; and - Ensure that periodic environmental performance audits are undertaken on the project implementation.
Developer Site Supervisor (DSS)	<u>Role</u>

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
	<p>The DSS reports directly to the DPM, oversees site works, liaises with the contractor(s) and the ECO. The DSS is responsible for the day to day implementation of the EMPr and for ensuring the compliance of all contractors with the conditions and requirements stipulated in the EMPr.</p> <p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that all contractors identify a contractor's Environmental Officer (cEO); - Must be fully conversant with the conditions of the EA. Oversees site works, liaison with Contractor, DPM and ECO; - Must ensure that all landowners have the relevant contact details of the site staff, ECO and cEO; - Issuing of site instructions to the Contractor for corrective actions required; - Will issue all non-compliances to contractors; and - Ratify the Monthly Environmental Report.
Environmental Control Officer (ECO)	<p><u>Role</u></p> <p>The ECO should have appropriate training and experience in the implementation of environmental management specifications. The primary role of the ECO is to act as an independent quality controller and monitoring agent regarding all environmental concerns and associated environmental impacts. In this respect, the ECO is to conduct periodic site inspections, attend regular site meetings, pre-empt problems and suggest mitigation and be available to advise on incidental issues that arise. The ECO is also required to conduct compliance audits, verifying the monitoring reports submitted by the cEO. The ECO provides feedback to the DSS and Project Manager regarding all environmental matters. The Contractor, cEO and dEO are answerable to the Environmental Control Officer for non-compliance with the Performance Specifications as set out in the EA and EMPr.</p> <p>The ECO provides feedback to the DSS and Project Manager, who in turn reports back to the Contractor and potential and Registered Interested & Affected Parties' (RI&AP's), as required. Issues of non-compliance raised by the ECO must be taken up by the Project Manager, and resolved with the Contractor as per the conditions of his contract. Decisions regarding environmental procedures, specifications and requirements which have a cost implication (i.e. those that are deemed to be a variation, not allowed for in the Performance Specification) must be endorsed by the Project Manager. The ECO must also, as specified by the EA, report to the relevant CA as and when required.</p>

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
	<p data-bbox="730 276 920 300"><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <p data-bbox="730 312 1440 336">The responsibilities of the ECO will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="779 352 1839 376">- Be aware of the findings and conclusions of all EA related to the development; <li data-bbox="779 384 1800 408">- Be familiar with the recommendations and mitigation measures of this EMPr; <li data-bbox="779 416 2119 472">- Be conversant with relevant environmental legislation, policies and procedures, and ensure compliance with them; <li data-bbox="779 480 2119 536">- Undertake regular and comprehensive site inspections / audits of the construction site according to the generic EMPr and applicable licenses in order to monitor compliance as required; <li data-bbox="779 544 2119 600">- Educate the construction team about the management measures contained in the EMPr and environmental licenses; <li data-bbox="779 608 2119 663">- Compilation and administration of an environmental monitoring plan to ensure that the environmental management measures are implemented and are effective; <li data-bbox="779 671 2119 727">- Monitoring the performance of the Contractors and ensuring compliance with the EMPr and associated Method Statements; <li data-bbox="779 735 2119 791">- In consultation with the Developer Site Supervisor order the removal of person(s) and/or equipment which are in contravention of the specifications of the EMPr and/or environmental licenses; <li data-bbox="779 799 2119 855">- Liaison between the DPM, Contractors, authorities and other lead stakeholders on all environmental concerns; <li data-bbox="779 863 2119 919">- Compile a regular environmental audit report highlighting any non-compliance issues as well as satisfactory or exceptional compliance with the EMPr; <li data-bbox="779 927 2119 983">- Validating the regular site inspection reports, which are to be prepared by the contractor Environmental Officer (cEO); <li data-bbox="779 991 2119 1046">- Checking the cEO's record of environmental incidents (spills, impacts, legal transgressions etc) as well as corrective and preventive actions taken; <li data-bbox="779 1054 2119 1110">- Checking the cEO's public complaints register in which all complaints are recorded, as well as action taken; <li data-bbox="779 1118 1294 1142">- Assisting in the resolution of conflicts; <li data-bbox="779 1150 2119 1206">- Facilitate training for all personnel on the site – this may range from carrying out the training, to reviewing the training programmes of the Contractor; <li data-bbox="779 1214 2119 1270">- In case of non-compliances, the ECO must first communicate this to the Senior Site Supervisor, who has the power to ensure this matter is addressed. Should no action or insufficient action be taken, the ECO may report this matter to the authorities as non-compliance; <li data-bbox="779 1278 1429 1302">- Maintenance, update and review of the EMPr; <li data-bbox="779 1310 1809 1334">- Communication of all modifications to the EMPr to the relevant stakeholders.

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
<p>developer Environmental Officer (dEO)</p>	<p><u>Role</u></p> <p>The dEOs will report to the Project Manager and are responsible for implementation of the EMPr, environmental monitoring and reporting, providing environmental input to the Project Manager and Contractor's Manager, liaising with contractors and the landowners as well as a range of environmental coordination responsibilities.</p> <p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be fully conversant with the EMPr; - Be familiar with the recommendations and mitigation measures of this EMPr, and implement these measures; - Ensure that all stipulations within the EMPr are communicated and adhered to by the Employees, Contractor(s) ; - Confine the development site to the demarcated area; - Conduct environmental internal audits with regards to EMPr and authorisation compliance (on cEO); - Assist the contractors in addressing environmental challenges on site; - Assist in incident management: - Reporting environmental incidents to developer and ensuring that corrective action is taken, and lessons learnt shared; - Assist the contractor in investigating environmental incidents and compile investigation reports; - Follow-up on pre-warnings, defects, non-conformance reports; - Measure and communicate environmental performance to the Contractor; - Conduct environmental awareness training on site together with ECO and cEO; - Ensure that the necessary legal permits and / or licenses are in place and up to date; - Acting as Developer's Environmental Representative on site and work together with the ECO and contractor;
<p>Contractor</p>	<p><u>Role</u></p> <p>The Contractor appoints the cEO and has overall responsibility for ensuring that all work, activities, and actions linked to the delivery of the contract are in line with the EMPr and that Method Statements are implemented as described. External contractors must ensure compliance with this EMPr while performing the onsite activities as per their contract with the Project Developer. The contractors are required, where</p>

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
	<p>specified, to provide Method Statements setting out in detail how the impact management actions contained in the EMPr will be implemented during the development or expansion for overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure activities.</p> <p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - project delivery and quality control for the development services as per appointment; - employ a suitably qualified person to monitor and report to the Project Developer's appointed person on the daily activities on-site during the construction period; - ensure that safe, environmentally acceptable working methods and practices are implemented and that equipment is properly operated and maintained, to facilitate proper access and enable any operation to be carried out safely; - attend on site meeting(s) prior to the commencement of activities to confirm the procedure and designated activity zones; - ensure that contractors' staff repair, at their own cost, any environmental damage as a result of a contravention of the specifications contained in EMPr, to the satisfaction of the ECO.
contractor Environmental Officer (cEO)	<p><u>Role</u></p> <p>Each Contractor affected by the EMPr should appoint a cEO, who is responsible for the on-site implementation of the EMPr (or relevant sections of the EMPr). The Contractor's representative can be the site agent; site engineer; a dedicated environmental officer; or an independent consultant. The Contractor must ensure that the Contractor's Representative is suitably qualified to perform the necessary tasks and is appointed at a level such that she/he can interact effectively with other site Contractors, labourers, the Environmental Control Officer and the public. As a minimum the cEO shall meet the following criteria:</p> <p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be on site throughout the duration of the project and be dedicated to the project; - Ensure all their staff are aware of the environmental requirements, conditions and constraints with respect to all of their activities on site; - Implementing the environmental conditions, guidelines and requirements as stipulated within the EA, EMPr and Method Statements; - Attend the Environmental Site Meeting;

Responsible Person (s)	Role and Responsibilities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertaking corrective actions where non-compliances are registered within the stipulated timeframes; - Report back formally on the completion of corrective actions; - Assist the ECO in maintaining all the site documentation; - Prepare the site inspection reports and corrective action reports for submission to the ECO; - Assist the ECO with the preparing of the monthly report; and - Where more than one Contractor is undertaking work on site, each company appointed as a Contractor will appoint a cEO representing that company.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE

To ensure accountable and demonstrated implementation of the EMPr, a number of reporting systems, documentation controls and compliance mechanisms must be in place for all overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure projects as a minimum requirement.

4.1 Document control/Filing system

The holder of the EA is solely responsible for the upkeep and management of the EMPr file. At a minimum, all documentation detailed below will be stored in the EMPr file. A hard copy of all documentation shall be filed, while an electronic copy may be kept where relevant. A duplicate file will be maintained in the office of the DSS (where applicable). This duplicate file must remain current and up-to-date. The filing system must be updated and relevant documents added as required. The EMPr file must be made available at all times on request by the CA or other relevant authorities. The EMPr file will form part of any environmental audits undertaken as prescribed in the EIA Regulations.

4.2 Documentation to be available

At the outset of the project the following preliminary list of documents shall be placed in the filing system and be accessible at all times:

- Full copy of the signed EA from the CA in terms of NEMA, granting approval for the development or expansion;
- Copy of the generic and site specific EMPr as well as any amendments thereof;
- Copy of declaration of implementing generic EMPr and subsequent approval of site specific EMPr and amendments thereof;
- All method statements;
- Completed environmental checklists;
- Minutes and attendance register of environmental site meetings;
- An up-to-date environmental incident log;
- A copy of all instructions or directives issued;
- A copy of all corrective actions signed off. The corrective actions must be filed in such a way that a clear reference is made to the non-compliance record;
- Complaints register.

4.3 Weekly Environmental Checklist

The ECOs are required to complete a Weekly Environmental Checklist, the format of which is to be agreed prior to commencement of the activity. The ECOs are required to sign and date the checklist, retain a copy in the EMPr file and submit a copy of the completed checklist to the DSS on a weekly basis.

The checklists will form the basis for the Monthly Environmental Reports. Copies of all completed checklists will be attached as Annexures to the Environmental Audit Report as required in terms of the EIA Regulations.

4.4 Environmental site meetings

Minutes of the environmental site meetings shall be kept. The minutes must include an attendance register and will be attached to the Monthly Report that is distributed to attendees. Each set of minutes must clearly record "Matters for Attention" that will be reviewed at the next meeting.

4.5 Required Method Statements

The method statement will be done in such detail that the ECOs are enabled to assess whether the contractor's proposal is in accordance with the EMPr.

The method statement must cover applicable details with regard to:

- development procedures;
- materials and equipment to be used;
- getting the equipment to and from site;
- how the equipment/ material will be moved while on site;
- how and where material will be stored;
- the containment (or action to be taken if containment is not possible) of leaks or spills of any liquid or material that may occur;
- timing and location of activities;
- compliance/ non-compliance with the EMPr; and
- any other information deemed necessary by the ECOs.

Unless indicated otherwise by the Project Manager, the Contractor shall provide the following method statements to the Project Manager no less than 14 days prior to the commencement date of the activity:

- Site establishment – Camps, Lay-down or storage areas, satellite camps, infrastructure;
- Batch plants;
- Workshop or plant servicing;
- Handling, transport and storage of Hazardous Chemical Substance's;
- Vegetation management – Protected, clearing, aliens, felling;
- Access management – Roads, gates, crossings etc.;
- Fire plan;
- Waste management – transport, storage, segregation, classification, disposal (all waste streams);
- Social interaction – complaints management, compensation claims, access to properties etc.;
- Water – use (source, abstraction and disposal), access and all related information, crossings and mitigation;
- Emergency preparedness – Spills, training, other environmental emergencies;
- Dust and noise management methodologies;
- Fauna interaction and risk management – only if the risk was identified – wildlife interaction especially on game farms; and
- Heritage and palaeontology management.

The ECOs shall monitor and ensure that the contractors perform in accordance with these method statements. Completed and agreed method statements between the holder of the EA and the contractor shall be captured in Appendix 1.

4.6 Environmental Incident Log (Diary)

The ECOs are required to maintain an up-to-date and current Environmental Incident Log (environmental diary). The Environmental Incident Log is a means to record all environmental incidents and/or all non-compliance notice would not be issued. An environmental incident is defined as:

- Any deviation from the listed impact management actions (listed in this EMPr) that may be addressed immediately by the ECOs. (For example a contractor's staff member littering or a drip tray that has not been emptied);
- Any environmental impact resulting from an action or activity by a contractor in contravention of the environmental stipulations and guidelines listed in the EMPr which as a single event would have a minor impact but which if cumulative and continuous would have a significant effect (for example no toilet paper available in the ablutions for an afternoon); and
- General environmental information such as road kills or injured wildlife.

The ECOs are to record all environmental incidents in the Environmental Incident Log. All incidents regardless of severity must be reported to the Developer. The Log is to be kept in the EMPr file and at a minimum the following will be recorded for each environmental incident:

- The date and time of the incident;
- Description of the incident;
- The name of the Contractor responsible;
- The incident must be listed as significant or minor;
- If the incident is listed as significant, a non-compliance notice must be issued, and recorded in the log;
- Remedial or corrective action taken to mitigate the incident; and
- Record of repeat minor offences by the same contractor or staff member.

The Environmental Incident Log will be captured in the EAR.

4.7 Non-compliance

A non-compliance notice will be issued to the responsible contractor by the ECOs via the DSS or Project Manager. The non-compliance notice will be issued in writing; a copy filed in the EMPr file and will at a minimum include the following:

- Time and date of the non-compliance;
- Name of the contractor responsible;
- Nature and description of the non-compliance;
- Recommended / required corrective action; and
- Date by which the corrective action to be completed.
- The contractors shall act immediately when a notice of non-compliance is received and correct whatever is the cause for the issuing of the notice. Complaints received regarding activities on the development site pertaining to the environment shall be

recorded in a dedicated register and the response noted with the date and action taken. The ECO should be made aware of any complaints. Any non-compliance with the agreed procedures of the EMPr is a transgression of the various statutes and laws that define the manner by which the environment is managed. Failure to redress the cause shall be reported to the relevant CA for them to deal with the transgression, as it deems fit. The contractor is deemed not to have complied with the EMPr if, inter alia, There is a deviation from the environmental conditions, impact management outcomes and impact management actions , as approved in generic and site specific EMPr as relevant as set out in the EMPr, which deviation has, or may cause, an environmental impact.

4.8 Corrective action records

For each non-compliance notice issued, a documented corrective action must be recorded. On receiving a non-compliance notice from the DSS, the contractor's cEO will ensure that the corrective actions required take place within the stipulated timeframe. On completion of the corrective action the cEO is to issue a Corrective Action Report in writing to the ECOs. If satisfied that the corrective action has been completed, the ECOs are to sign-off on the Corrective Action Report, and attach the report to the non-compliance notice in the EMPr file. A corrective action is considered complete once the report has signed off by the ECOs.

4.9 Photographic record

A digital photographic record will be kept. The photographic record will be used to show before, during and post rehabilitation evidence of the project as well used in cases of damages claims if they arise. Each image must be dated and a brief description note attached.

The Contractor shall:

1. Allow the ECOs access to take photographs of all areas, activities and actions.

The ECOs shall keep an electronic database of photographic records which will include:

1. Pictures of all areas designated as work areas, camp areas, development sites and storage areas taken before these areas are set up;
2. All bunding and fencing;
3. Road conditions and road verges;
4. Condition of all farm fences;
5. Topsoil storage areas;
6. All areas to be cordoned off during construction;
7. Waste management sites;
8. Ablution facilities (inside and out);
9. Any non-conformances deemed to be "significant";
10. All completed corrective actions for non-compliances;
11. All required signage;
12. Photographic recordings of incidents;
13. All areas before, during and post rehabilitation; and
14. Include relevant photographs in the Final Environmental Audit Report.

4.10 Complaints register

The ECOs shall keep a current and up-to-date complaints register. The complaints register is to be a record of all complaints received from communities, stakeholders and individuals. The Complaints Record shall:

1. Record the name and contact details of the complainant;
2. Record the time and date of the complaint;
3. Contain a detailed description of the complaint;
4. Where relevant and appropriate, contain photographic evidence of the complaint or damage (ECOs to take relevant photographs); and
5. Contain a copy of the ECOs written response to each complaint received and keep a record of any further correspondence with the complainant. The ECO's written response will include a description of any corrective action to be taken and must be signed by the Contractor, ECO and affected party. Where a damage claim is issued by the complainant, the ECOs shall respond as described in **(section 4.11)** below.

4.11 Claims for damages

In the event that a Claim for Damages is submitted by a community, landowner or individual, the ECOs shall:

1. Record the full detail of the complaint as described in **(section 4.10)** above;
2. The DPM will evaluate the claim and associated damage and submit the evaluation to the Senior Site Representative for approval;
3. Following consideration by the DPM, the claim is to be resolved and settled immediately, or the reason for not accepting the claim communicated in writing to the claimant. Should the claimant not accept this, the ECO shall, in writing report the incident to the Developer's negotiator and legal department; and
4. A formal record of the response by the ECOs to the claimant as well as the rectification of the method of making payments not amount will be recorded in the EMPr file.

4.12 Interactions with affected parties

Open, transparent and good relations with affected landowners, communities and regional staff are an essential aspect to the successful management and mitigation of environmental impacts.

The ECOs shall:

1. Ensure that all queries, complaints and claims are dealt within an agreed timeframe;
2. Ensure that any or all agreements are documented, signed by all parties and a record of the agreement kept in the EMPr file;
3. Ensure that a complaints telephone numbers are made available to all landowners and affected parties; and
4. Ensure that contact with affected parties is courteous at all times;

4.13 Environmental audits

Internal environmental audits of the activity and implementation of the EMPr must be undertaken. The findings and outcomes must be included in the EMPr file and be submitted to the CA at intervals as indicated in the EA.

An Environmental Audit Report must be prepared monthly. The report will be tabled as the key point on the agenda of the Environmental Site Meeting. The Report is submitted for acceptance at the meeting and the final report will be circulated to the Project Manager and filed in the EMPr file. At a frequency determined by the EA, the ECOs shall submit the monthly reports to the CA. At a minimum the monthly report is to cover the following:

- Weekly Environmental Checklists;
- Deviations and non-compliances with the checklists;
- Non-compliances issued;
- Completed and reported corrective actions;
- Environmental Monitoring;
- General environmental findings and actions; and
- Minutes of the Bi-monthly Environmental Site Meetings.

4.14 Final environmental audits

On final completion of the rehabilitation and/or requirements of the EA a final EAR is to be prepared and submitted to the CA. The EAR must comply with Appendix 7 of the EIA Regulations.

PART B: SECTION 1: Pre-approved generic EMPr template

5. IMPACT MANAGEMENT OUTCOMES AND IMPACT MANAGEMENT ACTIONS

This section provides a pre-approved generic EMPr template with aspects that are common to the development of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure. There is a list of aspects identified for the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure, and for each aspect a set of prescribed impact management outcomes and associated impact management actions have been identified. Holders of EAs are responsible to ensure the implementation of these outcomes and actions for all projects as a minimum requirement, in order to mitigate the impact of such aspects identified for the development or expansion of overhead electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure.

The template provided below is to be completed by providing the information under each heading for each environmental impact management action.

The completed template must be signed and dated on each page by both the contractor and the holder of the EA prior to commencement of the activity. The method statements prepared and agreed to by the holder of the EA must be appended to the template as Appendix 1. Each method statement must also be duly signed and dated on each page by the contractor and the holder of the EA. This template, once signed and dated, is legally binding. The holder of the EA will remain responsible for its implementation.

5.1 Environmental awareness training

Impact management outcome: All onsite staff are aware and understands the individual responsibilities in terms of this EMPr.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All staff must receive environmental awareness training prior to commencement of the activities; - The Contractor must allow for sufficient sessions to train all personnel with no more than 20 personnel attending each course; - Refresher environmental awareness training is available as and when required; - All staff are aware of the conditions and controls linked to the EA and within the EMPr and made aware of their individual roles and responsibilities in achieving compliance with the EA and EMPr; - The Contractor must erect and maintain information posters at key locations on site, and the posters must include the following information as a minimum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Safety notifications; and b) No littering. - Environmental awareness training must include as a minimum the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Description of significant environmental impacts, actual or potential, related to their work activities; b) Mitigation measures to be implemented when carrying out specific activities; 	<p>The Contractor and the contract or Environmental Officer (cEO).</p>	<p>The Contractor and the cEO must ensure that construction staff undertake the compulsory Environmental Awareness Training Sessions. Information posters should be placed in accessible locations.</p>	<p>Pre-construction phase and construction phase (for any new staff).</p>	<p>The appointed Environmental Control Officer (ECO).</p>	<p>Monthly.</p>	<p>An Environmental Site File should be compiled and maintained by the cEO for the duration of the construction phase. This file should include proof of training, attendance registers, etc., and the ECO should</p>

<p>c) Emergency preparedness and response procedures;</p> <p>d) Emergency procedures;</p> <p>e) Procedures to be followed when working near or within sensitive areas;</p> <p>f) Wastewater management procedures;</p> <p>g) Water usage and conservation;</p> <p>h) Solid waste management procedures;</p> <p>i) Sanitation procedures;</p> <p>j) Fire prevention; and</p> <p>k) Disease prevention.</p> <p>– A record of all environmental awareness training courses undertaken as part of the EMPr must be available;</p> <p>– Educate workers on the dangers of open and/or unattended fires;</p> <p>– A staff attendance register of all staff to have received environmental awareness training must be available.</p> <p>– Course material must be available and presented in appropriate languages that all staff can understand.</p>						<p>review this file and include copies of the relevant documents as appendices to the monthly audit reports.</p>
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5.2 Site Establishment development

Impact management outcome: Impacts on the environment are minimised during site establishment and the development footprint are kept to demarcated development area.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A method statement must be provided by the contractor prior to any onsite activity that includes the layout of the construction camp in the form of a plan showing the location of key infrastructure and services (where applicable), including but not limited to offices, overnight vehicle parking areas, stores, the workshop, stockpile and lay down areas, hazardous materials storage areas (including fuels), the batching plant (if one is located at the construction camp), designated access routes, equipment cleaning areas and the placement of staff accommodation, cooking and ablution facilities, waste and wastewater management; – Location of camps must be within approved area to ensure that the site does not impact on sensitive areas identified in the environmental assessment or site walk through; – Sites must be located where possible on previously disturbed areas; – The camp must be fenced in accordance with Section 5.5: Fencing and gate installation; and – The use of existing accommodation for contractor staff, where possible, is encouraged. 	The Contractor.	Submission of a detailed Method Statement for approval.	Pre-construction phase.	The appointed ECO.	Monthly.	Evidence of compliance as well as a copy of the Method Statement to be submitted to the ECO and appended to the pre-construction audit report.

5.3 Access restricted areas

Impact management outcome: Access to restricted areas prevented.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification of access restricted areas is to be informed by the environmental assessment, site walk through, and any additional areas identified during development; - Erect, demarcate and maintain a temporary barrier with clear signage around the perimeter of any access restricted area, colour coding could be used if appropriate; and - Unauthorised access and development related activity inside access restricted areas is prohibited. 	The Contractor and the cEO.	Demarcation and relevant signage.	Pre-construction phase and construction phase.	The ECO.	Weekly.	The ECO must monitor the site to ensure that these areas have been demarcated (photographic evidence) and that construction is not taking place within restricted areas.

5.4 Access roads

Impact management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment through the planned and restricted movement of vehicles on site.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to the servitude and tower positions must be negotiated with the relevant landowner and must fall within the assessed and authorised area; - An access agreement must be formalised and signed by the DPM, Contractor and landowner before commencing with the activities; - The access roads to tower positions must be signposted after access has been negotiated and before the commencement of the activities; - All private roads used for access to the servitude must be maintained and upon completion of the works, be left in at least the original condition - All contractors must be made aware of all these access routes. - Any access route deviation from that in the written agreement must be closed and re-vegetated immediately, at the contractor's expense; - Maximum use of both existing servitudes and existing roads must be made to minimize further disturbance through the development of new roads; - In circumstances where private roads must be used, the condition of the said roads must be recorded in accordance with section 4.9: photographic record; prior to use and the condition thereof agreed by the landowner, the DPM, and the contractor; - Access roads in flattish areas must follow fence lines and tree belts to avoid fragmentation of vegetated areas or croplands. 	<p>The Developer Site Supervisor (DSS), the Contractor, the cEO and the affected landowners.</p>	<p>Formal Access Agreement with landowners and in accordance with the conditions of the EA relating to access roads.</p>	<p>Continual.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>Prior to the commencement of the construction phase and monthly thereafter.</p>	<p>The Contractor must provide a copy of the access agreement, as well as any specific conditions, to the ECO. The cEO should keep a photographic record of the access road signage as well as the access general condition of the access roads.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access roads must only be developed on pre-planned and approved roads. 						
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5.5 Fencing and Gate installation

Impact management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and ensure safe and controlled access to the site through the erection of fencing and gates where required.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use existing gates provided to gain access to all parts of the area authorised for development, where possible; - Existing and new gates to be recorded and documented in accordance with section 4.9: photographic record; - All gates must be fitted with locks and be kept locked at all times during the development phase, unless otherwise agreed with the landowner; - At points where the line crosses a fence in which there is no suitable gate within the extent of the line servitude, on the instruction of the DPM, a gate must be installed at the approval of the landowner; - Care must be taken that the gates must be so erected that there is a gap of no more than 100 mm between the bottom of the gate and the ground; 	<p>The Contractor.</p>	<p>A Method Statement, detailing the proposed new gates and fences, should be submitted by the Contractor to the Developer Site Supervisor (DSS) and the ECO for approval prior to the construction of the new gates and fencing. Access at gates</p>	<p>Pre-construction and construction phases.</p>	<p>The DSS, the cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>Prior to the commencement of the construction phase and monthly thereafter</p>	<p>Photographic evidence of all new gates and fenced-off areas should be included in the monthly audit reports. Copies of the access registers must be submitted to the cEO for</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where gates are installed in jackal proof fencing, a suitable reinforced concrete sill must be provided beneath the gate; - Original tension must be maintained in the fence wires; - All gates installed in electrified fencing must be re-electrified; - All demarcation fencing and barriers must be maintained in good working order for the duration of overhead transmission and distribution electricity infrastructure development activities; - Fencing must be erected around the camp, batching plants, hazardous storage areas, and all designated access restricted areas, where appropriate and would not cause harm to the sensitive flora; - Any temporary fencing to restrict the movement of life-stock must only be erected with the permission of the land owner. - All fencing must be developed of high quality material bearing the SABS mark; - The use of razor wire as fencing must be avoided; - Fenced areas with gate access must remain locked after hours, during weekends and on holidays if staff is away from site. Site security will be required at all times; - On completion of the development phase all temporary fences are to be removed; - The contractor must ensure that all fence uprights are appropriately removed, ensuring that no uprights are cut at ground level but rather removed completely. 		<p>should be monitored, an access register should be maintained daily, and all fences must be maintained throughout the construction phase to ensure site security.</p>				<p>inclusion in the environmental file.</p>
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5.6 Water Supply Management

Impact management outcome: Undertake responsible water usage.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All abstraction points or bore holes must be registered with the DWS and suitable water meters installed to ensure that the abstracted volumes are measured on a daily basis; - The Contractor must ensure the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The vehicle abstracting water from a river does not enter or cross it and does not operate from within the river; b. No damage occurs to the riverbed or banks and that the abstraction of water does not entail stream diversion activities; and c. All reasonable measures to limit pollution or sedimentation of the downstream watercourse are implemented. - Ensure water conservation is being practiced by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Minimising water use during cleaning of equipment; b. Undertaking regular audits of water systems; and c. Including a discussion on water usage and conservation during environmental awareness training. d. The use of grey water is encouraged. 	<p>The Contractor and the cEO.</p>	<p>All construction staff should receive Environmental Awareness Training. The Contractor and the cEO should monitor and supervise the construction staff to ensure that watercourses are not damaged during construction.</p>	<p>Construction phase.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>The cEO should be responsible for monitoring on a daily basis and report to the ECO on a monthly basis. Should a watercourse be damaged, the cEO should report it to the ECO immediately.</p>	<p>The cEO should keep photographic evidence of development within proximity to watercourses. The ECO should include the photographic evidence in the monthly audit reports. The cEO should provide the ECO with copies of the attendance registers as proof that construction staff have received Environmental</p>

						Awareness Training.
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5.7 Storm and waste water management

Impact management outcome: Impacts to the environment caused by storm water and wastewater discharges during construction are avoided.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Runoff from the cement/ concrete batching areas must be strictly controlled, and contaminated water must be collected, stored and either treated or disposed of off-site, at a location approved by the project manager; - All spillage of oil onto concrete surfaces must be controlled by the use of an approved absorbent material and the used absorbent material disposed of at an appropriate waste disposal facility; - Natural storm water runoff not contaminated during the development and clean water can be discharged directly to watercourses and water bodies, subject to the Project Manager's approval and support by the ECO; - Water that has been contaminated with suspended solids, such as soils and silt, may be released into watercourses or water bodies only once all suspended solids have been removed from the water by settling out these solids in settlement ponds. The release of settled water back into the 	The Contractor and the cEO	A Stormwater Management Plan and Waste Management Plan should be compiled and implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. The cEO should obtain copies of all waste removal slips for inclusion in the Environmental File.	Construction phase.	The cEO and the ECO.	The cEO should monitor stormwater and wastewater management throughout the duration of the Construction Phase and report to the ECO on a monthly basis.	Copies of the waste removal slips should be included in the ECO's monthly audit reports. The cEO and the ECO should monitor the Contractor's compliance with the Stormwater Management Plan and Waste Management Plan and

environment must be subject to the Project Manager's approval and support by the ECO.						photographic evidence should be obtained when necessary.
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5.8 Solid and hazardous waste management

Impact management outcome: Waste is appropriately stored, handled and safely disposed of at a recognised waste facility.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All measures regarding waste management must be undertaken using an integrated waste management approach; - Sufficient, covered waste collection bins (scavenger and weatherproof) must be provided; - A suitably positioned and clearly demarcated waste collection site must be identified and provided; - The waste collection site must be maintained in a clean and orderly manner; - Waste must be segregated into separate bins and clearly marked for each waste type for recycling and safe disposal; - Staff must be trained in waste segregation; - Bins must be emptied regularly; 	The Contractor and the cEO	The Waste Management Plan must be implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. The Contractor must ensure that all construction staff wear the correct Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The cEO should obtain copies of	Construction phase.	The cEO and the ECO.	The cEO should monitor waste management throughout the duration of the Construction Phase and report to the ECO on a monthly basis.	Copies of the waste removal slips and certificates should be included in the ECO's monthly audit reports. The cEO and the ECO should monitor the Contractor's compliance with the

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General waste produced onsite must be disposed of at registered waste disposal sites/ recycling company; - Hazardous waste must be disposed of at a registered waste disposal site; - Certificates of safe disposal for general, hazardous and recycled waste must be maintained. 		<p>all waste removal slips for inclusion in the Environmental File.</p>				<p>Waste Management Plan and photographic evidence should be obtained when necessary.</p>
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5.9 Protection of watercourses and estuaries

Impact management outcome: Pollution and contamination of the watercourse environment and or estuary erosion are prevented.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All watercourses must be protected from direct or indirect spills of pollutants such as solid waste, sewage, cement, oils, fuels, chemicals, aggregate tailings, wash and contaminated water or organic material resulting from the Contractor's activities; - In the event of a spill, prompt action must be taken to clear the polluted or affected areas; - Where possible, no development equipment must traverse any seasonal or permanent wetland - No return flow into the estuaries must be allowed and no disturbance of the Estuarine Functional Zone should occur; 	<p>The Contractor.</p>	<p>The Waste Management Plan must be implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. Water use authorisation must be obtained prior to the commencement of the</p>	<p>Pre-construction phase and construction phase.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>Daily monitoring by the cEO and monthly monitoring by the ECO.</p>	<p>Copies of the water use authorisations must be submitted to the ECO and included in the Environmental File. The cEO and ECO must</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development of permanent watercourse or estuary crossing must only be undertaken where no alternative access to tower position is available; - There must not be any impact on the long-term morphological dynamics of watercourses or estuaries; - Existing crossing points must be favored over the creation of new crossings (including temporary access) - When working in or near any watercourse or estuary, the following environmental controls and consideration must be taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Water levels during the period of construction; No altering of the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse b) During the execution of the works, appropriate measures to prevent pollution and contamination of the riparian environment must be implemented e.g. including ensuring that construction equipment is well maintained; c) Where earthwork is being undertaken in close proximity to any watercourse, slopes must be stabilised using suitable materials, i.e. sandbags or geotextile fabric, to prevent sand and rock from entering the channel; and d) Appropriate rehabilitation and re-vegetation measures for the watercourse banks must be implemented timeously. In this regard, the banks should be appropriately and incrementally stabilised as soon as development allows. 		<p>Construction Phase. Adherence with the conditions of General Authorisations and/or Water Use Licenses, issued in terms of the National Water Act (NWA, Act No. 36 of 1998, as amended). The CEO and/or the Contractor must notify the ECO of all direct and/or indirect spills of pollutants into the watercourses.</p>				<p>monitor the Contractor's compliance with the conditions of the water use authorisations. Photographic evidence should be included in the monthly audit reports of any direct and/or indirect spills of pollutants into the watercourses. All major non-compliances relating to the pollution of watercourses must be reported to the relevant competent.</p>
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5.10 Vegetation clearing

Impact management outcome: Vegetation clearing is restricted to the authorised development footprint of the proposed infrastructure.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<p>General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Indigenous vegetation which does not interfere with the development must be left undisturbed; - Protected or endangered species may occur on or near the development site. Special care should be taken not to damage such species; - Search, rescue and replanting of all protected and endangered species likely to be damaged during project development must be identified by the relevant specialist and completed prior to any development or clearing; - Permits for removal must be obtained from the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries prior to the cutting or clearing of the affected species, and they must be filed; - The Environmental Audit Report must confirm that all identified species have been rescued and replanted and that the location of replanting is compliant with conditions of approvals; - Trees felled due to construction must be documented and form part of the Environmental Audit Report; - Rivers and watercourses must be kept clear of felled trees, vegetation cuttings and debris; 	<p>The Contractor and a Botanical Specialist (appointed to undertake Search and Rescue).</p>	<p>No-go areas must be demarcated or fenced-off, and construction staff must be informed of all no-go areas. All relevant permits must be obtained prior to the clearance of vegetation or the pruning of protected trees. An Alien Vegetation Management Plan should be compiled and implemented. All alien vegetation must be disposed of in accordance with the Alien</p>	<p>Pre-construction phase and construction phases.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>Daily monitoring by the cEO and monthly monitoring by the ECO.</p>	<p>Copies of all relevant plant removal permits must be included in the pre-construction audit report. Photographic evidence of the Floral Search and Rescue must be included in the pre-construction audit report. The Contractor's compliance with the Alien Vegetation</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Only a registered pest control operator may apply herbicides on a commercial basis and commercial application must be carried out under the supervision of a registered pest control operator, supervision of a registered pest control operator or is appropriately trained; - A daily register must be kept of all relevant details of herbicide usage; - No herbicides must be used in estuaries; - All protected species and sensitive vegetation not removed must be clearly marked and such areas fenced off in accordance with Section 5.3: Access restricted areas. <p>Servitude:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vegetation that does not grow high enough to cause interference with overhead transmission and distribution infrastructures, or cause a fire hazard to any plantation, must not be cut or trimmed unless it is growing in the road access area, and then only at the discretion of the Project Manager; - Where clearing for access purposes is essential, the maximum width to be cleared within the servitude must be in accordance with distance as agreed between the land owner and the EA holder - Alien invasive vegetation must be removed according to a plan (in line with relevant municipal and provincial procedures, guidelines and recommendations) and disposed of at a recognised waste disposal facility; - Vegetation must be trimmed where it is likely to intrude on the minimum vegetation clearance distance (MVCD) or will intrude on this distance before the next scheduled clearance. MVCD is determined from SANS 10280; - Debris resulting from clearing and pruning must be disposed of at a recognised waste disposal facility, unless the landowners wish to retain the cut vegetation; 		<p>Vegetation Management Plan and disposal slips/certificates should be obtained. A suitably qualified Botanical Specialist should be appointed to undertake a thorough Search and Rescue prior to the commencement of the construction phase.</p>			<p>Management Plan must be monitored and disposal slips/certificates must be included the Environmental File. Record, including GPS coordinates and photographs, must be kept of all trees felled during construction .</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the case of the development of new overhead transmission and distribution infrastructures, a one metre "trace-line" must be cut through the vegetation for stringing purposes only and no vehicle access must be cleared along the" trace-line". Alternative methods of stringing which limit impact to the environment must always be considered. 						
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5.11 Protection of fauna

Impact management outcome: Minimise disturbance to fauna.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No interference with livestock must occur without the landowner's written consent and with the landowner or a person representing the landowner being present; - The breeding sites of raptors and other wild birds' species must be taken into consideration during the planning of the development programme; - Breeding sites must be kept intact and disturbance to breeding birds must be avoided. Special care must be taken where nestlings or fledglings are present; - Nesting sites on existing parallel lines must be documented; - Special recommendations of the avian specialist must be adhered to at all times to prevent unnecessary disturbance of birds; - Bird guards and diverters must be installed on the new line as per the recommendations of the specialist; 	The Contractor.	No-go areas, including any highly sensitive faunal habitats and no-go areas identified by the Avifaunal Specialist, must be demarcated or fenced-off, and construction staff must be informed of all no-go areas. The conditions of the Ecological Assessment	All phases of development.	The cEO, the ECO and an Avifaunal Specialist must be appointed, where necessary or according to the conditions of the Avifaunal Assessment Report and/or the	Daily monitoring by the cEO, monthly monitoring and reporting by the ECO. Avifaunal Specialist monitoring in accordance with the	Copies of all relevant faunal permits must be included in the pre-construction audit report. Photographic evidence of the Faunal Search and Rescue must be included in

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No poaching must be tolerated under any circumstances. All animal dens in close proximity to the works areas must be marked as Access restricted areas; - No deliberate or intentional killing of fauna is allowed; - In areas where snakes are abundant, snake deterrents to be deployed on the pylons to prevent snakes climbing up, being electrocuted and causing power outages; and - No Threatened or Protected species (ToPs) and/or protected fauna as listed according NEMBA (Act No. 10 of 2004) and relevant provincial ordinances may be removed and/or relocated without appropriate authorisations/permits. 		<p>Report and Avifaunal Assessment Report must be adhered to for all relevant phases of development.</p>		<p>EA, to undertake the required monitoring.</p>	<p>conditions of the EA.</p>	<p>the pre-construction audit report. The ECO, where necessary in consultation with the Avifaunal Specialist, must report on the Contractor's compliance with the recommendations and mitigation measures specified in the Avifaunal Assessment Report.</p>
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5.12 Protection of heritage resources

Impact management outcome: Minimise impact to heritage resources.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation	Monitoring
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	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify, demarcate and prevent impact to all known sensitive heritage features on site in accordance with the No-Go procedure in Section 5.3: Access restricted areas; - Carry out general monitoring of excavations for potential fossils, artefacts and material of heritage importance; - All work must cease immediately, if any human remains and/or other archaeological, palaeontological and historical material are uncovered. Such material, if exposed, must be reported to the nearest museum, archaeologist/palaeontologist (or the South African Police Services), so that a systematic and professional investigation can be undertaken. Sufficient time must be allowed to remove/collect such material before development recommences. 	The Contractor.	All identified sensitive heritage resources must be demarcated. Construction staff must be educated on the identification of sensitive archaeological and palaeontological resources. The relevant permits must be obtained prior to the commencement of the construction phase. All mitigation measures stipulated in the Heritage Assessment Report and Palaeontological Assessment Report must be implemented during the	All phases of development.	The CEO, the ECO and a suitably qualified Archaeological and/or Palaeontological Specialist must be appointed, where necessary, or according to the conditions of the Archaeological and Palaeontological Assessment Reports and the EA, to undertake the required monitoring.	The CEO should monitor excavations and any archaeological and palaeontological resources which are identified must be reported to the ECO. The ECO must report these findings to a suitably qualified specialist and include the findings as well as the specialist's recommendations in the monthly	The pre-construction audit report should include copies all relevant permits as well as photographic evidence of the demarcated sites. The GPS coordinates, specialist's recommendations and photographs of any archaeological or palaeontological findings which are identified during the construction phase must be included in the monthly

		specified phases of development.			audit reports.	audit reports. Where necessary, additional permits must be obtained from the relevant competent authorities. The ECO should report on the Contractor's compliance with the relevant mitigation measures.
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5.13 Safety of the public

Impact management outcome: All precautions are taken to minimise the risk of injury, harm or complaints.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify fire hazards, demarcate and restrict public access to these areas as well as notify the local authority of any potential threats e.g., large brush stockpiles, fuels etc.; - All unattended open excavations must be adequately fenced or demarcated; - Adequate protective measures must be implemented to prevent unauthorised access to and climbing of partly constructed towers and protective scaffolding; - Ensure structures vulnerable to high winds are secured; - Maintain an incidents and complaints register in which all incidents or complaints involving the public are logged. 	<p>The Contractor and the appointed Community Liaison Offer (CLO).</p>	<p>All safety mitigation measures, including those stipulated in the Socio-Economic Assessment Report and the EA, must be implemented during the relevant phases of development. A suitably qualified CLO must be appointed to engage with the public and to maintain a complaints and incidents register. The Contractor must erect signage containing all emergency contact details, including the CLO contact details.</p>	<p>All phases of development.</p>	<p>The and ECO. CLO the</p>	<p>Any complaints or incidents, identified by or reported to the CLO should be submitted to the ECO as they are identified/r eceived.</p>	<p>The CLO must compile and maintain an incident and complaints register. This should be submitted to the ECO on a monthly basis for inclusion in the monthly audit reports. Photographic evidence of the emergency contact details signage must be included in the relevant audit report(s). The ECO must inspect the demarcation of all identified</p>
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						hazardous areas within the site, including open excavations and include photographic evidence in the audit report(s).
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5.14 Sanitation

Impact management outcome: Clean and well maintained toilet facilities are available to all staff in an effort to minimise the risk of disease and impact to the environment.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobile chemical toilets are installed onsite if no other ablution facilities are available; The use of ablution facilities and or mobile toilets must be used at all times and no indiscriminate use of the veld for the purposes of ablutions must be permitted under any circumstances; 	The Contractor.	The implementation and management of sanitation facilities must be in accordance	Construction Phase.	The ECO.	The ECO should monitor the maintenance of the sanitation	Copies of the waste disposal certificates must be submitted to the ECO for

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where mobile chemical toilets are required, the following must be ensured: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Toilets are located no closer than 100 m to any watercourse or water body; b) Toilets are secured to the ground to prevent them from toppling due to wind or any other cause; c) No spillage occurs when the toilets are cleaned or emptied and the contents are managed in accordance with the EMPr; d) Toilets have an external closing mechanism and are closed and secured from the outside when not in use to prevent toilet paper from being blown out; e) Toilets are emptied before long weekends and workers holidays, and must be locked after working hours; f) Toilets are serviced regularly and the ECO must inspect toilets to ensure compliance to health standards; - A copy of the waste disposal certificates must be maintained. 		<p>with the conditions of this EMPr, the conditions of the EA and the Waste Management Plan.</p>			<p>facilities for inclusion in the monthly audit reports.</p>	<p>inclusion in the audit reports. The ECO should monitor the Contractor's compliance with the Waste Management Plan as well as the general levels of sanitation on the site.</p>
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5.15 Prevention of disease

Impact Management outcome: All necessary precautions linked to the spread of disease are taken.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertake environmentally friendly pest control in the camp area; 	<p>The Contractor.</p>	<p>The Contractor should ensure that information</p>	<p>Construction phase.</p>	<p>The ECO.</p>	<p>The ECO should report on</p>	<p>The ECO should monitor the</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that the workforce is sensitised to the effects of sexually transmitted diseases, especially HIV AIDS; - The Contractor must ensure that information posters on AIDS are displayed in the Contractor Camp area; - Information and education relating to sexually transmitted diseases to be made available to both construction workers and local community, where applicable; - Free condoms must be made available to all staff on site at central points; - Medical support must be made available; - Provide access to Voluntary HIV Testing and Counselling Services. 		<p>posters are placed within the site camp and provision should be made for medical guidance/support, where necessary.</p>			<p>the measures which have been implemented to prevent disease on a monthly basis.</p>	<p>compliance with these management actions through verbal discussions with the Contractor, construction staff and photographic evidence of information posters.</p>
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5.16 Emergency procedures

Impact management outcome: Emergency procedures are in place to enable a rapid and effective response to all types of environmental emergencies.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compile an Emergency Response Action Plan (ERAP) prior to the commencement of the proposed project; 	<p>The Contractor.</p>	<p>An Emergency Response Action Plan (ERAP) should be</p>	<p>All phases of development.</p>	<p>The ECO.</p>	<p>Whenever required.</p>	<p>The ECO should review the ERAP prior to</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Emergency Plan must deal with accidents, potential spillages and fires in line with relevant legislation; - All staff must be made aware of emergency procedures as part of environmental awareness training; - The relevant local authority must be made aware of a fire as soon as it starts; - In the event of emergency necessary mitigation measures to contain the spill or leak must be implemented (see Hazardous Substances section 5.17). 		<p>compiled during the pre-construction phase and implemented throughout the construction phase, as well as during the operational phase. Emergency contact details should be clearly displayed at relevant locations onsite and the details should include all relevant emergency contacts details which are relevant to the area, which must include but not be limited to the Fire Protection Agency (FPA), the South African Police Service (SAPS), healthcare facilities (including ambulance),</p>			<p>the commencement of the construction phase, monitor the implementation of the conditions and mitigation relating to emergency procedures, including the availability of emergency contact details within the site, and ensure that the correct procedures and relevant individuals and organisations are contacted if/when an emergency occurs. The</p>
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		<p>snake/scorpion/ spider bite hotline.</p>				<p>Contractor should advise the ECO of any emergencies which occur onsite, together with a record of action taken, within twenty-four (24) hours of the emergency occurring. The ECO must include any emergencies and procedures followed in the relevant audit report(s) and include photographic evidence, where available.</p>
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5.17 Hazardous substances

Impact management outcome: Safe storage, handling, use and disposal of hazardous substances.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The use and storage of hazardous substances to be minimised and non-hazardous and non-toxic alternatives substituted where possible; - All hazardous substances must be stored in suitable containers as defined in the Method Statement; - Containers must be clearly marked to indicate contents, quantities and safety requirements; - All storage areas must be bunded. The bunded area must be of sufficient capacity to contain a spill / leak from the stored containers; - Bunded areas to be suitably lined with a SABS approved liner; - An Alphabetical Hazardous Chemical Substance (HCS) control sheet must be drawn up and kept up to date on a continuous basis; - All hazardous chemicals that will be used on site must have Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS); - All employees working with HCS must be trained in the safe use of the substance and according to the safety data sheet; - Employees handling hazardous substances / materials must be aware of the potential impacts and follow appropriate safety measures. Appropriate personal protective equipment must be made available; 	<p>The Contractor and the cEO.</p>	<p>The Waste Management Plan and Stormwater Management Plan must be implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. The Contractor must ensure that all construction staff wear the necessary PPE. The cEO should obtain copies of all waste removal slips for inclusion in the Environmental File. Method Statements should be submitted for</p>	<p>Construction phase.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>The cEO should monitor waste management and stormwater management throughout the duration of the Construction Phase and report to the ECO on a monthly basis or within 24 hours of an emergency.</p>	<p>The ECO must monitor the Contractor's compliance with all relevant conditions in the environmental documents and all Method Statements, the Stormwater Management Plan and the Waste Management Plan. In addition, the ECO should check</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Contractor must ensure that diesel and other liquid fuel, oil and hydraulic fluid is stored in appropriate storage tanks or in bowsers; - The tanks/ bowsers must be situated on a smooth impermeable surface (concrete) with a permanent bund. The impermeable lining must extend to the crest of the bund and the volume inside the bund must be 130% of the total capacity of all the storage tanks/ bowsers (110% statutory requirement plus an allowance for rainfall); - The floor of the bund must be sloped, draining to an oil separator; - Provision must be made for refueling at the storage area by protecting the soil with an impermeable groundcover. Where dispensing equipment is used, a drip tray must be used to ensure small spills are contained; - All empty externally dirty drums must be stored on a drip tray or within a bunded area; - No unauthorised access into the hazardous substances storage areas must be permitted; - No smoking must be allowed within the vicinity of the hazardous storage areas; - Adequate fire-fighting equipment must be made available at all hazardous storage areas; - Where refueling away from the dedicated refueling station is required, a mobile refueling unit must be used. Appropriate ground protection such as drip trays must be used; - An appropriately sized spill kit kept onsite relevant to the scale of the activity/s involving the use of hazardous substance must be available at all times; - The responsible operator must have the required training to make use of the spill kit in emergency situations; 		<p>approval, where required.</p>				<p>whether spill kits are available within the construction site. Copies of hazardous waste disposal certificates must be included in the monthly audit reports.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An appropriate number of spill kits must be available and must be located in all areas where activities are being undertaken; - In the event of a spill, contaminated soil must be collected in containers and stored in a central location and disposed of according to the National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008. Refer to Section 5.7 for procedures concerning storm and waste water management and 5.8 for solid and hazardous waste management. 						
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5.18 Workshop, equipment maintenance and storage

Impact management outcome: Soil, surface water and groundwater contamination is minimised.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where possible and practical all maintenance of vehicles and equipment must take place in the workshop area; - During servicing of vehicles or equipment, especially where emergency repairs are affected outside the workshop area, a suitable drip tray must be used to prevent spills onto the soil. The relevant local authority must be made aware of a fire as soon as it starts; - Leaking equipment must be repaired immediately or be removed from site to facilitate repair; - Workshop areas must be monitored for oil and fuel spills; - Appropriately sized spill kit kept onsite relevant to the scale of the activity taking place must be available; 	<p>The Contractor and cEO.</p>	<p>The Waste Management Plan and Stormwater Management Plan must be implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. The cEO should obtain copies of all</p>	<p>Construction phase.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>The cEO should monitor waste management and stormwater management throughout the duration of</p>	<p>The ECO must monitor the Contractor's compliance with the all relevant conditions in the environmental documents and all</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The workshop area must have a bunded concrete slab that is sloped to facilitate runoff into a collection sump or suitable oil / water separator where maintenance work on vehicles and equipment can be performed; - Water drainage from the workshop must be contained and managed in accordance Section 5.7: storm and waste water management. 		<p>waste removal slips for inclusion in the Environmental File. Method Statements should be submitted for approval, where required. The ERAP should be implemented throughout the construction phase. Emergency contact details should be clearly displayed at relevant locations onsite.</p>			<p>the Construction Phase and report to the ECO on a monthly basis or within 24 hours of an emergency, such as an accidental spill.</p>	<p>Method Statements, the Stormwater Management Plan and the Waste Management Plan. In addition, the ECO should check whether spill kits and drip trays are available within the construction site and adequately used when necessary. Copies of all waste disposal certificates must be submitted to the ECO for inclusion in the audit reports.</p>
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5.19 Batching plants

Impact management outcome: Minimise spillages and contamination of soil, surface water and groundwater.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concrete mixing must be carried out on an impermeable surface; - Batching plants areas must be fitted with a containment facility for the collection of cement laden water. - Dirty water from the batching plant must be contained to prevent soil and groundwater contamination - Bagged cement must be stored in an appropriate facility and at least 10 m away from any water courses, gullies and drains; - A washout facility must be provided for washing of concrete associated equipment. Water used for washing must be restricted; - Hardened concrete from the washout facility or concrete mixer can either be reused or disposed of at an appropriate licenced disposal facility; - Empty cement bags must be secured with adequate binding material if these will be temporarily stored on site; - Sand and aggregates containing cement must be kept damp to prevent the generation of dust (Refer to Section 5.20: Dust emissions) - Any excess sand, stone and cement must be reused or removed from site on completion of construction period and disposed at a registered disposal facility; 	<p>The Contractor and the cEO.</p>	<p>The Contractor should erect temporary fencing around the batching plant/(s) during the construction phase. The Waste Management Plan and Stormwater Management Plan must be implemented by the Contractor throughout the Construction Phase. The cEO should obtain copies of all waste removal slips for inclusion in the Environmental</p>	<p>Construction phase.</p>	<p>The ECO, the cEO and the CLO.</p>	<p>The cEO should monitor the batching plant/(s) daily and report to the ECO should the mitigation measures not suffice. The ECO should recommend additional mitigation measures if/when required.</p>	<p>The ECO must monitor the Contractor's compliance with the Waste Management Plan and the Stormwater Management Plan. The ECO should provide photographic evidence of the necessary temporary fencing which is erected around the batching</p>

<p>– Temporary fencing must be erected around batching plants in accordance with Section 5.5: Fencing and gate installation.</p>		<p>File. Method Statements should be submitted for approval, where required. The Contractor must ensure that all construction staff have the necessary PPE, including dust masks and protective eyewear. and dust abatement measures must be applied during periods of excessive dust or activities which produce excessive dust.</p>			<p>plants/(s). In addition, the ECO should obtain proof that excess materials have been disposed of at a registered disposal facility. Should the CLO receive complaints from the public relating to dust emissions, the ECO should be notified immediately.</p>
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5.20 Dust emissions

Impact management outcome: Dust prevention measures are applied to minimise the generation of dust.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation	Monitoring
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	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take all reasonable measures to minimise the generation of dust as a result of project development activities to the satisfaction of the ECO; - Removal of vegetation must be avoided until such time as soil stripping is required and similarly exposed surfaces must be re-vegetated or stabilised as soon as is practically possible; - Excavation, handling and transport of erodible materials must be avoided under high wind conditions or when a visible dust plume is present; - During high wind conditions, the ECO must evaluate the situation and make recommendations as to whether dust-damping measures are adequate, or whether working will cease altogether until the wind speed drops to an acceptable level; - Where possible, soil stockpiles must be located in sheltered areas where they are not exposed to the erosive effects of the wind; - Where erosion of stockpiles becomes a problem, erosion control measures must be implemented at the discretion of the ECO; - Vehicle speeds must not exceed 40 km/h along dust roads or 20 km/h when traversing unconsolidated and non-vegetated areas; - Straw stabilisation must be applied at a rate of one bale/10 m² and harrowed into the top 100 mm of top material, for all completed earthworks; - For significant areas of excavation or exposed ground, dust suppression measures must be used to minimise the spread of dust. 	The Contractor	The Contractor must ensure that the construction staff wear the necessary PPE, including dust masks and protective eyewear. Dust abatement measures must be applied during periods of excessive dust or activities which produce excessive dust. Clear signage should be erected to indicate the speed limits of 40 km/h along dust roads and 20 km/h in unconsolidated and non-vegetated areas. Fines should be issued to any individuals that do not adhere to the speed limits.	Construction phase.	The ECO, the cEO and the CLO.	The cEO should monitor the condition of the site daily and the ECO should report on the dust emissions in the monthly audit reports. The CLO must report any complaints to the ECO immediately.	Compliance with the mitigation measures to avoid excessive dust emissions must be audited in the ECO's monthly audit reports and, where necessary, the ECO must recommend additional mitigation measures to avoid excessive dust generation. Should the CLO receive complaints from the public relating to dust emissions, the ECO

						should be notified immediately. Photographic evidence of the speed limit signage should be included in the monthly audit reports.
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5.21 Blasting

Impact management outcome: Impact to the environment is minimised through a safe blasting practice.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any blasting activity must be conducted by a suitably licensed blasting contractor; and - Notification of surrounding landowners, emergency services site personnel of blasting activity 24 hours prior to such activity taking place on Site. 	The Contractor/ a suitably licensed Blasting Contractor and the CLO.	The Contractor must notify the CLO at least 48 hours prior to blasting activities taking place. The CLO must notify the surrounding landowners,	Construction phase.	The ECO, the CLO and the cEO.	If/when required.	Compliance with the mitigation measures to avoid excessive dust emissions must be

		<p>emergency services and construction staff of the proposed blasting activities at least 24 hours prior to blasting activities taking place. The Contractor should submit a Method Statement to the ECO for approval prior to blasting activities taking place. The Contractor must take the necessary precautions to prevent the generation of excessive dust emissions. The size of explosive charges used for blasting (if required) should be optimised to balance breaking capacity against minimising any vibration impact and fly-rock.</p>				<p>audited in the ECO's monthly audit reports and, where necessary, the ECO must recommend additional mitigation measures to avoid excessive dust generation during blasting activities. Should the CLO receive complaints from the public relating to the blasting activities, the ECO should be notified immediately. The CLO must submit proof of the required blasting</p>
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		<p>Blasting must be restricted to periods of calm wind conditions to minimise the potential for dust dispersion. Dust abatement techniques must be used before and during blasting activities. The ERAP should include specific emergency protocols relating to blasting activities and all construction workers must be made aware of these protocols prior to blasting activities taking place.</p>				<p>notifications to the ECO for inclusion in the monthly audit report(s). Photographic evidence of the blasting sites should be included in the monthly audit reports. The CEO must obtain verbal proof that the construction staff have been notified of these emergency protocols.</p>
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5.22 Noise

Impact Management outcome: Unnecessary noise is prevented by ensuring that noise from construction activities is mitigated.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Contractor must keep noise level within acceptable limits, Restrict the use of sound amplification equipment for communication and emergency only; - All vehicles and machinery must be fitted with appropriate silencing technology and must be properly maintained; - Any complaints received by the Contractor regarding noise must be recorded and communicated. Where possible or applicable, provide transport to and from the site on a daily basis for construction workers; - Develop a Code of Conduct for the construction phase in terms of behaviour of construction staff. Operating hours as determined by the environmental authorisation are adhered to during the development phase. Where not defined, it must be ensured that development activities must still meet the impact management outcome related to noise management. 	The Contractor.	The Contractor must ensure that no construction activities occur outside of the authorised [in the EA] timeframes. The Contractor should take precautions to minimise noise generated on site (e.g. install and maintain silencers on machinery where necessary). No amplified music must be allowed on site. The Contractor must not use sound amplification equipment on site unless in emergency situations. Compliance with the appropriate legislation with respect to noise	Construction phase.	The ECO, the cEO and the CLO.	The cEO should monitor the noise levels onsite daily and the ECO should report on the noise levels in the monthly audit reports. The CLO must report any complaints to the ECO immediately.	Compliance with the mitigation measures to keep noise levels within acceptable limits must be audited in the ECO's monthly audit reports and, where necessary, the ECO must recommend additional mitigation measures to keep noise levels within acceptable limits. Should the CLO receive complaints from the public relating to unacceptable noise,

		<p>is mandatory. The Contractor must be familiar with, and adhere to, any local by-laws and regulations regarding the generation of noise. All noise-making equipment must be turned off when not in use. Machinery should be serviced regularly to avoid unnecessary noise.</p>				<p>the ECO should be notified immediately.</p>
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5.23 Fire prevention

Impact management outcome: Prevention of uncontrollable fires.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency Response Action Plan in place. - Designate smoking areas where the fire hazard could be regarded as insignificant; - Firefighting equipment must be available on all vehicles located on site; - The local Fire Protection Agency (FPA) must be informed of construction activities; - Contact numbers for the FPA and emergency services must be communicated in environmental awareness training and displayed at a central location on site; - Two way swap of contact details between ECO and FPA. 	<p>The Contractor and the ECO.</p>	<p>Designated smoking areas must be created, and the relevant signage must be in place to indicate these areas. Firefighting equipment must be available in all vehicles as well as at the site camp. Fire extinguishers must be serviced regularly to ensure that they are in good working order. The ERAP must include fire prevention and firefighting procedures. Emergency contact details should be clearly displayed at relevant locations onsite.</p>	<p>Construction phase and Operational phase.</p>	<p>The cEO and the ECO.</p>	<p>Daily.</p>	<p>The ECO should review the ERAP prior to the commencement of the construction phase, monitor the implementation of the conditions and mitigation relating to emergency procedures, including the availability of emergency contact details within the site, and ensure that the correct procedures and</p>

						<p>relevant individuals and organisations are contacted if/when an emergency occurs. The Contractor should advise the ECO of any emergencies which occur onsite, together with a record of action taken, within twenty-four (24) hours of the emergency occurring. The ECO must include any emergencies and procedures followed in the relevant</p>
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						<p>audit report(s) and include photographic evidence, where available. The ECO must liaise with the relevant FPA regarding the proposed fire prevention measures in the ERAP and recommend the inclusion of any additional measures suggested by the FPA into the ERAP. The cEO should provide the ECO with copies of the attendance registers as</p>
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						proof that construction staff have received Environmental Awareness Training.
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5.24 Stockpiling and stockpile areas

Impact management outcome: Erosion and sedimentation as a result of stockpiling are reduced.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All material that is excavated during the project development phase (either during piling (if required) or earthworks) must be stored appropriately on site in order to minimise impacts to watercourses and water bodies; - All stockpiled material must be maintained and kept clear of weeds and alien vegetation growth by undertaking regular weeding and control methods; - Topsoil stockpiles must not exceed 1,5 m in height; - During periods of strong winds and heavy rain, the stockpiles must be covered with appropriate material (e.g. cloth, tarpaulin etc.); - Where possible, sandbags (or similar) must be placed at the bases of the stockpiled material in order to prevent erosion of the material. 	The Contractor and the cEO.	The Contractor must stockpile and store material in accordance with the EA, the EMPr and the Stormwater Management Plan. The cEO must monitor the construction areas for signs of erosion and the ECO and the Contractor	Construction phase.	The cEO and ECO.	Daily (cEO) and monthly reporting (ECO).	The cEO and ECO should monitor the stockpiling of materials. The ECO must report on the Contractor's compliance with the conditions and recommendations of the EA, the

		<p>should be informed at the first signs of erosion to ensure that additional mitigation methods are recommended. The Alien Vegetation Management Plan should be implemented, and all alien vegetation must be disposed of in accordance with the Alien Vegetation Management Plan and disposal slips/certificates should be obtained. Any stockpiling of gravel, cut, fill or any other material, including spoil, must only be in areas which have been approved by the ECO within the defined working</p>				<p>EMPr, the Stormwater Management Plan and the Alien Vegetation Management Plan. Should the recommended erosion and sedimentation mitigation measures not adequately prevent erosion and the sedimentation of watercourses, the ECO should recommend additional mitigation measures and rehabilitation/remedial measures (for areas which have</p>
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		<p>area. The Contractor should ensure that the material does not wash or blow away. Stockpiles of topsoil must not be covered with plastic. The Contractor must not stockpile any material within 20 m of any “no-go” areas and topsoil stockpiles should not exceed 1.5 m in height, as per the mitigation measures stipulated in the EIR.</p>				<p>been eroded or where sedimentation occurs).</p>
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5.25 Finalising tower positions

Impact management outcome: No environmental degradation occurs as a result of the survey and pegging operations.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No vegetation clearing must occur during survey and pegging operations; - No new access roads must be developed to facilitate access for survey and pegging purposes; - Project manager, botanical specialist and contractor to agree on final tower positions based on survey within assessed and approved areas; - The surveyor is to demarcate (peg) access roads/tracks in consultation with ECO. No deviations will be allowed without the prior written consent from the ECO. 	<p>The Contractor, a suitably qualified Botanical Specialist and the Developer's Site Supervisor (DSS).</p>	<p>A suitably qualified Botanical Specialist must be appointed to undertake micro-siting of the layout, including the tower positions, within the approved areas prior to the finalisation of the layout. The final layout must be demarcated. Vegetation clearance must not occur prior to the demarcation of the final layout and vegetation clearance must not occur outside of the approved and demarcated areas. The relevant permits, such as plant removal permits, must be obtained prior to the clearance of vegetation.</p>	<p>Pre-construction phase and construction phase.</p>	<p>The ECO and the cEO.</p>	<p>Pre-construction and throughout the construction phase.</p>	<p>The ECO should approve the final development layout, in accordance with the EA and specialist input. The cEO should ensure that no vegetation clearing takes place during the demarcation process. Should vegetation clearing take place during the process of demarcating the layout, the cEO must report it to the ECO immediately. The ECO should report on the</p>
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						Contractor's compliance with the conditions, recommendations and mitigation measures relating to vegetation clearance.
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5.26 Excavation and Installation of foundations

Impact management outcome: No environmental degradation occurs as a result of excavation or installation of foundations.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All excess spoil generated during foundation excavation must be disposed of in an appropriate manner and at a recognised disposal site, if not used for backfilling purposes; - Spoil can however be used for landscaping purposes and must be covered with a layer of 150 mm topsoil for rehabilitation purposes; - Management of equipment for excavation purposes must be undertaken in accordance with Section 5.18: Workshop equipment maintenance and storage; and 	The Contractor and Construction Staff.	Construction staff must be informed before construction starts on the possible types of heritage sites and cultural material which they could encounter and the procedures	Construction phase.	The ECO and a suitably qualified Archaeological/Palaeontological Specialist.	When required during the Construction Phase.	Copies of the waste disposal certificates must be submitted to the ECO for inclusion in the audit reports. The ECO should monitor the

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hazardous substances spills from equipment must be managed in accordance with Section 5.17: Hazardous substances. - Batching of cement to be undertaken in accordance with Section 5.19 : Batching plants; - Residual cement must be disposed of in accordance with Section 5.8: Solid and hazardous waste management. 		<p>to follow if they find such sites. Should concentrations of palaeontological and/or archaeological heritage material and human remains be uncovered during construction, all work must cease immediately, and it must be reported to a suitably qualified Archaeological/Palaeontological Specialist as well as the Northern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (NCPHRA) and/or the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) (021 462 4502) so that systematic and professional investigation/ex</p>				<p>Contractor's compliance with the relevant conditions to excavation and installation, the Waste Management Plan and the Alien Vegetation Management Plan. The ECO should assist the Contractor in contacting a suitably qualified Archaeological/Palaeontological Specialist, if/when required.</p>
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		<p>cavation can be undertaken. Excess spoil must be disposed of in accordance with the Waste Management Plan. Topsoil which is going to be used for landscaping and rehabilitation purposes must not be mixed with subsoil, foreign material must be removed from topsoil, topsoil must not be compacted, and this soil should be left exposed for the minimum time to reduce the risk of erosion and the growth of alien vegetation. Alien vegetation must be removed in accordance with the Alien Vegetation Management Plan.</p>				
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5.27 Assembly and erecting towers

Impact management outcome: No environmental degradation occurs as a result of assembly and erecting of towers.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prior to erection, assembled towers and tower sections must be stored on elevated surface (suggest wooden blocks) to minimise damage to the underlying vegetation; - In sensitive areas, tower assembly must take place off-site or away from sensitive positions; - The crane used for tower assembly must be operated in a manner which minimises impact to the environment; - The number of crane trips to each site must be minimised; - Wheeled cranes must be utilised in preference to tracked cranes; - Consideration must be given to erecting towers by helicopter or by hand where it is warranted to limit the extent of environmental impact; - Access to tower positions to be undertaken in accordance with access requirements specified in Section 8.4: Access Roads; - Vegetation clearance to be undertaken in accordance with general vegetation clearance requirements specified in Section 8.10: Vegetation clearing; 	The Contractor.	Where practical and feasible, connecting lines should be buried. For overhead lines, the Contractor should comply with the conditions of this EMPr, the Final EIR, the Specialist Reports and the EA.	Construction phase.	The cEO and ECO.	Daily and monthly.	Either the cEO or the ECO should be present during the assembly and erecting of towers to ensure that the management actions are implemented and to provide photographic evidence into the ECO's monthly audit reports.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No levelling at tower sites must be permitted unless approved by the Development Project Manager or Developer Site Supervisor; - Topsoil must be removed separately from subsoil material and stored for later use during rehabilitation of such tower sites; - Topsoil must be stored in heaps not higher than 1,5m to prevent destruction of the seed bank within the topsoil; - Excavated slopes must be no greater than 1:3, but where this is unavoidable, appropriate measures must be undertaken to stabilise the slopes; - Fly rock from blasting activity must be minimised and any pieces greater than 150 mm falling beyond the Working Area, must be collected and removed; - Only existing disturbed areas are utilised as spoil areas; - Drainage is provided to control groundwater exit gradient with the spill areas such that migration of fines is kept to a minimum; - Surface water runoff is appropriately channeled through or around spoil areas; - During backfilling operations, care must be taken not to dump the topsoil at the bottom of the foundation and then put spoil on top of that; - The surface of the spoil is appropriately rehabilitated in accordance with the requirements specified in Section 5.29: Landscaping and rehabilitation; - The retained topsoil must be spread evenly over areas to be rehabilitated and suitably compacted to effect re-vegetation of such areas to prevent erosion as soon as construction activities on the site is complete. Spreading of topsoil must not be undertaken at the beginning of the dry season. 						
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5.28 Stringing

Impact management outcome: No environmental degradation occurs as a result of stringing.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where possible, previously disturbed areas must be used for the siting of winch and tensioner stations. In all other instances, the siting of the winch and tensioner must avoid access restricted areas and other sensitive areas; - The winch and tensioner station must be equipped with drip trays in order to contain any fuel, hydraulic fuel or oil spills and leaks; - Refueling of the winch and tensioner stations must be undertaken in accordance with Section 5.17: Hazardous substances; - In the case of the development of overhead transmission and distribution infrastructure, a one metre “trace-line” may be cut through the vegetation for stringing purposes only and no vehicle access must be cleared along” trace-lines”. Vegetation clearing must be undertaken by hand, using chainsaws and hand held implements, with vegetation being cut off at ground level. No tracked or wheeled mechanised equipment must be used; 	The Contractor.	Where practical and feasible, connecting lines should be buried. For overhead lines, the Contractor should comply with the conditions of this EMPr, the Final EIR, the Specialist Reports and the EA.	Construction phase.	The cEO and ECO.	Daily and monthly.	Either the cEO or the ECO should be present during the stringing operations to ensure that the management actions are implemented and to provide photographic evidence into the ECO’s monthly

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alternative methods of stringing which limit impact to the environment must always be considered e.g., by hand or by using a helicopter; - Where the stringing operation crosses a public or private road or railway line, the necessary scaffolding/ protection measures must be installed to facilitate access. If, for any reason, such access has to be closed for any period(s) during development, the persons affected must be given reasonable notice, in writing; - No services (electrical distribution lines, telephone lines, roads, railways lines, pipelines fences etc.) must be damaged because of stringing operations. Where disruption to services is unavoidable, persons affected must be given reasonable notice, in writing; - Where stringing operations cross cultivated land, damage to crops is restricted to the minimum required to conduct stringing operations, and reasonable notice (10 workdays minimum), in writing, must be provided to the landowner; - Necessary scaffolding protection measures must be installed to prevent damage to the structures supporting certain high value agricultural areas such as vineyards, orchards, nurseries. 						audit reports.
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5.29 Socio-economic

Impact management outcome: Socio-economic development is enhanced.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation	Monitoring
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	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop and implement communication strategies to facilitate public participation; - Develop and implement a collaborative and constructive approach to conflict resolution as part of the external stakeholder engagement process; - Sustain continuous communication and liaison with neighboring owners and residents - Create work and training opportunities for local stakeholders; and - Where feasible, no workers, except for security personnel, must be permitted to stay over-night on the site. This would reduce the risk to local farmers. 	The Contractor, the CLO and the DSS.	All mitigation measures stipulated in the Socio-Economic Assessment Report and the EA, must be implemented during the relevant phases of development. A suitably qualified CLO must be appointed to engage with the public and to maintain a complaints and incidents register. The Contractor must erect signage containing all emergency contact details, including the CLO contact details.	All phases of development.	The CLO and the ECO.	Any complaints or incidents, identified by or reported to the CLO should be submitted to the ECO as they are identified/received.	The CLO must compile and maintain an incident and complaints register. This should be submitted to the ECO on a monthly basis for inclusion in the monthly audit reports.

5.30 Temporary closure of site

Impact management outcome: Minimise the risk of environmental impact during periods of site closure greater than five days.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bunds must be emptied (where applicable) and need to be undertaken in accordance with the impact management actions included in sections 5.17: management of hazardous substances and 5.18 workshop, equipment maintenance and storage; - Hazardous storage areas must be well ventilated; - Fire extinguishers must be serviced and accessible. Service records to be filed and audited at last service; - Emergency and contact details displayed must be displayed; - Security personnel must be briefed and have the facilities to contact or be contacted by relevant management and emergency personnel; - Night hazards such as reflectors, lighting, traffic signage etc. must have been checked; - Fire hazards identified and the local authority must have been notified of any potential threats e.g. large brush stockpiles, fuels etc.; - Structures vulnerable to high winds must be secured; - Wind and dust mitigation must be implemented; - Cement and materials stores must have been secured; - Toilets must have been emptied and secured; - Refuse bins must have been emptied and secured; 	<p>The Contractor, the CLO and DSS.</p>	<p>The conditions of this EMP, the EA and any relevant conditions in the specialist reports relating to site closure must be implemented during site closure. The CLO must notify the surrounding landowners of site closure 24 hours in advance, if possible. The Contractor must ensure that emergency contact details are displayed at the entrance to the site during site closure.</p>	<p>All phases.</p>	<p>The ECO, the CLO and the Developer's Project Manager (DPM).</p>	<p>Whenever temporary closure of the site occurs.</p>	<p>The ECO must inspect the site during site closure to ensure that all relevant mitigation measures have been implemented and that emergency contact details are available at the entrance to the site. The CLO and the ECO should be available should the public have</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drip trays must have been emptied and secured. 					<p>queries/ complaints/ concerns relating to the temporary site closure.</p>
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5.31 Landscaping and rehabilitation

Impact management outcome: Areas disturbed during the development phase are returned to a state that approximates the original condition.

Impact Management Actions	Implementation			Monitoring		
	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe for implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence of compliance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All areas disturbed by construction activities must be subject to landscaping and rehabilitation; All spoil and waste must be disposed to a registered waste site and certificates of disposal provided; - All slopes must be assessed for contouring, and to contour only when the need is identified in accordance with the Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, No 43 of 1983 - All slopes must be assessed for terracing, and to terrace only when the need is identified in accordance with the Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, No 43 of 1983; - Berms that have been created must have a slope of 1:4 and be replanted with indigenous species and grasses that approximates the original condition; 	<p>The Contractor, Botanical Specialist and the DSS.</p>	<p>During landscaping and rehabilitation, the Contractor must ensure compliance with all relevant management plans as well as compliance with the conditions of this EMP, the EA and all specialist reports. Where necessary, a suitably qualified</p>	<p>Construction phase, post-construction phase and the operational phase.</p>	<p>The ECO.</p>	<p>Monthly.</p>	<p>The ECO should monitor the site landscaping and rehabilitation against all required conditions. Photographic evidence should be provided, where necessary.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where new access roads have crossed cultivated farmlands, that lands must be rehabilitated by ripping which must be agreed to by the holder of the EA and the landowners; - Rehabilitation of tower sites and access roads outside of farmland; - Indigenous species must be used for with species and/grasses to where it compliments or approximates the original condition; - Stockpiled topsoil must be used for rehabilitation (refer to Section 5.24: Stockpiling and stockpiled areas); - Stockpiled topsoil must be evenly spread so as to facilitate seeding and minimise loss of soil due to erosion; - Before placing topsoil, all visible weeds from the placement area and from the topsoil must be removed; - Subsoil must be ripped before topsoil is placed; - The rehabilitation must be timed so that rehabilitation can take place at the optimal time for vegetation establishment; - Where impacted through construction related activity, all sloped areas must be stabilised to ensure proper rehabilitation is effected and erosion is controlled ; - Sloped areas stabilised using design structures or vegetation as specified in the design to prevent erosion of embankments. The contract design specifications must be adhered to and implemented strictly; - Spoil can be used for backfilling or landscaping as long as it is covered by a minimum of 150 mm of topsoil. - Where required, re-vegetation including hydro-seeding can be enhanced using a vegetation seed mixture as described below. A mixture of seed can be used provided the mixture is carefully selected to ensure the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Annual and perennial plants are chosen; 		<p>Botanical Specialist and/or Horticulturist must provide input into the landscaping and rehabilitation of the site.</p>				<p>Additional mitigation measures for rehabilitation should be recommended if rehabilitation is undertaken according to all requirements but it is not successful.</p>
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b) Pioneer species are included; c) Species chosen must be indigenous to the area with the seeds used coming from the area; d) Root systems must have a binding effect on the soil; e) The final product must not cause an ecological imbalance in the area						
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6 ACCESS TO THE GENERIC EMPr

Once completed and signed, to allow the public access to the generic EMPr, the holder of the EA must make the EMPr available to the public in accordance with the requirements of regulation 26(h) of the EIA Regulations.

PART B: SECTION 2

7 SITE SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND DECLARATION

7.1 Sub-section 1: contact details and description of the project

7.1.1 Details of the applicant:

Name of the Applicant: Eskom Holdings SOC Limited

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Name of contact person for applicant (if other): Debbie Harding

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7.1.2 Details and expertise of the EAP: EnviroAgri (Pty) Ltd

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Expertise of the EAP:

BSc Conservation Ecology & MSc Zoology

Pr.Nat.Sci.; Professional Natural Scientist, South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP), Reg. no. 400306/15

Reg.EAP; Environmental Assessment Practitioners Association of South Africa (EAPASA), Reg. no. 2020/1612

IAIAsa; International Association for Impact Assessments South Africa (IAIA), Reg. no. 32425

(Curriculum Vitae included)

7.1.3 Project name: Proposed Development of the Castle to Hydra OHL near De Aar, in the Northern Cape Province

7.1.4 Description of the project:

The applicant, Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (Eskom), proposes to construct an Overhead Transmission Line (OHL) to connect to the authorised Castle Wind Energy Facility (WEF) to the existing Hydra Main Transmission Substation (MTS), on farms near De Aar in the Northern Cape. The proposed transmission line would consist of a 132kV to 400kV (single or double circuit) OHL, from here referred to as the Castle to Hydra OHL. Associated infrastructure will include permanent access/service tracks (where no existing roads exist). Furthermore, temporary laydown areas and site camps will be rehabilitated after construction. The Castle WEF has been developed by African Clean Energy Developments (Pty) Ltd (ACED), the proponent. ACED or successor in title will develop the OHL under a Self-Build agreement with Eskom, the applicant. Since the OHL will be ceded to Eskom this application for environmental authorisation is pursued by Eskom. EnviroAgri (Pty) Ltd (EnviroAgri) has been appointed by ACED to undertake the requisite Basic Assessment (BA) process for the proposed OHL as required in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), as amended, on behalf of the applicant, Eskom.

The application consist of three sections. Section A is from the authorised Castle WEF Substation to the junction of the existing De Aar South 132kV OHL and the existing Eskom transmission servitude (coordinates on Figure 3, point E). Section B is from the junction of the existing De Aar South 132kV OHL and the existing Eskom transmission servitude to the Hydra MTS and will consist of an upgrade of the existing 132kV De Aar South OHLs. Section C is a short section from Section A to the authorised but not yet built De Aar 2 South Switching Station. The infrastructure considered for the 132kV-400kV transmission line includes the structure (pylon) that will hold up the transmission lines, the foundations required for the pylons and the access roads and servitude areas. In addition, to reduce the potential negative impacts on avifauna in the area, Bird Flight Diverters are required to be installed along the entire OHL.

7.1.5 Project location:

The site of the Castle WEF which the proposed OHL will connect to is located approximately 26 kilometres (km) east of De Aar and the existing Hydra MTS is approximately 7 km southeast of De Aar, in the Northern Cape Province. The site is bordered in the west by the N10 from where access to can be gained through unsurfaced roads and jeep tracks. The entire proposed OHL is situated in the Pixley ka Seme District Municipality and the majority of within Emthanjeni Local Municipality (Ward 6) although a small section of the proposed eastern section of the OHL falls within the Renosterberg Local Municipality (Ward 1). The OHL will cross over several farm portions as provided in Table 1.

Table 1: Farm details for the proposed Castle to Hydra OHL

Erf number	21-digit SG code	Name of farm	Farm Size (ha)
Portion 13 of Farm 165	C03000000000016500013	Vendussie Kuil	152,18
Portion 12 of Farm 165	C03000000000016500012	Vendussie Kuil	758,19
Portion 3 of Farm 5	C0300000000000500003	Wagt en Bittje (Hydra)	179,77
Portion 1 of Farm 5	C0300000000000500001	Wagt en Bittje	21,72
Remainder of Farm 5	C0300000000000500000	Wagt en Bittje	2425,42
Remainder of Farm 144	C03000000000014400000	Hydra	37,84
Portion 3 of Farm 3	C0300000000000300003	Carolus Poort	1807,06
Portion 4 of Farm 3	C0300000000000300004	Carolus Poort	888,49
Portion 2 of Farm 3	C0300000000000300002	Carolus Poort	1724,89
Remainder of Farm 2	C0300000000000200000	Slingers Hoek	4209,31
Portion 2 of Farm 2	C0300000000000200002	Slingers Hoek	1273,11

7.16 Preliminary technical specification of the overhead transmission and distribution:

General

- Tower parameters
 - Tower spacing (mean and maximum) \approx 150-375
 - Tower height (lowest, mean and height) \approx L 32m, M32 and H45
 - Conductor attachment height (mean) \approx TBC Eskom
 - Minimum ground clearance \approx TBC Eskom

Table 2: Technical details for proposed Castle to Hydra OHL

Component	Description
Overhead Powerline (OHL)	<p>132kV to 400kV single- or double-circuit</p> <p>Extending from the authorised Castle WEF collector substation to the Eskom Hydra MTS.</p> <p>OHL will be located within a servitude of up to 32m wide to be positioned within a 300m wide corridor (a 300m wide corridor assessed as part of this BA to allow micro-siting).</p> <p>Total Length ≈25,8km (+12.4km temporary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section A≈13,1km new OHL • Section B ≈12,4km upgrading existing 132kV OHL from the De Aar South WEF to an up to 400kV maximum capacity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Temporary 132kV OHL bypass of ≈12,4km to be constructed alongside the existing De Aar South OHL to be upgraded (along Section B ≈18month lifespan). • Section C ≈300m from Section A to the proposed De Aar 2 South Switching Station
OHL Pylons	<p>Up to 45m in height (most structures will be up to 32m tall, only increasing to up to 45m when crossing the railway line, existing overhead transmission line and public road (all adjacent the Hydra MTS), depending on the minimum clearance specified by the road, OHL and rail authorities).</p> <p>Monopole (Self-supporting or stayed, 132kV) and/or lattice (400kV) may be used.</p> <p>Disturbance footprint per pylon of up to 10m by 10m (100m²)</p>
OHL footprint	<p>Length ≈25,8km+12.4km temporary = 36,2km</p> <p>Construction road / service track (jeep track) width ≈4m (or less)</p> <p>OHL footprint ≈14,48ha (25,8km x 4m), (consideration must be given that part of this road will use existing farm roads and/or WEF roads)</p> <p>Approximate number of pylons (based on average 150m average between pylons) ≈242</p> <p>Pylon’s disturbance footprint ~2,42ha (172 x 100m²)</p>
Laydown Areas	<p>Temporary laydown area of ≈5000m² will be required (authorised Castle WEF Laydown areas to be utilised).</p>
Site Access	<p>The existing approved access roads to the Castle WEF substation will be used to access the proposed Section A adjacent the authorised Castle WEF.</p> <p>Section A and C may require a service track (jeep track) along the OHL route for construction and maintenance purposes. Section B (upgrade section) and the bypass OHL will use existing tracks as far as possible.</p>

7.2 Sub-section 2: Development footprint site map

This sub-section must include a map of the site sensitivity overlaid with the preliminary infrastructure layout. The sensitivity map must be prepared from the national web based environmental screening tool, when available for compulsory use at: <https://screening.environment.gov.za/screeningtool>. The sensitivity map shall identify the nature of each sensitive feature e.g. raptor nest, threatened plant species, archaeological site, etc. Sensitivity maps shall identify features both within the planned working area and any known sensitive features in the surrounding landscape. The overhead transmission and distribution profile shall be illustrated at an appropriate resolution to enable fine scale interrogation. It is recommended that <20 km of overhead transmission and distribution length is illustrated per page in A3 landscape format. Where considered appropriate, photographs of sensitive features in the context of tower positions shall be used.

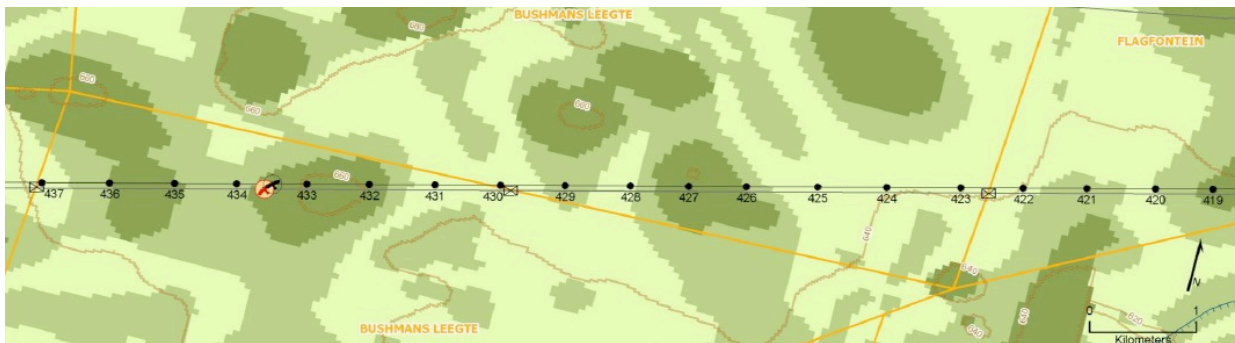


Figure 1: Example of an environmental sensitivity map in the context of a final overhead transmission and distribution profile

7.3 Sub-section 3: Declaration

The proponent/applicant or holder of the EA affirms that he/she will abide and comply with the prescribed impact management outcomes and impact management actions as stipulated in part B: section 1 of the generic EMP and have the understanding that the impact management outcomes and impact management actions are legally binding. The proponent/applicant or holder of the EA affirms that he/she will provide written notice to the CA 14 days prior to the date on which the activity will commence or commencement of construction to facilitate compliance inspections.

Signature Proponent/applicant/ holder of EA

Date:

7.4 Sub-section 4: amendments to site specific information (Part B; section 2)

Should the EA be transferred to a new holder, Part B: Section 2 must be completed by the new holder and submitted with the application for an amendment of the EA in terms of Regulations 29 or 31 of the EIA Regulations, whichever applies. The information submitted for an amendment to an environmental authorisation will be considered to be incomplete should a signed copy of Part B: Section 2 not be submitted. Once approved, Part B: Section 2 forms part of the EMPr for the development and the EMPr becomes legally binding to the new EA holder.

PART C

8 SITE SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

If any specific environmental sensitivities/attributes are present on the site which require more specific impact management outcomes and impact management actions, not included in the pre-approved generic EMPr template, to manage impacts, those impact management outcomes and actions must be included in this section. These specific management controls must be referenced spatially, and must include impact management outcomes and impact management actions. The management controls including impact management outcomes and impact management actions must be presented in the format of the pre-approved generic EMPr template. This applies only to additional impact management outcomes and impact management actions that are necessary.

If Part C is applicable to the development as authorised in the EA, it is required to be submitted to the CA together with the BAR or EIAR, for consideration of, and decision on, the application for EA. The information in this section must be prepared by an EAP and the name and expertise of the EAP, including the curriculum vitae are to be included. Once approved, Part C forms part of the EMPr for the site and is legally binding.

This section will **not be required** should the site contain no specific environmental sensitivities or attributes.

APPENDIX 1: METHOD STATEMENTS

To be prepared by the contractor prior to commencement of the activity. The method statements are **not required** to be submitted to the CA.