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Dear Interested and Affected Party

**ENVIRONMENTAL NOTIFICATION REGARDING THE AMENDMENT APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE ESKOM
MERENSKY-KAMENI-KENNEDY'S POWERLINE DEVIATION NEAR STEELPOORT**

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (the Applicant - hereafter referred to as Eskom) has appointed Environmental Impact Management Services (EIMS) (Pty) Ltd. as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to assist in preparing and submitting an Environmental Authorisation (EA) amendment application and undertaking the Public Participation Process (PPP), in support of an application of the amendment for the 3 km powerline deviation to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA).

Notice is given in terms of Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (GN R. 982 of an application for the amendment of an Environmental Authorisation (EA) and the associated Basic Assessment process for the proposed 3 km deviation of the Eskom Merensky-Kameni-Kennedy's Vale powerline. With respect to the approved EA (NEAS Reference: DEA/EIA/0002062/2013; DEA Reference: 12/12/20/2552), based on the 2010 EIA Regulations for the existing powerline, the corresponding 2014 NEMA listed activity that will be triggered by this amendment application is as follows:

- (GNR 983 Listed Activity 11).
 - A General Authorisation process in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) for Section 21 (c) and (i) water uses will also be undertaken.

The proposed site is located along the R555, approximately 6 km south of the town of Steelpoort in Greater Tubatse Local Municipality within the Sekhukhune District Municipality, Limpopo Province, South Africa. The proposed powerline deviation will occur on the remaining portion (Re) of the Farm De Goedeverwaching 332, portion 29 of the Farm Kennedy's Vale 361 and portion 28 of the Farm Spitskop 333. The centre coordinates of the proposed powerline are approximately: 24°48'15.24"S, 30° 7'6.01"E. Please refer to the attached locality map for more details.

PPP is being undertaken as part of the EA process for the proposed 3 km Eskom Merensky-Kameni-Kennedy's Vale powerline deviation. The PPP offers Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) the opportunity to obtain information, comment, raise issues of concern, and participate in the EA process. During this initial period, an advertisement will be placed in a local newspaper, and notices will be placed at central public locations. In addition, notification documents (letters, faxes and/or emails) regarding the proposed activity will be distributed to key I&APs (e.g. local authorities, national and provincial government departments, landowners, adjacent property owners and occupiers etc.).

As a potential I&AP, you are invited to register and comment on the project. Should you have any comments or concerns regarding the project, or should you require any additional information, please contact EIMS telephonically, or in writing by no later than **04 March 2019**, using the contact details below. Comments received will be included in a Public Participation Report (PPR) that will be submitted to the competent authority, the DEA during the EA process. Please include the project reference number (1274) in all correspondence. Furthermore, please note that only registered I&APs will be informed of any project information post this registration period.

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