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PER EMAIL / MAIL

Dear Ms van Gensen

AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADING OF THE 66KV NETWORK TO 132KV NETWORK IN THE HOTAZEL, KURUMAN, AND KATHU IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) dated 6 November 2015 for the abovementioned project and your application for amendment to the EA received on 14 March 2017, refers.

Based on a review of the reasons for requesting a re-alignment of a section approximately 6.5km between Hotazel Substation and Eldoret Substation, widening of the approved Corridor between Moffat Substation and Valley Substation, and widening of the approved Corridor between Valley and Sekgame Switching Station for the Environmental Authorisation dated 6 November 2015, this Department, in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, has decided to **amend** the above project, as follows:

Amendment 1:

Amendment 1 entails the re-alignment of a section of approximately 6.5km in length northwards of the approved corridor around the northern and eastern boundary of the Devon 277/0 and Annex Langdon 278/0 between Hotazel Substation and Eldoret Substation.

Amendment 2:

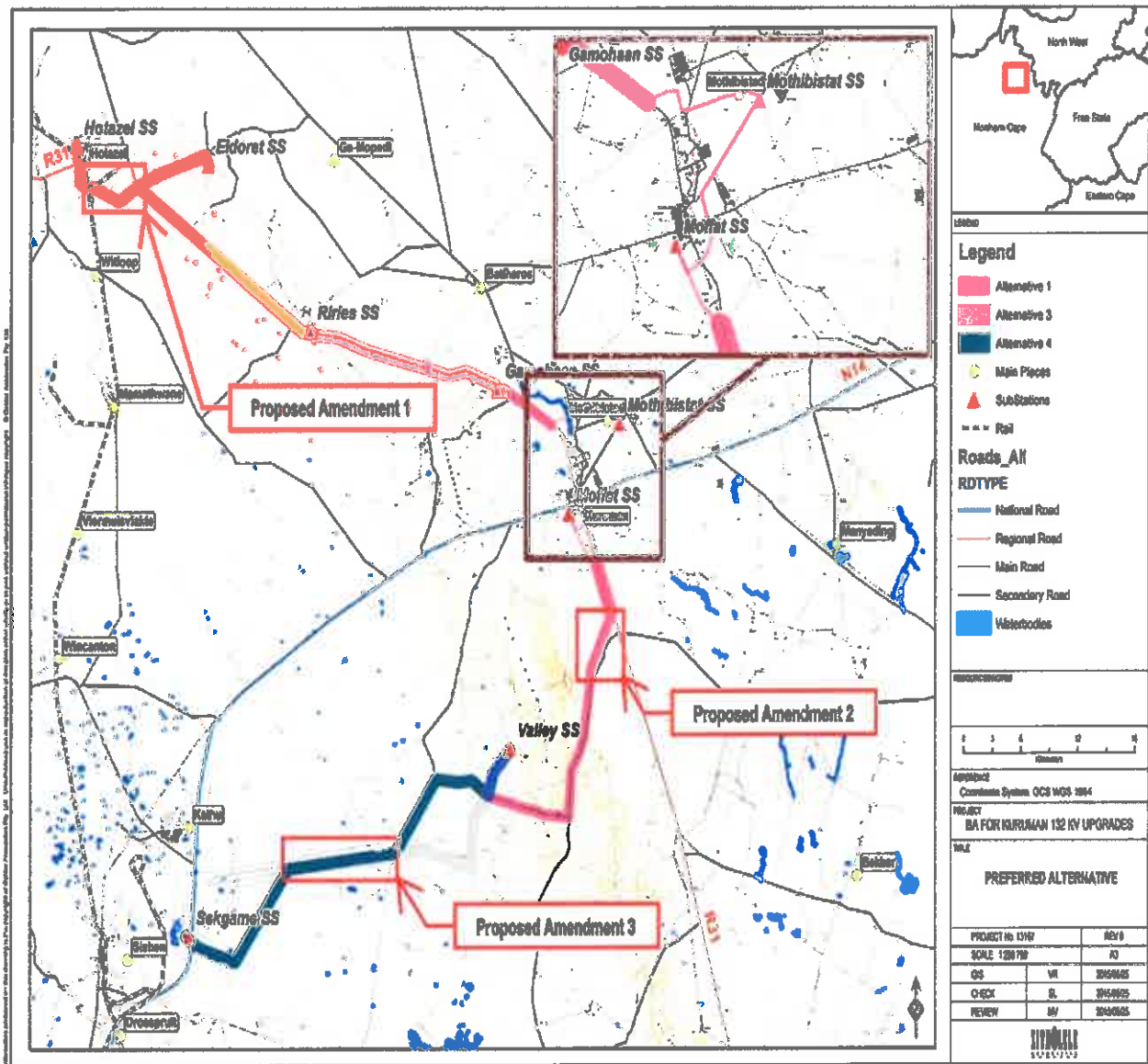
Amendment 2 entails the widening of the approved Corridor in an eastward direction between the northern boundary of Farm Edgehill 194/1 and southern boundary of Farm Alphen 442/3 between the Moffat Substation and the Valley Substation. The length of additional area is approximately 6.5km. The width of the additional area represented by the widening spans is approximately 820m at widest section which covers an area of approximately 354ha.

Amendment 3:

Amendment 3 entails the widening of the approved Corridor in a northwards direction between the eastern boundary of farm Clumber 453/6 and western boundary of farm Welbeck 454/0 between Valley Substation and Sekgame Substation. The length of additional area is approximately 7km, while the width of the additional area represented by the widening spans is approximately 230m.

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The combined map below shows section of re-alignment on amendment 1 and the proposed widening of the approved corridor on amendment 2 and 3.



Reason for the abovementioned amendments:

The proposed re-alignment between Hotazel Substation and Eldoret Substation and widening of the approved corridors (between Moffat Substation and Valley Substation, and between Valley Substation and Sekgame Switching Station) resulted from specific land owner requirements during the servitude negotiation phase which was undertaken post authorisation.

This letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 6 November 2015.

Should any person wish to lodge an appeal against this decision, he/she must submit the appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party, and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the registered interested and affected parties by the applicant; or the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the Department, whichever is applicable.

Appeals must be submitted in writing in the prescribed form to:
Mr Z Hassam, Director: Appeals and Legal Review of this Department at the below mentioned addresses.

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By email: appealsdirector@environment.gov.za;

By hand: Environment House
473 Steve Biko Road,
Arcadia,
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By post: Private Bag X447,
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To obtain the prescribed appeal form and for guidance on the submission of appeals, please visit the Department's website at https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations or request a copy of the documents at appealsdirector@environment.gov.za.

Yours faithfully



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Date: *20/07/2017*

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