

31 January 2018

Dear Natasha Higgitt

**REF: ANNOUNCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (Act 107 of 1998): DEVELOPMENT OF THE PETRUSDAM (STRAATSDRIFT) 88KV SWITCHING STATION, WITHIN RAMOTSHERE MOILOA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTH WEST PROVINCE.**

**DEA Reference: 14/12/16/3/3/1/1778**

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, promulgated in 2014, Baagi Environmental Consultancy wishes to inform you of the Environmental Authorization for the above application that was granted on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 to *Eskom SOC Holdings Limited* to construct an 88kV Petrusdam (Straatsdrift) Switching Station on Portion 14 of Farm Roode Kopjes PUT 32 (25° 09' 59.63"S, 26° 08' 46.13"E) within the Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality, North West Province.

This letter hereby refers you the Annexure 1 in the attached Environmental Authorisation for information pertaining to reasons for the Department of Environmental Affairs' decision.

*Eskom* appointed *Baagi Environmental Consultancy cc* to act as an independent environmental assessment practitioner to undertake the required Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed project. Parties wishing to appeal this decision may lodge their intent to appeal **in writing** on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2018 in terms of the National Appeals Regulations (2014) to;

**Mr. Z. Hassam** (Director: Appeals and Legal Review)

**Post:** Private Bag X447, Pretoria, 0001

**E-Mail:** Appealsdirector@environment.gov.za

**By hand:** Environment House

473 Steve Biko Road

Arcadia

Pretoria

**Telephone:** 012 399 9356

Registered Interested and Affected Parties will receive a copy of the Environmental Authorisation by mail, e-mail or facsimile and is available upon request for your convenience from the undersigned.

Kind Regards,

**Tinashe Maramba (BESc HWR)**

**Environmental Manager**

**Tel: 012 993 0756 / 7**

**Fax: 012 993 0743**

**Email: [tinashe@baagi.co.za](mailto:tinashe@baagi.co.za) / [info@baagi.co.za](mailto:info@baagi.co.za)**

