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Dear Irmé van Zyl,

## SPECIALIST LETTER FOR THE EXTENDED DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREEFSPAN II PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER STATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT GREEFSPAN SUBSTATION, PIXLEY KA SEME DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY: AXIS REF NOCG2011

A new Greefspan II 40 MW PV power station of fixed or tracking systems is proposed to be constructed near the existing Eskom Greefspan Substation and the approved Greefspan I PV power station.

The new application area for the proposed Greefspan II power station is the remainder of the original studied area of 150 ha.

Axis Landscape Architects evaluated all possible visual and cumulative impacts of the proposed layout and footprint of Greefspan II in relation to original visual impacts of the Greefspan I PV power station. The most significant impact will be the enlargement of the construction site of the project. This will come about when shrub land areas are cleared to make way for construction areas, roads and stock piles. The change in surface cover from shrub land to exposed soil will diminish the shrub land character of the area and cause a cumulative visual impact. The impact will abate as the project reaches completion.

The cumulative visual impact of the new Greefspan II power station will be low due to the enlarged footprint but will contribute minimally to the proposed visual impact of Greefspan I.

Yours sincerely

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