

## **Request to engage DEFF: Air Quality\_MES Postponement Application for Eskom's Grootvlei Power Station in MPU Highveld**

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**Importance:** High

Good day Dr Thulie Khumalo,

Let me introduce myself, Marissa Botha from Naledzi Environmental Consultants Pty Ltd

We have been appointed by Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd to apply for postponement of the Minimum Emission Standards compliance timeframes for Grootvlei Power Station situated close to Balfour in the Mpumalanga Highveld.

**We would herewith like to request a pre-application meeting with DEFF to discuss Eskom's position in respect of compliance with the MES timeframes and process envisaged in support of the application.**

Please be so kind as to confirm your availability for such a pre-application meeting?

Grootvlei power station was part of the first round of public engagements held with the other submitted 10 Eskom postponement applications in 2019 but was excluded from the second round of public engagements. Eskom now wishes to resume with Grootvlei's postponement application by preparing the Atmospheric Impact Report, conducting the second round of public engagements and submitting the application documentation to the NAQO.

We are also busy scheduling the same engagement meeting with Gert Sibande District Air Quality Officer to discuss the same.

Your feedback in this regard would be appreciated.

Kind regards and thank you,

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## Request to meet\_Proposed Grootvlei power station MES Postponement Application

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**Importance:** High

Good day Dan,

Our telephonic conversation refers.

We would herewith like to request a meeting with you as a key stakeholder in Eskom's Grootvlei power station MES Postponement Application.

Eskom initially included Grootvlei power station as part of its 2018-2019 MES postponement applications by including it as part of the first round of public engagements. However by the second round of public engagements Eskom decided to withhold Grootvlei's application and it was thus not submitted to the NAQO in March 2019.

Eskom has now decided to resume and finish Grootvlei's application by preparing the Atmospheric Impact Report and conducting the second round of public engagements then submit to the National Air Quality Officer.

As part of the application public participation process we wish to engage the district on Eskom's position in respect of the compliance with the MES timeframes and the process envisaged in support of the application before we prepare the AIR and conduct the second round of engagements.

Can you please confirm your availability in the next two weeks and preferred location for such a meeting?

Regards,

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## Re: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

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Wed 3/18/2020 8:50 AM

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Thank you for the response Dan.

We will wait for your feedback then. Have a lovely day and good luck with the tasks at hand.

Regards

Marissa Botha

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 4:14 PM

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**Subject:** RE: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

Afternoon

We will inform you when we are available, our apologies we are on disaster declaration implementation plan.

Kind Regards



**Tsunke D Hlanyane**

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**From:** Marissa Botha <botham@naledzi.co.za>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 17 March 2020 15:47

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**Subject:** Fw: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

Afternoon Dan,

Thank you for the response.

Are there no other alternative dates on which we can meet? Maybe 30 March or 1 April 2020?

Regards

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:53 AM

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**Subject:** RE: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

Good Morning

We are not available those days due to our responsibilities on disaster declaration by the president.

**Kind Regards**



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**Sent:** Monday, 16 March 2020 16:44

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**Subject:** Re: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

**Importance:** High

Afternoon Bulelwa,

Apologies for the delayed response. Got feedback from our project team, we are able to meet with you and Dan for a preapplication meeting on the following alternative dates:

23, 24 or 27 March 2020?

Please confirm which of these dates would suite you and Dan to schedule the meeting?

Regards

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**From:** Bulelwa Mthembu <[BulelwaS@gsibande.gov.za](mailto:BulelwaS@gsibande.gov.za)>

**Sent:** Friday, March 6, 2020 12:36 PM

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**Subject:** Canceled: Eskom Postponement Application Meeting

**When:** Tuesday, March 10, 2020 10:00 AM-12:00 PM.

**Where:** GSDM