



BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 132kV CHIKADEE POWER LINE BETWEEN THE EXISTING HENDRINA/ARBEDEEN 132kV POWER LINE AND THE BOSCHMANSKOP TRACTION STATION WITHIN THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT

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1. ORGANS OF STATE ACKNOWLEDMENT AND/OR INFORMATION REQUESTS				
	Department of Environmental Affairs	Thabang Sekele Envirovolution Consulting	<p>The Department confirms having received the Application for Environmental Authorisation and Draft Basic Assessment Report for the abovementioned project on 15 January 2018. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.</p> <p>Please take note of Regulation 40(3) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that potential Interested & Affected Parties, including the Competent Authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in Regulation 40(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, prior to the submission of an application but must be provided an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the Competent Authority.</p> <p>Note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted by the Department in terms of Regulation 3(7) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.</p> <p>You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.</p>	Duly Obliged

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2. INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES (I&AP) REGISTRATION AND/ OR ACKNOWLEDGMENT				
<p>Sbongile Dube Director DTSJ Electrical pty ltd</p>	<p>Thabang Sekele Envirolution Consulting</p> <p>sent via E-mail: 16/11/2017</p>	<p>Hello Can you please register our company to your data base...we want to participate on the proposed development of the 132kv chikadee powerline.</p> <p>Thanks Kind regards Sbongile Dube Director</p>	<p>Dear Sibongile Dube,</p> <p>This email serves to inform you that you have been registered on Envirolution Consulting's database for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 132kV CHIKADEE POWER LINE BETWEEN THE EXISTING HENDRINA/ARBEDEEN 132kV POWER LINE AND THE PROPOSED BOSCHMANSKOP TRACTION STATION WITHIN THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. <p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 132kV CHIKADEE POWERLINE BETWEEN THE EXISTING BOTHASHOEK/SPECULATE 132kV POWER LINE AND THE PROPOSED WOESTALLEN TRACTION STATION WITHIN THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. <p>You will be notified once the Draft Basic Assessment Report is available for comment.</p>	
3. COMMENTS RAISED BY ORGANS OF STATE				
<p>Ms Bongeka Ngcoliso</p> <p>Department of Environmental Affairs</p>	<p>Thabang Sekele Envirolution Consulting</p>	<p>Dear Ms Bongeka Ngcoliso,</p> <p>RE: COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 132kV CHIKADEE POWER LINE BETWEEN THE EXISTING HENDRINA/ARBEDEEN 132kV POWER LINE AND THE BOSCHMANSKOP TRACTION STATION WITHIN THE STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.</p> <p>This letter serves as confirmation that the comments from the Department of Environmental Affairs have been received in order. The response to the comments is stipulated below as follows:</p> <p>i. Listing Notices - You are hereby advised to correctly quote the correct listing Notices as indicated on 2017 EIA Regulations and amend both application form and the Report when submitting the Final Basic Assessment Report.</p>		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAP response: Comment noted. An amended application form and Final Basic Assessment Report (FBAR) will be submitted to the department quoting the correct Listing Notices as per the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended in 2017. ii. Errors on the report - Recommendation contained on page (x) of the Report indicates that the project location is in Johannesburg Gauteng yet the project is located within Steve Tshwete Local Municipality in the Mpumalanga Province. You are therefore required to clarify the project location accordingly. • EAP response: We concede the error identified by the Department and will indeed correct it to indicate the correct project locality of Steve Tshwete Local Municipality. This will be indicated in the FBAR. <p>General comments:</p> <p>You are further reminded that the Final BAR to be submitted to this Department must comply with all the requirements in terms of the scope of assessment and content of basic assessment reports in accordance with Appendix 1 and Regulation 19(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended.</p> <p>Further note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations 2014 as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the timeframes prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted in terms of Regulation 3(7).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAP response: Comment noted, it will be ensured that the FBAR will comply with Appendix 1 and Regulation 19(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended. Timeframes related to this application will be strictly adhered to as per Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations 2014. <p>You are hereby reminded that should the final report fail to comply with the requirements of this letter, the proposed development will be refused in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).</p>		
B Khenina Acting Municipal Manager Steve Tshwete Local Municipality	Thabang Sekele Envirovolution Consulting	The area falls under Eskom supply area and there is no potential impacts that affect municipal electrical services.	Comment acknowledged and noted, thank you.	

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	None at this stage			