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Attention: Collette Scheermeyer

22 March 2011

## NOTIFICATION OF MEDIUM VOLTAGE (MV) LINES TO BE BUILD BY ESKOM DISTRIBUTION

PROJECT NAME: MINOR RETIC: HER35917537

In Eskom's dedication to comply with National Environmental legislation with respect to the conditions pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999, we want to inform SAHRA of the above mentioned project. An environmental screening was conducted for this project to establish other significant environmental, social and economic impacts. Find attached an A4 size map of the area with the red line indicating the power line's location.

Project Name:

MINOR RETIC

Project Number:

HER35917537

Area:

KLERKSDORP AREA

Length:

385,13 M

Voltage:

11 kV

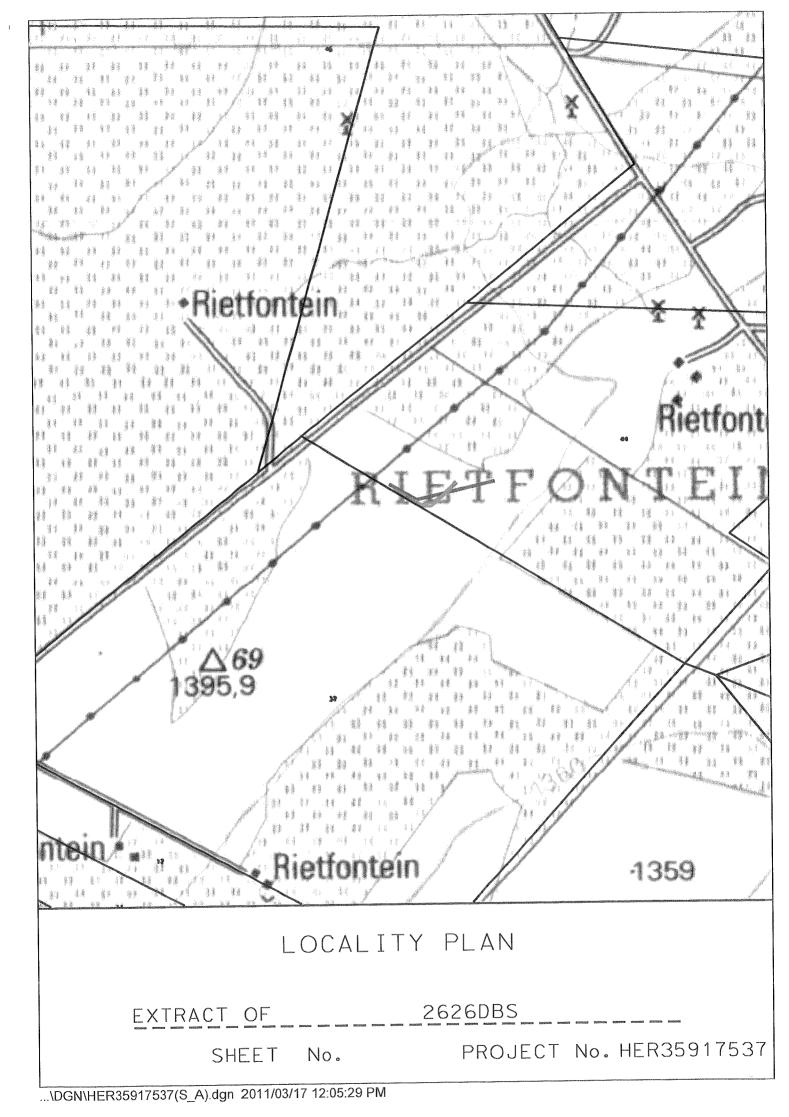
Eskom awaits SAHRA's acknowledgement of receipt within 14 days.

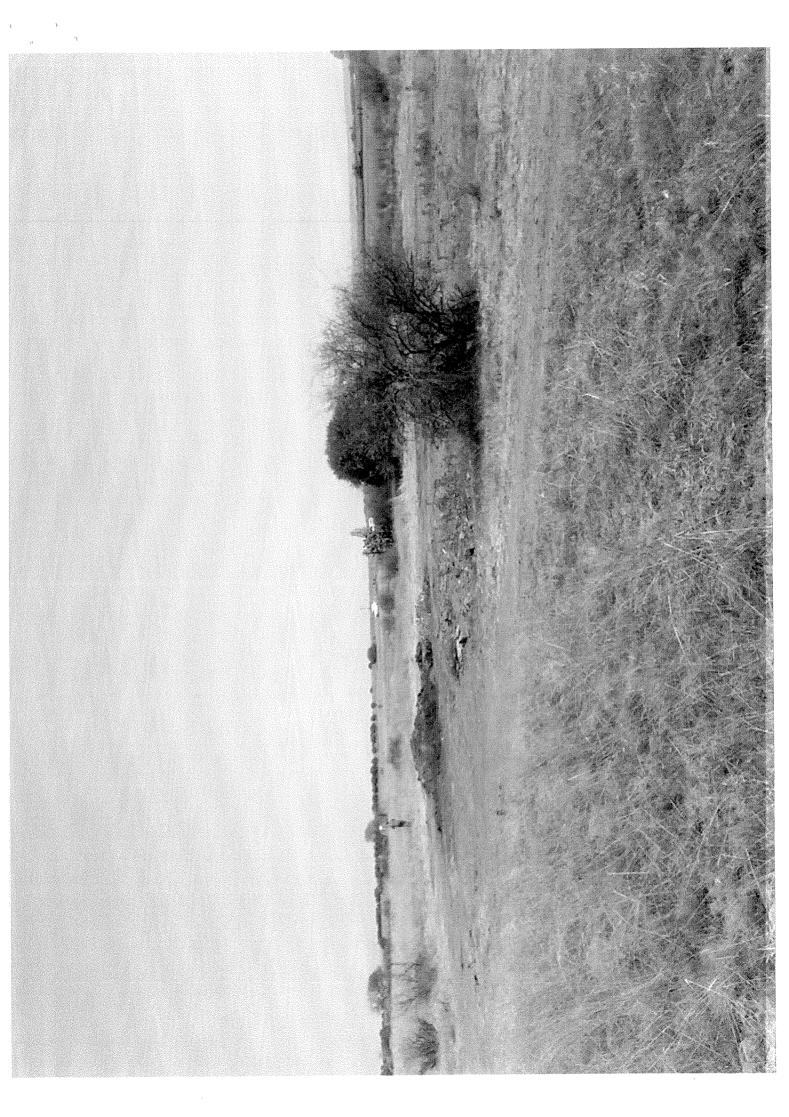
Yours faithfully

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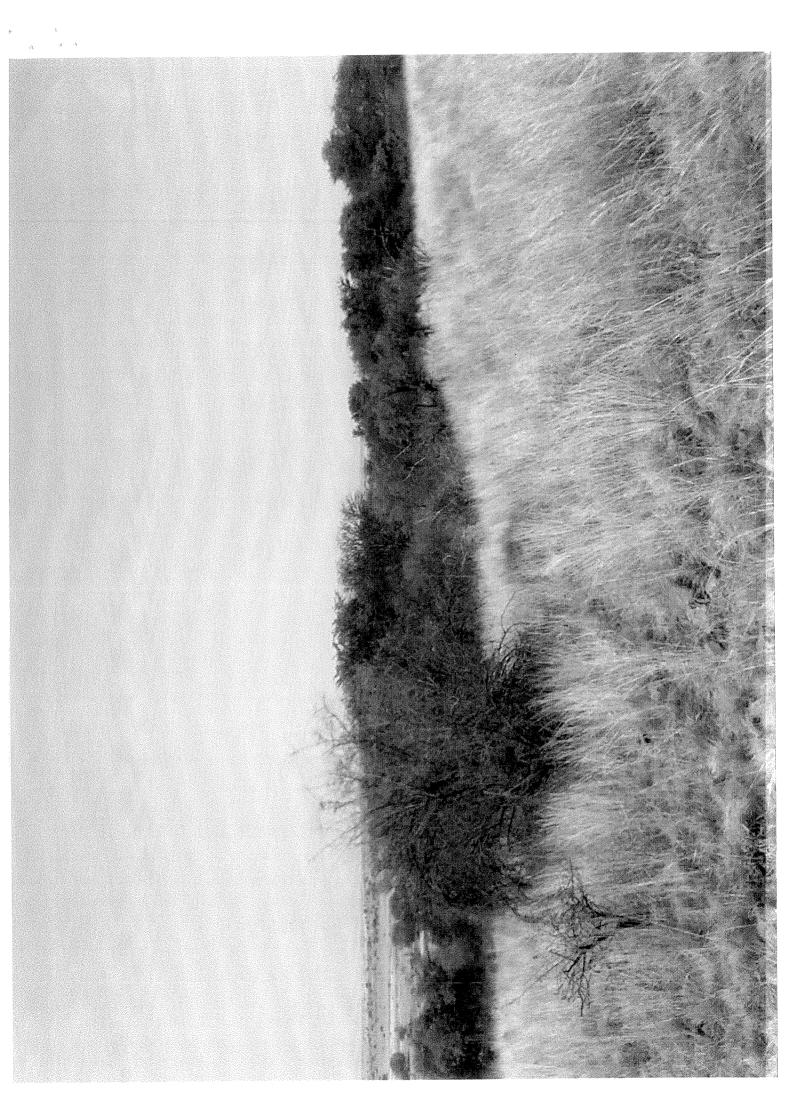
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Dear Ms Moukangwe,

EXEMPTION FROM UNDERTAKING AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT: NOTIFICATION OF MEDIUM VOLTAGE (MV) LINES TO BE BUILD ESKOM DISTRIBUTION PROJECT NAME: MINOR RETIC: HER35917537

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has received notification of your intention to construct a 385, 13 meter medium voltage (11kV) line in the Klerksdorp area, North West Province.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. In general, this means that before such sites are disturbed by development it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment is done. This must include the archaeological component (Phase 1) and any other applicable heritage components. Appropriate mitigation (Phase 2), which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed are done as required

According to the information provided on the above project, it seems unlikely that any significant impacts on heritage resources will result from this project.

Consequently, SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed construction of the 385,13 meter 11kV medium voltage line and requires that the following recommendations are adhered to:

1. If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials or other categories of heritage resources are found during construction activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Mrs Colette Scheermeyer, Tel: 021-462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and an accredited professional archaeologist must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary at the cost of the developer.

Yours sincerely

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