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## 1. PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

The purpose of this Background Information Document (BID) is as follows:

- It serves as an introduction and description of the proposed Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV power line project;
- It provides an overview of the environmental assessment process;
- It provides notification to potential Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), and allows them the opportunity to comment on the proposed project.

According to GN No. R. 385 (2006), "*Interested and Affected Party*" means an interested and affected party contemplated in section 24(4)(d) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998), and which in terms of that section includes –

- any person, group of persons or organisation interested in or affected by an activity; and
- any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

## 2. BACKGROUND & INTRODUCTION

Increased demand for a reliable electricity supply in the Southern Grid has necessitated that Eskom Transmission improves the reliability and capacity of the transmission network into the area. The East London area, which is supplied from Pembroke and Neptune substations, is presently unfirm since a Delphi – Neptune 400kV line N-1 contingency during peak would result in exceedance of the Poseidon – Pembroke 220kV line emergency rating of 360MW.

There is a further need to reinforce the network to ensure network security under N-1 contingency together with the quality and reliability of supply to customers. These network reinforcements are required to mitigate existing network constraints and also to increase network capacity to cater for forecasted load growth in the East London area.

Subsequent to the network analysis based on regulatory standard, the least economic cost network solutions to Eskom Holdings, which will mitigate existing Distribution voltage regulation problems and the Transmission network security in the East London Customer Load Network (CLN) were identified. This network solution would have to meet the following minimum requirements:

- Improve reliability of the existing East London Transmission network (N-1 presently and N-1-1 beyond 2010).
- Improve East London network voltage regulation.
- Create additional Transmission network capacity to supply the increasing electricity demand in the Southern Grid.

Based on the analysis of the possible Distribution and Transmission alternatives to mitigate existing and foreseen network constraints, the Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV power line project was identified as the preferred option as part of the greater East London Strengthening scheme.

The phased-in approach of the greater East London Strengthening Scheme will be adopted to ensure that no future N-1 contingency in the Cape or Eastern Grid corridor

will result in voltage collapse in the Transmission network. All Transmission network deficiencies in the East London will be mitigated until at least 2020 by commissioning all proposed project of this scheme, provided that the proposed Generation and East Grid 765kV integration goes ahead as planned. This project will also have an added advantage of supporting the voltage constrained Eastern Grid network until East Grid 765kV is commissioned.

## 3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Refer to accompanying locality map (overleaf) for the discussion to follow.



View along vacant servitude

The project will entail the construction of a new 400kV line of approximately 191km length between the existing Neptune (near East London) and Poseidon (near Cookhouse) substations. The proposed alignment is situated within the

existing vacant Eskom servitude between the aforementioned substations.

The substations will also be expanded and upgraded to accommodate the new line.

In addition, two turnings of approximately 5km each, will be constructed from the proposed Neptune-Poseidon line to the existing Pembroke substation site.

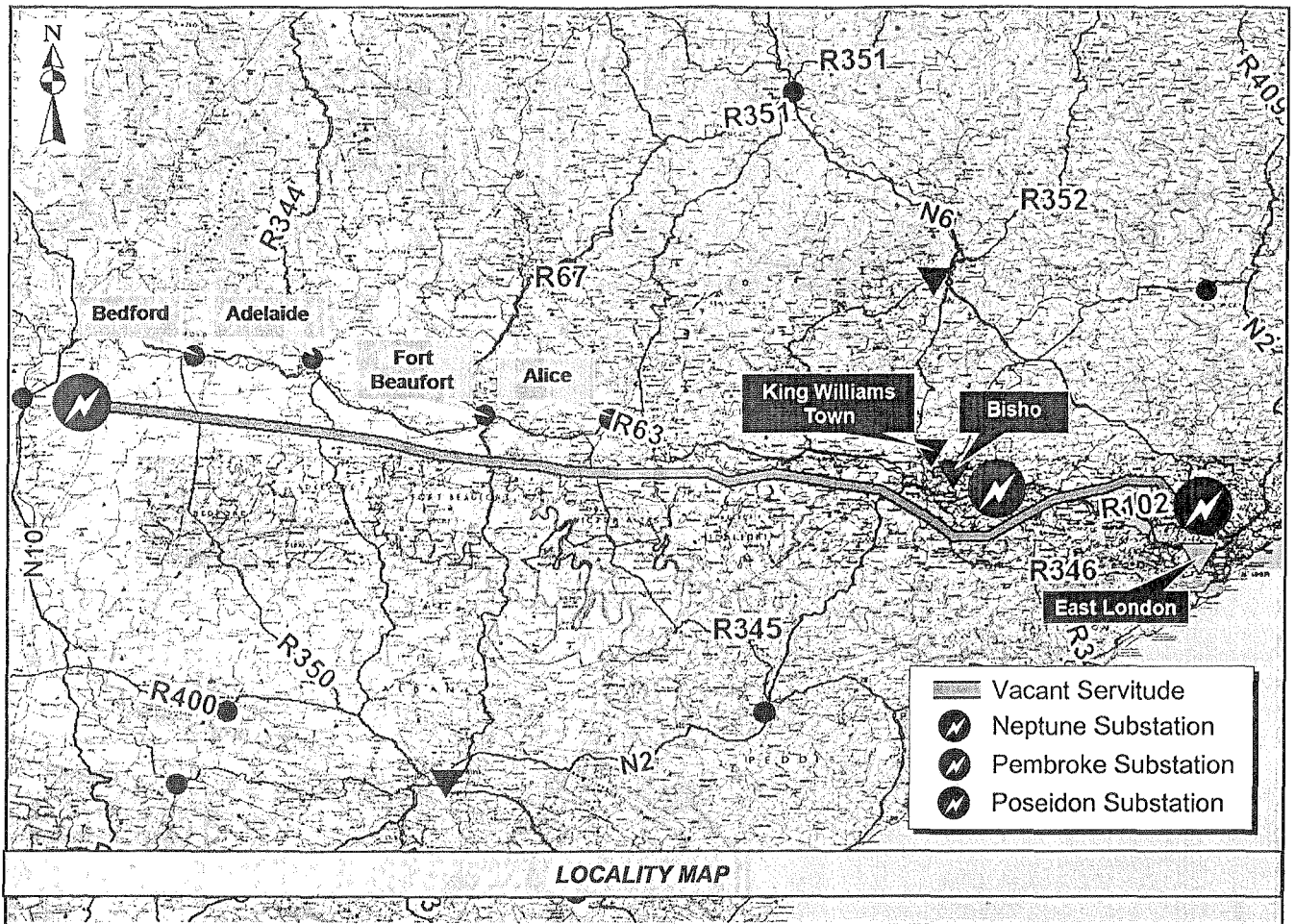
## 4. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### 4.1 Process

The Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV power line project requires authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998), which will be undertaken in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (Government Notice No. R385, R386 and R387). Nema Consulting was appointed by Eskom as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the EIA.

An Application was submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT) in February 2009 to undertake a Scoping and EIA process.

**Note: The DEAT Reference Number allocated to Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV power line is: 12/12/20/1439**



The activities that form part of the proposed project for which authorisation is required include the following:

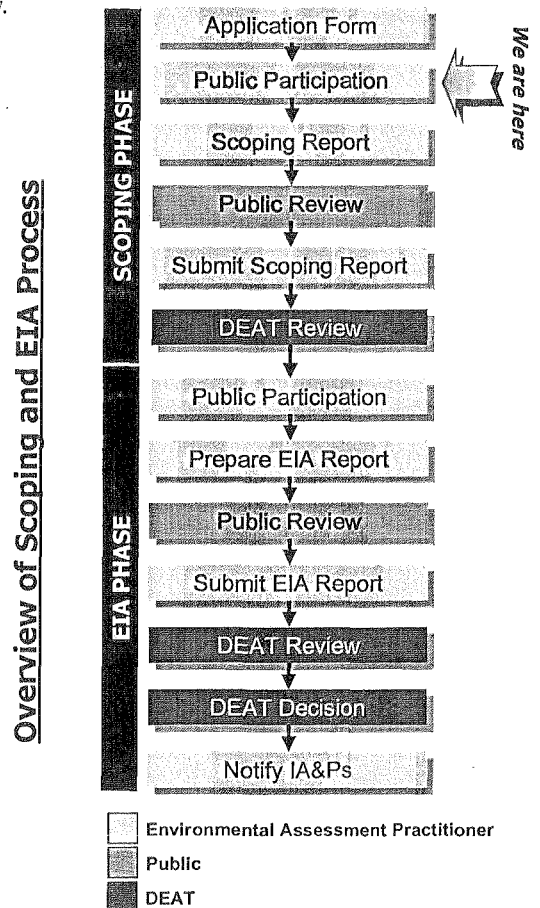
**Government Notice No. R. 387 (April 2006):**

- 1(c) *The above ground storage of dangerous goods, including petrol, diesel, liquid petroleum gas or paraffin, in containers with a combined capacity of more than 1,000 m<sup>3</sup> at any one location or site, including the storage of one or more dangerous goods, in a tank farm.*
- 1(l) *The construction of facilities or infrastructure, including associated structures or infrastructure for the transmission and distribution of above ground electricity with a capacity of 120 kilovolts or more.*
- 2 *Any development activity, including associated structures or infrastructure, where the total area is, or intended to be, 20 hectares or more.*

**Government Notice No. R. 386 (April 2006):**

- 12 *The transformation or removal of indigenous vegetation of 3 hectares or more or of any size where the transformation or removal would occur within a critically endangered or an endangered ecosystem listed in terms of section 52 of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004).*
- 14 *The construction of masts of any material or type and of any height, including those used for telecommunication broadcasting and radio transmission.*
- 15 *The construction of a road that is wider than 4 meters or that has a reserve wider than 6 meters, excluding roads that fall within the ambit of another listed activity or which are access roads less than 30 metres long.*
- 20 *The transformation of an area zoned for use as public open space for a conservation purpose to another use.*

An overview of the Scoping and EIA process is shown below.



## 4.2 Specialist Studies

At this stage the following specialist studies have been identified:

- Ecological Study;
- Heritage Impact Assessment;
- Agricultural Potential Study;
- Visual Impact Assessment; and
- Socio-economic Study.

Additional studies may be identified as the EIA process unfolds.

## 4.3 Public Participation

The public participation process that is currently underway entails the following:

1. Developing a database of I&APs, including landowners, stakeholders, authorities and the general public;
2. Notifying I&APs through the placement of notice boards and newspaper advertisements (local and regional newspapers), and distributing the BID;
3. Convening meetings to allow for project-related discussions;
4. Granting I&APs the opportunity to review the Scoping as well as the Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (to be completed later on in process); and
5. Advertising the environmental decision in the local newspapers and notifying all registered I&APs of the decision.

In order to ensure that you are registered as an I&AP, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project by completing the attached Reply Form and returning it to Nemaï Consulting. *Note that the registration period has been extended from the original date to accommodate broader public participation. The comments received up to 29 July 2009 will be included in the Scoping Report. All comments received thereafter will be included in the subsequent EIA Report.*

I&APs are encouraged to participate in the process in order for concerns to be addressed and included in the Scoping and EIA reports.

During the EIA phase public meetings will be convened to present *inter alia* the findings of the specialist studies and the progress of the environmental assessment. The details of these meetings will be communicated later on in the process.

## 5. CONTACT DETAILS

For any queries pertaining to the project, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner below:



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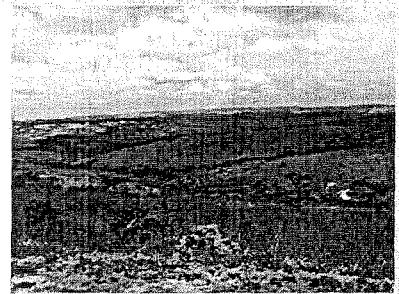
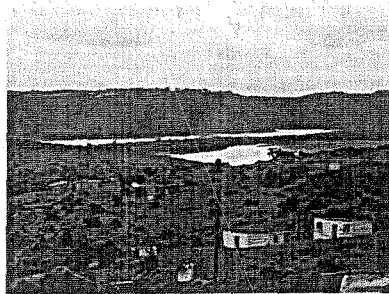
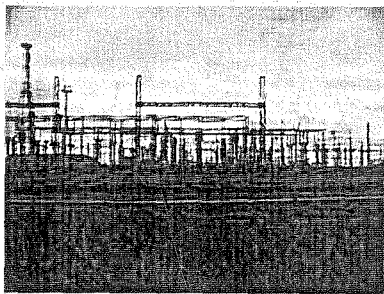
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*Thank you for your participation*

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Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV Kraglyn

**OMVANGSBEPALING EN OMGEWINGSIMPAKSTUDIE**



**AGTERGROND INLIGTINGSDOKUMENT**  
**OMVANGSBEPALING FASE**



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## 1. DOEL VAN DOKUMENT

Die doel van die Agtergrond Inligtingsdokument (AID) is as volg:

- Dit dien as agtergrond en beskrywing van die voorgestelde Neptune-Poseidon 400kV transmissiekraglyn projek;
- Dit verskaf 'n oorsig van die Omgewingsimpakstudie proses;
- Dit verskaf inligting aan potensiële Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Partye (B&GPe), en verskaf die geleentheid om kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde projek.

Ingevolge Staatskennisgewing No. R. 385 (2006), beteken "Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Partye" enige persoon volgens afdeling 24(4)(d) van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (Wet No. 107 van 1998), en wat volgens die afdeling die volgende insluit –

- (a) enige persoon, groep persone, of organisasie wat geïnteresseerd of geaffekteerd is deur 'n aktiwiteit; en
- (b) enige staatsorgaan wat jurisdiksie mag hê oor enige aspek van die aktiwiteit.

## 2. AGTERGROND & INLEIDING

Verhoogde aanvraag na betroubare elektrisiteitslewering in die Suidelike Netwerk het Eskom Transmissie aangespoor om die transmissienetwerk in die area se betroubaarheid en kapasiteit te verbeter. Die krag voorsiening in die Oos-Londen area, wat deur die Pembroke en Neptune substasies voorsien word, is huidiglik onstabiel, aangesien 'n Delphi – Neptune 400kV kraglyn N-1 toevalligheid gedurende spits verbruik sal veroorsaak dat die Poseidon – Pembroke 220kV kraglyn se noodrang van 360MW oorskry.

'n Verdere versterking van die netwerk word benodig om betroubaarheid daarvan te verseker tydens N-1 toevalligheid, tesame met die kwaliteit en betroubaarheid van voorsiening aan verbruikers. Die netwerk versterkings word benodig om die huidige beperkings te verlig en om die netwerk se kapasiteit te verhoog om voorsiening te maak vir die verwagte lastetoename in die Oos-Londen area.

Na 'n netwerk analise wat uitgevoer was volgens regulatoriese standaarde, was die laagste ekonomiese koste netwerk oplossing vir Eskom Holdings geïdentifiseer, wat versagting tot die huidige probleme met die Distribusie stroomspanning regulasie en Transmissie netwerk sekuriteit in die Oos-Londen Kliente Ladings Netwerk teweeg sal bring. Die netwerk oplossing moet aan die volgende minimum vereistes voldoen:

- Verbeter betroubaarheid van die bestaande Oos-Londen Transmissie netwerk (huidiglik N-1; N-1-1 na 2010);
- Verbeter Oos-Londen netwerk spannings regulasie; en
- Ontwikkel addisionele Transmissie netwerk kapasiteit om aan die verhoogde elektrisiteits behoeftes in die Suidelike netwerk te voorsien.

Gebaseer op die analise van die moontlike Distribusie en Transmissie alternatiewe om die huidige en voorspelde netwerk beperkings aan te spreek, was die Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV Kraglyn projek geïdentifiseer as die

verkose opsie as deel van die wyer Oos-Londen Versterkingskema.

Die wyer Oos-Londen Versterkingskema sal in fases uitgevoer word om te verseker dat toekomstige N-1 toevalligheid in die Kaap of Oostelike netwerk korridor nie 'n spannings ineenstorting van die Transmissie netwerk veroorsaak nie. Alle Transmissie netwerk tekorte in Oos-Londen sal verlig word tot en met 2020 deurmiddel van te gaan met al die voorgestelde projekte van die skema (mits die voorgestelde Generasie en Oostelike netwerk 765kV integrasie soos beplan voort gaan). Die projek sal ook verder die spannings beperkte Oostelike netwerk ondersteun totdat die 765kV Oostelike netwerk geïmplementeer word.

## 3. PROJEEK BESKRYWING

Verwys na die bykomende liggings kaart (keersy) vir die bespreking wat volg.



Leë bestaande serwituit

Die projek behels die konstruksie van 'n nuwe 400kV kraglyn van omtrent 191km tussen die bestaande Neptune (naby Oos-Londen) en Poseidon (naby Cookhouse) substasies. Die voorgestelde roete volg die bestaande Eskom serwituit tussen die

vooraangenoemde substasies.

Die substasies sal ook uitgebrei en opgegradeer word om die nuwe kraglyn te akomodeer.

Twee aansluitlyne van omtrent 5km elk sal ook gebou word om die beoogde Neptune-Poseidon kraglyn met die bestaande Pembroke substasie te verbind.

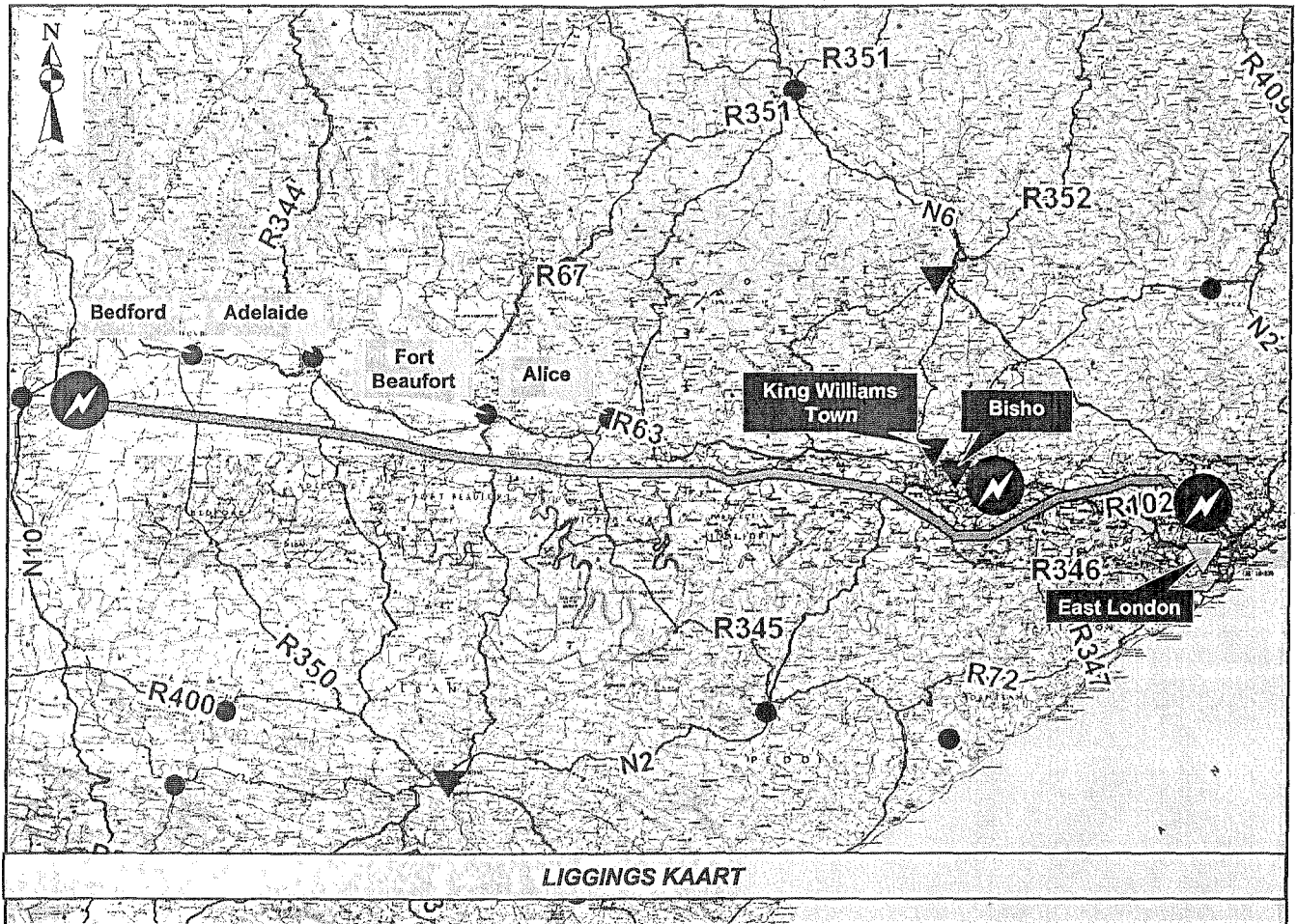
## 4. OMGEWINGS BEPALING

### 4.1 Proses

Die Neptune-Poseidon 400kV kraglyn projek benodig goedkeuring in terme van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (Wet No. 107 van 1998), wat ingevolge die Omgewingsimpakstudie Regulasies (Staatkennisgewing No. R. 385, R386 en R387) uitgevoer moet word. Nemaï Consulting is deur Eskom aangestel as die onafhanklike omgewings konsultant om die Omgewingsimpakstudie uit te voer.

'n Aansoek om 'n Omgewingsimpakstudie proses te onderneem is by die Nasionale Departement van Omgewingsake en Toerisme (DEAT) in Februarie 2009 ingedien.

**Neem kennis:**  
Die DEAT Verwysingsnommer vir die Neptune-Poseidon 400 kV kraglyn projek is: **12/12/20/1439**



Die volgende aktiwiteite waarvoor goedkeuring benodig word, is van toepassing op die voorgestelde projek:

**Staatskennisgewing No. R. 387 (April 2006):**

- 1(c) Die bou van fasiliteite of infrastruktuur, met inbegrip van verwante strukture of infrastruktuur, vir die bogrondse berging van gevaarlike goedere, met inbegrip van petrol, diesel, vloeibare petroleumgas of paraffien, in houers met 'n totale kapasiteit van 1000 m<sup>3</sup> of meer by enige plek of terrein waar een of meer gevaarlike goedere geberg word, in 'n tenkplaas.
- 1(l) Die bou van fasiliteite of infrastruktuur, met inbegrip van verwante strukture of infrastruktuur, vir die leiding en verspreiding van bogrondse elektrisiteit met 'n kapasiteit van 120 kV of meer.
- 2 Elke ontwikkelingsbedrywigheid, met inbegrip van verwante strukture en infrastruktuur, waar die totale gebied van die ontwikkelde gebied 20 hektaar of meer is, of so beplan word.

**Staatskennisgewing No. R. 386 (April 2006):**

- 12 Die transformasie of verwydering van natuurlike plantegroei van 3 hektaar of meer van enige grootte waar die transformasie of verwydering binne 'n krities bedreigde of bedreigde ekosisteem sal plaasvind.
- 14 Die bou van maste van enige materiaal of soort, en van enige hoogte, met inbegrip van dié wat gebruik word vir telekommunikasieuitsending en radiouitsending, vlagpale en weerligafleierpale.
- 15 Die bou van 'n pad wat breër is as 4 meter of wat 'n reserwe het wat breër is as meter, uitsluitend paaie wat binne die strekking val van 'n ander gelyste bedrywigheid of wat toegangspaaie van minder as 30 meter in lengte is.
- 20 Die transformasie van 'n area wat gesoneer is as publieke oop ruimte vir bewarings doeleindes na 'n ander verbruik.

'n Oorsig van die Omvangsbepaling en Omgewingsimpakstudie proses word hieronder aangedui.



## 4.2 Spesialis Studies

Op die stadium is die volgende spesialis studies geïdentifiseer:

- Ekologiese Studie;
- Erfenis Impak Studie;
- Landbou Potensiaal Studie;
- Visuele Impak Studie; en
- Sosio-ekonomiese Studie.

Verdere studies mag geïdentifiseer word soos die omgewingsimpakstudie proses ontvou.

## 4.3 Public Participation

Die publieke deelname proses wat huidiglik onderweg is behels die volgende:

1. Ontwikkel 'n databasis van B&GPe, insluitend grond eienaars, rolspelers, owerhede en die algemene publiek;
2. Stel B&GPe in kennis deur die plasing van kennisgewings en koerant advertensies (plaaslik en streeks koerante) en die verspreiding van die agtergrond inligtingsdokument
3. Sameroeping van vergaderings om geleentheid te bied vir projek verwante besprekings;
4. Stel die Omvangsbepaling en Omgewingsimpakstudie verslae (wat later in die proses voltooi sal word) beskikbaar vir B&GPe insae en kommentaar; en
5. Adverteer die omgewingsbesluit in die plaaslike koerante en stel all die geregistreerde B&GPe in kennis van die besluit.

*Dankie vir u deelname*

Om te verseker dat u geregistreer word as 'n B&GP stuur asseblief 'n voltooide Terugvoerings Vorm (hierby aangeheg) aan Nemaï Consulting voor **29 Julie 2009**. Neem asseblief kennis dat die registrasie periode met een maand verleng is vanaf die oorspronklike datum om sodoende meer breedvoerige publieke deelname to akkommodeer.

B&GPe word aangemoedig om deel te neem aan die proses sodat alle besorgdheid aangaande die projek aangespreek en ingesluit kan word in die Omvangsbepaling en Omgewingsimpakstudie verslae.

Die bevindinge van die spesialis studies en die status van die omgewings bepaling sal tydens publieke verdagerings aangebied word, gedurende die Omgewingsimpakstudie fase. Verdere inligting aangaande die voorafgenoemde vergaderings sal mettertyd deurgegee word.

## 5. KONTAK BESONDERHEDE

Vir enige navrae aangaande die projek, skakel gerus die omgewings consultant.



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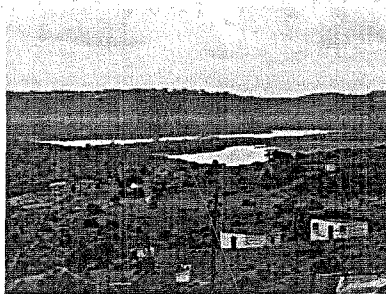
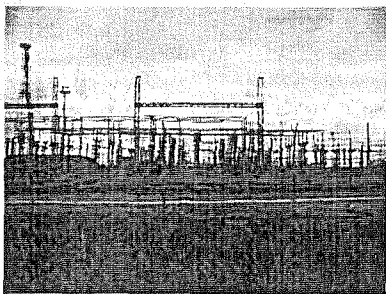
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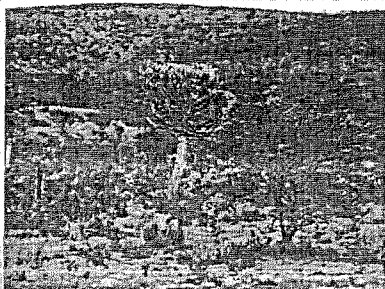
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NEZINTAMBO ZOKUHAMBISA UGESI ZE NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400KV

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## 1. INJONGO YOLU XWEBHU

Injongo yolu Xwebhu loLwazi lweMvelaphi (BID) koku kulandelayo:

- Isebenza njengentshayeleyo nenkcazo yephulo elicetywayo locingo lwamandla ombane iNeptune-Poseidon 400 kV;
- Ibonelela ngenkangeleko yenkqubo yovavanyo lwezendalo;
- Ibonelela ngesaziso kwabo banokuthi babenoMdlana naMaqela aChaphazelekayo (I&APs), kwaye ibanika ithuba lokwenza ilizwi kwiphulo elicetywayo.

Ngokubhekisele kuGN No. R. 385 (2006), "OnoMdlana neQela eliChaphazelekayo" uthetha iqela elinomdla nelichaphazelekayo elicamngcwe kwisiqendu 24(4)(d) soMthetho weSizwe woLawulo lweNdalo (No. 107 ka1998), kwaye elithi ngokwemimiselo yesa siqendu libandakanye –

(a) nabanina, iqela labantu okanye umbutho onomdla okanye ochaphazelekayo yinkquleghu; kunye

(b) naliphina isebe likarhulumente elinganolawulo nakweliphina icandelo lwaloo nkquleghu.

## 2. IMVELAPHI NENTSHAYELELO

Imfuno eyongezelelekileyo yobonelelo ngombane oluthembekileyo kwiGridi eseMazantsi yenze kwayimfuneko ukuba uHambiso-mbane lukaEskom luphucule ukuthembeka nomthamo wothungelwano wohambiso-mbane kula ngingqi. Ingingqi yaseMonti, ebonelelwa zizitishana iPembroke neNeptune, ayizinzanga ngeli thuba kuba iDelphi – Neptune 400kV kucingo N-1 enokwehla ngexesha usetyenziso-mbane lukwinkchochoyi inganeziphumo zokugqithisa kumlinganiselo wocingo ngethuba likaxakeka ongama360MW wePoseidon – Pembroke 220kV.

Kukho imfuno engenye yokomeleza uthungelwano ukuqinisekisa ukhuseleko lothungelwano phantsi kwesheho esinokwehla kuN-1 kunye nobulunga nokuthembeka kobonelelo kubathengi. Ezi zomelezo zothungelwano ziyafuneka ukunciphisa izinyanzeliso ezikhoyo zothungelwano kunye futhi nokwandisa umthamo wothungelwano ukulungiselela ukukhula okuthetelelelwayo komthwalo kwingingqi yaseMonti.

Emva kohlalutylo lothungelwano olusekelwe kumgangatho olawulayo, izisombululo zothungelwano ezizezona zixabisa kancinci ngokwezimali kuEskom Holdings, ezakuthi zinciphise iingxaki ezikhoyo zolawulo kuSasazo lwamandla ombane kunye nokhuseleko lothungelwano loHambiso-mbane kuThungelwano loMthwalo wabaThengi baseMonti (CLN) zaye zachongwa. Esi sisombululo kwakufuneka sikhawulelane nezi mfundo zibubuncinane zilandelayo:

- Ukuphucula ukuthembeka kothungelwano loHambiso-mbane lwaseMonti olukhoyo (uN-1 ngokwangoku kunye noN-1-1 ngaphaya kuka2010).
- Ukuphucula ulawulo losasazo lwamandla ombane kuthungelwano lwaseMonti.
- Ukudala umthamo wothungelwano loHambiso-mbane owongeziweyo ukubonelela imfuno eyongezekileyo yombane kwiGridi eseMazantsi.

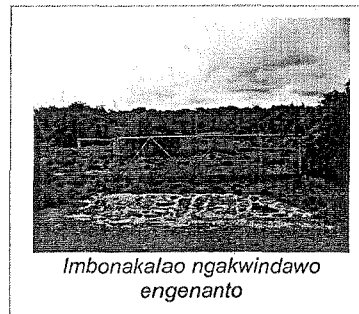
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izinyanzeliso ezikhoyo nezibonwa ngeliso lentelekelelo, iphulo locingo lwamandla iNeptune-Poseidon 400 kV lachongwa njengendlela ekhethiweyo njengenxalenye yesicwangciso sokoMeleza iMonti.

Iqhinga longeniso ngesinqamu lweSicwangciso sokoMeleza iMonti lakuthi lamkelwe ukuqinisekisa ukuba kwixa elizayo akukho sheho esinokwenzeka sikaN-1 kwikhoro yeKoloni okanye kwiGridi eseMpuma esakuba neziphumo ezikukufadala kwamandla ombane kuthungelwano loHambiso-mbane. Zonke iziphene zothungelwano loHambiso-mbane eMonti zakuncitshiswa de ubuncinane kube ngu2020 ngokuthi kugunyaziswe onke amaphulo acetyiweyo esi sicwangciso, ngokuxhomekeke ekubeni ukumanywa okucetyiweyo kokuDalwa neGridi yaseMpuma i765kV kuyaqhubeka njengoko kucwangcisiwe. Eli phulo kwakhona lakuba nenzuzo eyongezelelekileyo yokuxhasa uthungelwano lweGridi eseMpuma enezinyanzeliso zamandla ombane kude kugunyaziswe iGridi eseMpuma i765kV.

## 3. INKCAZO YEPHULO

Khangela kwimaphu yendawo ekhaphayo (kwelinye icala lephepha) ngokubhekisele kule ngxoxo ilandelayo.



Imbonakalao ngakwindawo engenanto

Eli phulo liza kuquka ukwakhiwa kocingo i400kV olubude bumalunga ne191km phakathi kwezitishana iNeptune (ngaseMonti) nePoseidon (ngaseCookhouse). Olu lungelelaniso lucetywayo lufumaneka ngaphakathi kummandla oluxanduva

lukaEskom oliyimpengempenge phakathi kwezi zitishana zezichaziwe.

Futhi ezi zitishana ziza kwandiswa kunyuswe nomgangatho wazo ukuhlangabezana nolu cingo lutsha. Ngaphezulu, iziphambuka ezimbini ezimalunga ne5km sisinye, ziza kwakhiwa ukusuka kucingo lweNeptune-Poseidon olucetywayo ukuya kutsho kwisiza sesitishana Pembroke.

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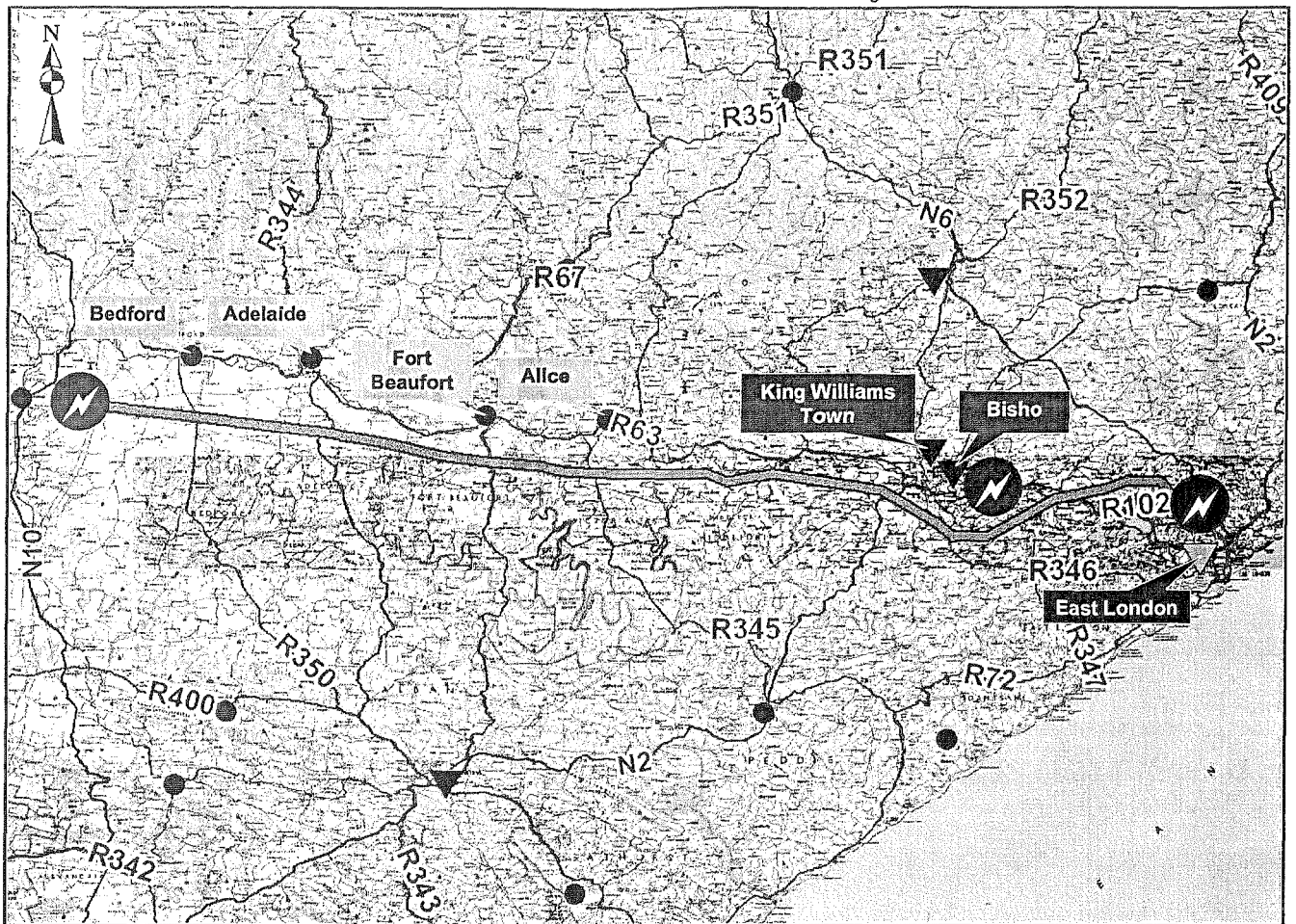
### 4.1 Inkqubo

Iphulo locingo lwamandla ombane iNeptune-Poseidon 400 kV lifuna uganyaziso ngokubhekisele kuMthetho woLawulo lwezeNdalo (No. 107 of 1998), elakuthi lwenziwe ngokungqamene neMiqathango yoVavanyo lweMpembelelo kwezeNdalo (EIA) (ISaziso sikaRhulumente No. R385, R386 kunye noR387). INemai Consulting yanyulwa nguEskom njengeNgcali yoVavanyo lwezeNdalo ukuze liqhube iEIA.

ISicelo sokwenza iinkqubo zoSiko loMda neEIA safakwa kwiSebe lezeNdalo noKhenketho (DEAT) kweyoMdumba ku2009.

**Qaphela: INombolo yeSalathiso yeDEAT enikezelwe kucingo lwamandla ombane iNeptune-Poseidon 400kv: 12/12/20/1439**

*nosasazo ngonomathotholo.*



linkquleqhu eziyinxalenye yeli phulo licetywayo ezifuna ugunyaziso ziquka ezi zilandelayo:

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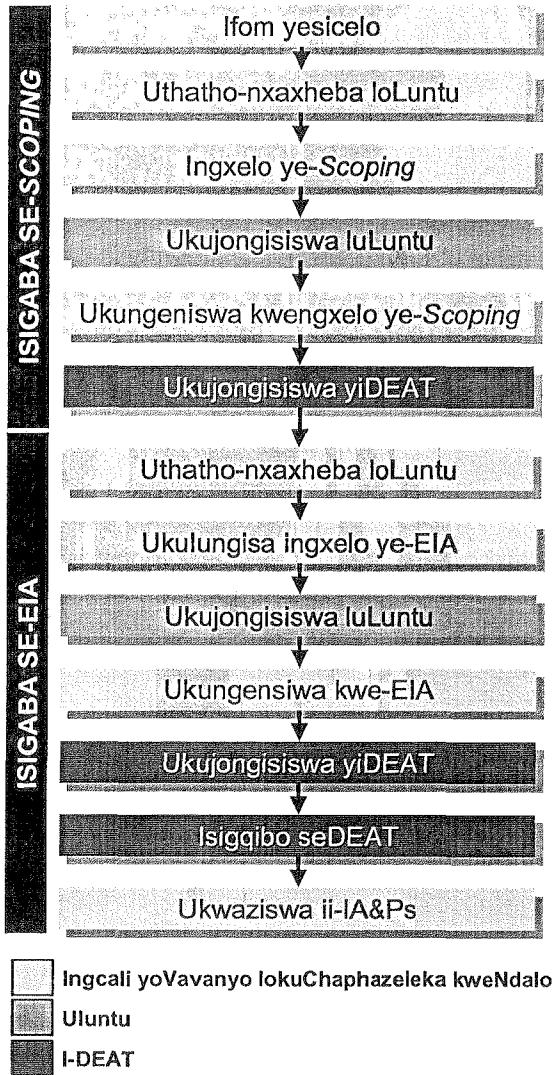
- 1(c) Ugcino lwezinto ezinobungozi ngaphezu komhlaba, kuquka ipetroli, idizili, irhasi yepetroliyam elulwelo okanye iparafini, izikhongozelo ezinomthamo ongaphezulu kwe1,000 m<sup>3</sup> kuyo nayiphina indawo okanye isiza, kuquka ugcino lwento enobungozi enye okanye ezininzi, kwifama yetanki.
- 1(l) Ukwakhiwa kwendawo zoncedo okanye izisetyenziswa eziluncedo, kuquka nezakhiwo ezinxulumeneyo okanye izisetyenziswa eziluncedo ukuhambisa nokusasaza umbane ongaphezu komhlaba onomthamo oli120 eekilovoliti okanye ngaphezulu.
- 2 Nayiphina inkquleqhu yophuhliso, kuquka izakhiwo nezisetyenziswa eziluncedo ezinxulumeneyo, apho ubukhulu bendawo bubonke, okanye kunenjongo zokuba bube, z iihektare okanye ngaphezulu.

**ISaziso sikaRhulumente No. R. 386 (EkaTshazimpuzi 2006):**

- 12 Ukuguqulwa okanye ukususwa kwezityalo eziyinkulelane kwiihektare ezi3 okanye ngaphezulu okanye nokuba zibubukhulu obungakanani apho uguqulo okanye ukususwa kwakwenzeka ngaphakathi kwisicwangciso sendalo esengozini ngokumandundu okanye indalo esengozini ngokudweliswe kwisiqendu sama52 woLawulo lweSizwe lweNdalo: uMthetho weNdalo eyaHlukileyo, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004).
- 14 Ukwakhiwa kweemasti zalo naluphina uhlobo okanye e udidi kunye nakuphina ukuphakama, kubandakanya nezo zisetyenziswa kusasazo lonxibelelwano kunye

- 15 Ukwakhiwa kwendlela evuleke ngaphezu kweemitha ezi4 okanye enommandla obekiweyo ovuleke ngaphezulu kweemitha ezi6, ngaphandle kweendlela eziwa ngaphakathi kumda wenye inkquleqhu ekuluhlu okanye iindlela zokufikelela ezibude bungaphantsi kweemitha ezingama30.
- 20 Ukuguqulelwa komnye umsebenzi kommandla ocandwe ngengethafa likawonke-wonke ngenjongo yolondolozo.

Inkangeleko yenkqubo yosiko loMda ne-EIA iyabonakaliswa apha ngezantsi.



**4.2 IZifundo zobuNgcali**

Ezi zifundo zobungcali zilandelayo zichongiwe kweli nqanaba:

- IsiFundo ngeZinto eziPhilayo neNdawo eziPhila kuzo ;
- UVavanyo lweMpembelelo kwiLifa;
- IsiFundo ngoKunokwenzeka ngokubhekisele kweZolimo;
- UVavanyo lweMpembelelo kokuBonakalayo; kunye
- NesiFundo ngoQoqosho loLuntu.

Izifundo ezizezinye zingachongwa ngelithuba inkqubo yeEIA iqhubeka.

**4.3 UkuThathwa kweNxaxheba luLuntu**

Inkqubo yokuthathwa kwenxaxheba luluntu eqhubekayo ngoku iquka oku kulandelayo:

1. Ukuyila ugcino lolwazi ngeel&APs, kubandakanya abanini-mhlaba, abanini-zahlulo, abasemagunyeni noluntu jikelele;
2. Ukwazisa ii-I&APs ngokubeka iibhodi zezaziso nemipapasho kumaphepha-ndaba (amaphepha-ndaba asekuhlaleni nawengingqi), nokusasaza iBID;
3. Ukubiza iintlanganiso zoluntu kunye nabasemagunyeni ukulungiselela iingxoxo ezimayela nephulo eli;

4. Ukunika ii-I&APs ithuba lokuhlalutya uSiko lweMida kunye neeNgxelo zoVavanyo lweMpembelelo kwezeNdalo (ezakuthi zigqitywe kamva kule nkqubo); kunye
5. Nokupapasha isigqibo ngezendalo kwiphepha-ndaba lasekuhlaleni nokwazisa ii-I&APs ezibhalisiweyo ngesigqibo.

Ukuqinisekisa ukuba ubhalisiwe njengelungu-le I&AP, nceda ufake igama lakho, iinkcukacha zoqhagamishelwano nomdla kwiphulo ngokugcwalisa iFomu yokuPhendula enamathelisiweyo. Ubungakanani bexesha lokubuyisela iFomu yeMpendulo kuNemai Consulting ukuze ubhalise njengeI&AP ukusukela we29 kweyeKhala 2009. Qaphela ukuba ixesha lokubhalisa lwandisiwe ngenyanga ukwenzela nabo abangalifumenanga ithuba bakwazi ukulifumana.

Ii-I&APs ziyakhuthazwa ukuba zithathe inxaxheba kule nkqubo ukuze kukhawulelwane nemicimbi azakuthi ziyiphakamise kwaye ibandakanywe kwiingxelo zoSiko Mida ne-EIA.

Ngethuba lenqanaba le-EIA intlanganiso kawonke-wonke iyakubizwa ukuze kunikezelwe phakathi kwezinye izinto okufunyanisiweyo kwizifundo zobungcali kunye nenkqubela-phambili yovavanyo lwendalo. Iinkcukacha ngentlanganiso yesibini kawonke-wonke zakube zichazwe kamva apha kwinkqubo.

**5. IINKCUKACHA ZOQHAGAMISHELWANO**

Malunga nayihina imibuzo emayela nephulo, nceda uqhagamishelane neNgcali yoVavanyo lwezeNdalo apha ngezantsi:



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*Enkosi ngokuthatha kwakho inxaxheba.*

# APPENDIX E

## CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM I&APS

**Nomathemba Kwini**

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**From:** Howard and Hazel Ballantyne [howardb@intekom.co.za]

**Sent:** 17 March 2010 12:15

**To:** Donavan Henning

Dear Donavan

PROPOSED NEPTUNE – POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE.  
RE MEETING HELD ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2010  
MIDGLEYS HOTEL ADELAIDE.

Do you recall I was the only farmer present at the meeting. The reason being that our mail only reached Adelaide the Friday before the meeting.

Being a registered game rancher, and that I catch game annually on my farm Hammonds Fort Beaufort with a helicopter,  
I was wondering if you had any feed back from the parties concerned, regarding the proposed power line to be constructed.  
You did inform me that there are alternative routes.

Could you please get back to me and update me on this regard.  
Hoping to hear from you soon

Regards  
Howard Ballantyne

From: Nanna Gouws (SR) [GouwsJ@nra.co.za]

Sent: 10 July 2009 13:01

To: Donovan Henning

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See separate e-mail to Mr Donovan Henning dated 10 July 2009

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I fully support this project.



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Concern for sensitine water environments. River crossings, wetlands ect.



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**Comments / Opmerkings / likhoment:**

None at this stage, as the proposed route / existing servitude does not appear to cross any ECP-managed protected areas, but we would like to be kept informed of the progress, and would like a copy of the Scoping Report and specialist studies, in particular the Ecological Study, Heritage Impact Assessment and Visual Impact Assessment.

## Nomathemba Kwini

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**From:** lairdking@xsinet.co.za  
**Sent:** 08 March 2010 16:05  
**To:** Donavan Henning  
**Cc:** sandyt@findata.co.za  
**Subject:** Proposed Power line

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Att Donavan Henning,  
NEMAI Consultants. 20/02/2010

Re: Neptune/Proseidon Power Line.

Good afternoon Donavan,

Firstly, thank you for the pleasant manner in which you and your "team" conducted the meeting at Thorn Park.

After coming away from the meeting feeling comfortable, my mind cannot help going back to the experiences I encountered when last I had dealings with a power line construction through my farm in Komga which I have since sold. The contractors, having erected the line, packed up and left when their job was done, leaving my farm in a mess. I had to request an inspection by a senior legal man from Megowat Park JHB, and with the assistance of an arbitrator (Mr. Luppnow) from East London, I was paid compensation for costs to repair the damage done to my property. However, I had to repair all the damages to roads and fences myself.

As we consider the case at hand, the Proseidon/Neptune line, the contractors will construct the line and move, and no longer be there for us in the years to come - once again leaving us at the mercy of Eskom should consequential problems arise. Mr. Koos v d Merwe, representing Eskom, appears very pleasant and sincere, but with due respect, who will be there for us when we need assistance later on?

I note that the construction work will be signed-off, the inspection having been done. However, the power line and the scars over our land are permanent, as well as the knowledge that if we encounter problems in the future, we stand all alone - this I have experienced first-hand, and believe me, you do stand alone!

We have to endure the inconvenience of the construction work where contractors have a task to do with not much (if any) regard to the property or the owner. The structures are massive and require suitable roads to be constructed to accommodate the huge machines for concrete foundations and erection of the pylons. My small properties of 30ha and 20ha have three valleys with steep gradients and I would estimate at least five pylons to be erected, of which only one has easy access. To access the remainder will require major construction of roads and as a result, serious damage to the property. I cannot deny the endorsement on my title deed of the servitude in favour of Eskom, but are the contractors permitted to excavate off the servitude measuring 55m wide to gain access to the sites? I believe that they shall have to negotiate the right to access the sites if any deviation from the servitude is required for construction of roads in areas not within the servitude. After all, one has to consider access for the maintenance of the line in years to come as well.

I place my faith squarely on NEMAI Consultants and trust that the EIA will be fair to the land owners. There are more questions needing answers:

1. Who will maintain the access roads in the future? It is a fact that the roads on my Komga farm were not maintained and subsequent storm damage and normal wear had to be repaired by me, at my cost, and as a result I denied access to eskom to inspect or service the line.
2. When the power arrives, where will it be sent to and will we have additional lines to distribute the power? It makes no sense to think that additional power will be brought in, and not to consider the distribution of the power for use elsewhere.
3. Will we be disadvantaged in the development of the land in the future should the urban

edge come this way? Naturally the spiderweb of power lines will affect the potential for sub-division in the future, just as it will drastically affect my portion of land ie 600/12.

4. Will the spiderweb of lines disadvantage our area from any chance of future development by city planners? It would be normal for city planners to consider existing structures (and power lines) when planning the development of any area, and the Thorn Park region is definitely a future "node" with land values rising sharply over the last five years.

The presence of the line will certainly put a negative on future sales in the vicinity of the line for many reasons, (including the talk of cancer from radio-activity), with a serious effect on any future sub-division plans and consequent sales thereof, resulting in a substantial devaluation of these properties.

You will appreciate that the list of doubts grows, and it is impossible to note them all, but we are a few land owners who have to "give" for the sake of "reliability and capacity of the transmission network".

The region is going to move forward at our expense, and therefore an amicable solution is essential for those who "give" in the name of progress, and in the process are aggrieved, disadvantaged and inconvenienced. The Constitution which protects us all has spoken at length on like-matters with reconciliation only coming about with negotiation and restitution - this must surely be applicable to our rights as well!

Surely the added expense of any alternate routes and deviations which were discussed, would be far more costly and less practical than compensating the affected individuals. This compensation could be in the form of purchasing the land outright, or the compensation for loss incurred as a result of the line. My choice would be to sell and move away from the line, or alternatively accept compensation and then sell for reduced amount. I am not prepared to live near the power line, and having said that, I could not suggest the line be moved closer to any of my neighbours and thus compromise them in similar ways that grieve me.

Secondly, I have a second property (600/12) which will be ruined in terms of value, as the proposed line is planned very close to where the available and suitable site for a homestead will be. In both instances, farm 600/4 and 600/12, any on-site inspection would speak for itself.

I have also been in consultation with the Dept Trade and Industry for some time now, through a consultant at considerable cost, regarding attracting tourists by means of bush chalets for traditional experiences such as entertainment (food, dancing etc) deep within the pristine bush which will be affected by the power line.

The only access road onto the farm is through my garden and yard, where I have planted in excess of 400 indigenous trees, and I shall surely not allow the construction vehicles to traverse that area. The rest of my land has two very steep valleys through which the vehicles will not manage. It would therefore only be possible to gain access through the way of compensation, if the figure can be agreed upon.

When I study the location of the proposed line through my property, I see that it follows the same route as the present domestic line, and from what I heard at the meeting, it would require a 55m strip separating it from the existing line. This would take the present servitude of approximately 50m plus a 55m buffer strip and the new 55m servitude - a total of about 160m wide, the entire length of my properties, rendered totally useless for any real development. If my properties total 1000m (not measured) in length by 160m wide, I would forfeit 1000x160m to servitudes, which relates to a considerable proportion in terms of percentage of my land, or about 16 ha. (not measured).

I don't think many people in the negotiating process (yourself excluded), and certainly the contractors, realize the sensitive issues involved in the building of a structure such as this, and of course the maintenance thereof FOR EVER. The scars remaining from excavation work, trucks, cranes and tractors remain for a very long period of time, and I have spent the past five years since buying this property, repairing dongas and tracks which I suspect were caused by the erection of the small domestic line many years back.

When the servitudes were agreed upon, I would imagine a standard fee was paid for the registration. Where does the land owner stand in terms of the inconvenience of the workforce on the farm, access roads to the servitude etc.? It is all well having a servitude, but who decides where the contractors may travel to reach the said servitudes and the building of access roads which are not within the 55m.

I would not permit the construction of the line without due consideration to the accumulated financial loss caused by the damage to the property and the permanent eye-

sore that remains in the form of scars and an unsightly power line, as well as the health hazard to human and animal life. It would therefore be necessary for Eskom to purchase the properties, or alternatively, compensate the land owner for all loss in farming income as well as value of the properties calculated on the planned present and future development.

For the record, the investments in the properties are the largest investments the land owners will make, and have a serious impact on the future financial security of the individuals. It cannot be permitted that the democratic rights and the future financial security of any land owner should be adversely affected without adequate compensation to the aggrieved party.

I submit that most of the pertinent issues listed in your scoping report impact on these properties themselves (ie the land and the environment), but the most serious issue at hand for the land owner is the financial impact. All those living in the area do so from choice - they love the lifestyle and the land and therefore adhere to the pertinent issues - and realize the investment is solid and lucrative. However, the largest impacts become the most important, these being socio-economic, agricultural potential, aesthetics, noise and tourism. Together these issues drastically reduce the value of the property when the power line is built and the few land owners suffer irreparable financial consequences in the name of progress unless restitution takes place. Progress is obliged to compensate these land owners.

I am presently advertising my sub-division for sale, but my ethical duty is to disclose the proposed line, and therefore have to declare to any prospective purchaser the planned construction. I consequently have to delay the sale of the property, and this is seriously going to impact on my income and cash flows at a stage in my life when I am no longer able to derive alternative income.

In my case, we have concentrated our focal point from our home on the wonderful view. Regarded by many as a very valuable asset, the house design, garden and development are planned to maximize this feature. This will be destroyed by the power line through the centre of the focal point, and the additional destruction of the lovely views from the site for the house on the sub-division portion 600/12. (I enclose a picture of a sunset without a pylon, and another with a pylon in position.) I anticipate full and valued support from you as consultants, and although I do not want to sell the property, I am also not prepared to live near a power line of this size. The constant noise (buzzing sound) in moist weather from the conductors is very irritating and an additional factor why I am prepared to consider selling the properties to Eskom, which would relieve me of all the stress and emotion experienced previously, and I want to avoid any unnecessary strain on my health at this stage of my life, having moved to this property to semi-retire.

In my appeal to your assessment, I make mention of the most important factor or issue which is not readily considered, and that is the stress and trauma suffered by the affected party (again I mention that I have experienced this before). We love our land and can accept progress, but detest the damage done by progress, especially when it is selective and devastates the properties and livelihood of a few individuals - and for this reason, the state/eskom must be held responsible and are wholly compelled to adequately make good the losses, whether sentimental, financial, inconvenience, aesthetic, noise, or any other issue. Although the health and well-being of the land owner cannot be measured, issues of this nature are the cause of serious health and emotional problems if not resolved satisfactorily.

Eskom are building the line for economic purposes which will be beneficial to not only themselves, but to the region and the entire state, who in return derive a profitable income from the commodity, and this very definitely cannot be permitted to be at the expense of the individuals that are affected by supplying the land. Just as everyone else drawing power from the line for years to come, requires a profit, similarly the land owners must be afforded the opportunity to have financial stability for the future from their investment.

We look forward to your valued support, and hope to meet with you in the near future,  
Kind regards, Laird King 078 338 7346

**From:** René Oosthuizen [ReneO@L2B.co.za]  
**Sent:** 18 August 2009 08:46  
**To:** Donavan Henning  
**Subject:** Neptune-Poseidon Power Line (PPA 6848)  
*Dear Donavan Henning*

*Private Projects is following:*

*Construction of a new 400kV line of approximately 11km in length between the existing Neptune and Poseidon substations. The substation will also be expanded and upgraded to accommodate the new line. In addition, two turnings of approximately 5km each will be constructed from the proposed Neptune-Poseidon line to the existing Pembroke substation site. This project will be located along vacant Eskom servitude, situated between the existing Neptune, near East London, and Poseidon, near Cookhouse, substations in the Eastern Cape.*

*Please could you register me as an interested party?*

*Please can you inform me of the current status of these projects?*

*Furthermore, if possible please can you provide me with the contact details of the professional team involved with these projects.*

*Any updated information on these projects will be greatly appreciated.*

*Your assistance is appreciated.*

*Kindest regards*

*René Oosthuizen  
Regional Content Researcher  
Private Projects*

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**Sent:** 08 April 2010 11:31  
**To:** Donovan Henning  
**Subject:** Neptune-Poseidon Power Line (PPA 6848)

*Dear Donovan*

*Private projects are following the following project:*

*Construction of a new 400kV line of approximately 11km in length between the existing Neptune and Poseidon substations. The substation will also be expanded and upgraded to accommodate the new line. In addition, two turnings of approximately 5km each will be constructed from the proposed Neptune-Poseidon line to the existing Pembroke substation site. This project will be located along vacant Eskom servitude, situated between the existing Neptune, near East London, and Poseidon, near Cookhouse, substations in the Eastern Cape.*

*Last Notes:* Currently finalising the Scoping Report.

*Please can you inform me of the current status of these projects?*

*Furthermore, if possible please can you provide me with the contact details of the professional team involved with this project:*

*Project Manager:  
Electrical Engineer:*

*Any updated information on this project will be greatly appreciated.*

*Kindest regards*

*René Cathro  
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9 June 2009

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**E-MAIL: donovanh@nemai.co.za**

Dear Sir,

**RE: SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT RE NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400 kV POWER LINE**

I act in this matter on behalf of my client, Mr Howard Ballantyne, in his capacity as Managing Director of CH Ballantyne (Pty) Ltd, the registered owner of the farm known as Farm Hammonds No. 148 Division of Fort Beaufort measuring 1549,4664 hectares.

My client has handed to me a copy of your Background Information Document- Scoping Phase relating to the abovementioned power line and has instructed me to record the concern of CH Ballantyne (Pty) Ltd as an effected party to the aforesaid new line.

My client's concerns in regard to the process are the following:

1. The abovementioned farm property owned by my client is presently stocked with exotic game species and is exclusively utilized for international hunting purposes and the running of cattle to a limited extent. The value of the exotic game species and stock on the farm is estimated to be in the region of R5 000 000.00. It is clear that no hunting will be able to take place on the farm property for the duration of the construction process of your electricity line.
2. It is confirmed and feared that the access granted to a farm property to construction employees may compromise the security of my client's property. Incidents were breaches in security have occurred after construction on farm properties are commonly known.

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3. Safety

The hunting activities referred to above occur on my client's property for 10 months of the year. As a result, the lives of any construction workers on the property may be at risk during such hunting activities. The full extent and material utilized in the construction of the power line is not known, but it is expected that if such structures were to be erected along the present servitude in favour of Eskom over my client's property, dangerous situations may occur with the ricochet of bullets during hunting exercises.

4. Loss of income

The prudent action in the circumstances would be to cease all hunting activities on the farm during the construction period. It is not entirely clear from the documentation handed to my client what the duration of such construction would be, but it is expected that my client faces financial loss in such instance.

In the circumstances above, I place on record that my client's rights remain reserved to recover any losses suffered by it or its employees, guests, etc on the farm during and after the construction of the power line referred to from Eskom.

It would be appreciated if you could furnish me with full details of the proposed structure to be erected on my client's property with particular reference to the locality thereof, height thereof, materials utilized and layout specifications thereof. In this regard I have been instructed to place on record that it may assist to reduce the above risks if the line were to be erected on or along the southern boundary of my client's property.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this communication by return mail.

I await to hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

**T R MATHIE**

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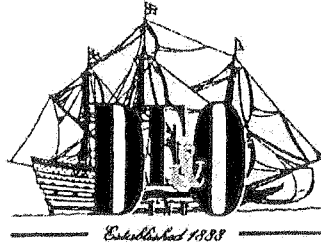
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Please quote our full reference in all correspondence

OUR REF: Mr R Jardine/Miriam/E.59  
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DATE: 16 July 2009

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Dear Sirs

**RE: NEPTUNE – POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE  
OUR CLIENT : MS JANET EGELHOF**

We act for Ms Janet Egelhof who is the registered owner of portion 11 of farm 600 ("the property"). Our client has handed us documentation relating to the proposed Neptune – Poseidon line. It is apparent that the proposed line will virtually bisect our client's farm. Our client's concerns are as follows :

1. The proposed line would pass very close to the dwellings and outbuildings. There is a probability that this would impact negatively on her environment;
2. The power line would severely restrict our client's ability to properly develop her farm; and
3. The line would lead to a diminution in the value of our client's property.

Our client has registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I & AP)' and would request that serious consideration be given to amending the proposed route of the line to ensure that it has less of an impact upon our client's property.

Yours faithfully

**MR RICHARD JARDINE  
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**From:** Miriam M. K [miriamk@drakefo.co.za]  
**Sent:** 27 January 2010 15:00  
**To:** Donovan Henning  
**Subject:** FW: NEPTUNE - POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE / OUR CLIENT : MS JANET EGELHOF

Dear Sirs

We refer to the above and to our e-mail dated the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2009 (below) and await to hear from regarding the Scoping Report.

Yours faithfully  
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**From:** Miriam M. K  
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Dear Sirs

**RE: NEPTUNE – POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE  
 OUR CLIENT : MS JANET EGELHOF**

We refer to the above matter and would be pleased if you would kindly advise whether there have been any further developments with the Scoping Report.

We look forward to hearing from you in this regard shortly.



Yours faithfully

**MR RICHARD JARDINE**  
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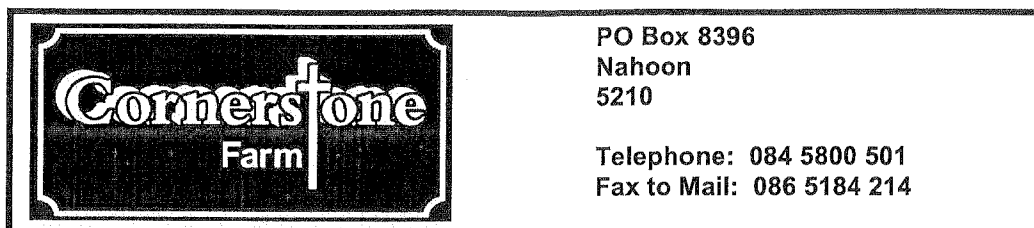
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As made clear at the meetings held in Bedford and Adelaide, the proposed power line will render my property useless for the purpose for which it is used: game farming. The reason for this is that two power lines will run through my property, i.e. the existing power line and the new one. The existing power line already makes one half of the property unsuitable for hunting and game farming, and the proposed (new) power line will make the other half of the property unsuitable for the purpose. This will obviously be extremely prejudicial to my established rights and will result in severe financial loss.



30 April 2009

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**Attention: Mr Donovan Henning**

Dear Sir,

**SUBJECT : NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE – REGISTRATION AS AN I&IP**

Your information letter dated April 2009; giving notification of the scoping and environmental impact assessment for the above proposed power line refers.

As requested, I have completed the attached reply form, but would also like to add a more detailed response by means of the input below. The locality plan attached to the letter is of such a scale that it is impossible to tell the extent of direct impact of the proposed power line to my farm. I have therefore had to make some assumptions when composing the input below.

I am the owner of Portion 2 of Farm 600 and am strongly opposed to the significantly large proposed power line passing over my farm for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed power line will have significantly detrimental impact on the surrounding environment from a health hazard (to people as well as animals), as well as visual impact.
- 2) My property, as well as a number of the surrounding properties are relatively small properties (ranging between 20 and 60 hectares), and a power line of this size will therefore have a far greater impact when compared to larger properties. With space already at a premium, it will mean that the useable land will be significantly diminished.
- 3) Of great concern is also the detrimental financial impact that the presence of the power line will have on the property. The presence of such a power line will make the property much less attractive and thereby greatly devalue the property.
- 4) I am in the process of building up a high value Nguni Cattle stud herd and have serious concerns as to how these cattle may be detrimentally affected from grazing in the vicinity of the power line. I have already made significant financial investments in terms of purchasing stud animals, and have a serious concern not only about the impact on the animals health, but also the financial implications due to possible negative effects on the animals by the proposed power line.

- 5) I run a civil engineering consulting office from my farm and am seriously concerned about the impact of the power line on my communications systems (cellular telephone and mobile internet connections) without which I will be unable to run my business.

Please would you provide me with a layout plan of such a scale that I will be able to determine the exact locality of the proposed power line in the vicinity of my farm.

I am not familiar with any of the venues listed for public meetings on your information letter and as far as I am aware of, none of them are in close proximity to my farm. It is strongly recommended that an information meeting be arranged with our local Thornpark Farmers and Smallholders Association in order to get representative feedback from the landowners in this area.

Please contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours faithfully



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A.M. BRODIE

Encl: 1. Reply Form



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18/05/2009

**Re: Neptune/Poseidon power line.**

Dear Mr. Henning,

Thank you for the map re: the proposed power line.

The servitude mentioned is confusing for various reasons. Firstly, there is an existing domestic line where the proposed line is indicated on the map, surely another line would not utilize the same route. Secondly, the servitude is mentioned as "vacant", and I would not interpret a route presently occupied by a domestic line to be "vacant". Could I be informed of the exact definition/wording of the servitude presently registered?

My previous correspondence illustrates the importance of the positioning of the proposed line as far as my land is concerned, as I own both 600/4 and 600/12, which is the subdivision I referred to when commenting as a I&AP. The present domestic line is visible, and acceptable, but the proposed line would have devastating consequences if positioned as indicated on the map.

The "red stripe" takes the longest possible route through my land, divides the property up the centre, and nowhere near the boundary, as is the case in the properties where it enters my land. The line is planned to bisect the property 600/4 and as a result the huge unsightly structure will be positioned in the centre of the view, which is a main feature, from the homestead. Further, the line also bisects the property 600/12 down the centre, very close to the site for the residence, and shall surely be a health risk, apart from ugly structure.

The socio-economic consideration is of the utmost importance, and the devaluation of our investment will be devastating as a direct consequence of the planned positioning.

If one considers all the factors comprising the Specialist Studies (4.2) ie Ecology, Heritage impact, Agri potential, Visual impact and Socio-economic, all these factors will score negative points.

Although I am prepared to co-operate with your EIA fully, I shall vigorously oppose the present route and would expect my rights to be observed as a land owner by any reasonable institution. The proposed positioning of the route is definitely not acceptable, and I am certain that any previous owner who may have agreed to a servitude in favour of Eskom would not have envisaged such a large structure. I am also of the opinion that the size/extent of the defined servitude would probably not accommodate the requirements of the line and will have to be amended.

I trust we shall meet to discuss the matter at a local venue in the very near future. The facility at Thorn Park Trading, where our meetings are held monthly, would be suitable.

Yours sincerely,  
Laird King.



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The accompanying map does not illustrate any route alternatives. I therefore assume that the proponent has applied for exemption from assessing alternatives. This information is not included in the Background Information Document, and it is therefore misleading. The fact that there is an existing servitude which was probably identified long before any environmental investigations, does not warrant the process to gain an exemption from investigating alternative routes. The existing servitude may well pass through environmentally sensitive areas. If this is the case then a land swap could be negotiated to avoid such sections.

In terms of specialist studies identified, the route illustrated passes through a Birdlife SA "Important Bird Area" near Bedford/ Adelaide. This is due to the high populations of Large winged Species in the area of which many are Red Data Species. Powerlines are known to have adverse impacts on bird

populations through electrocution, collision and insular pollution. It is therefore imperative that an avifauna impact assessment is undertaken for this project as an integral component of this EIA. We recommend that the EAP contact the Endangered Wildlife Trust (Mr Jon Smallie, 082 444 8919) in this regard to undertake such a study.

I fail to see what meaningful mitigation can be achieved through the specialist visual impact assessment if there are no alternative routes to assess. Powerlines are highly visual structures and they should be routed in areas where the visual absorption capacity is high. If there are no route alternatives, this becomes meaningless.

**Kindly acknowledge receipt of these comments.**

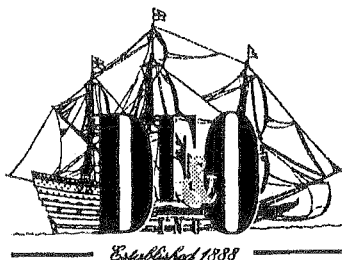


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Dear Sirs

**RE: NEPTUNE – POSEIDON 400 KV POWER LINE  
OUR CLIENT : MS JANET EGELHOF**

We act for Ms Janet Egelhof who is the registered owner of portion 11 of farm 600 ("the property"). Our client has handed us documentation relating to the proposed Neptune – Poseidon line. It is apparent that the proposed line will virtually bisect our client's farm. Our client's concerns are as follows :

1. The proposed line would pass very close to the dwellings and outbuildings. There is a probability that this would impact negatively on her environment;
2. The power line would severely restrict our client's ability to properly develop her farm; and
3. The line would lead to a diminution in the value of our client's property.

Our client has registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I & AP)' and would request that serious consideration be given to amending the proposed route of the line to ensure that it has less of an impact upon our client's property.

Yours faithfully

**MR RICHARD JARDINE  
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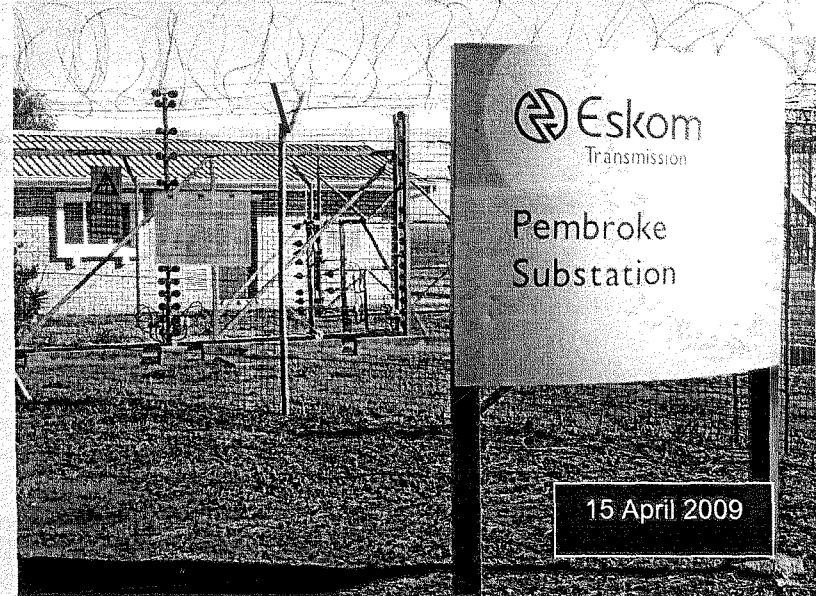
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Neptune Sub-station



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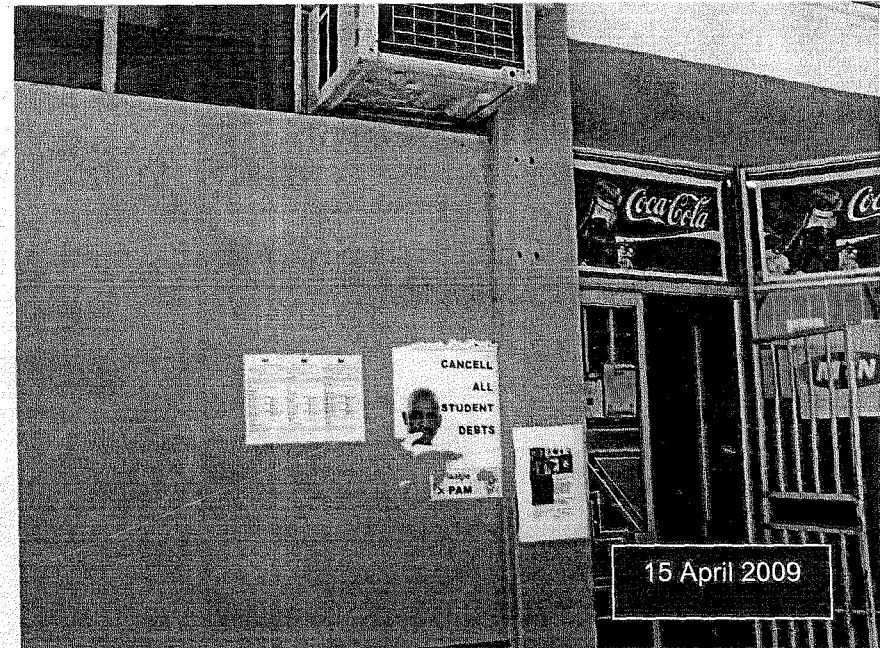
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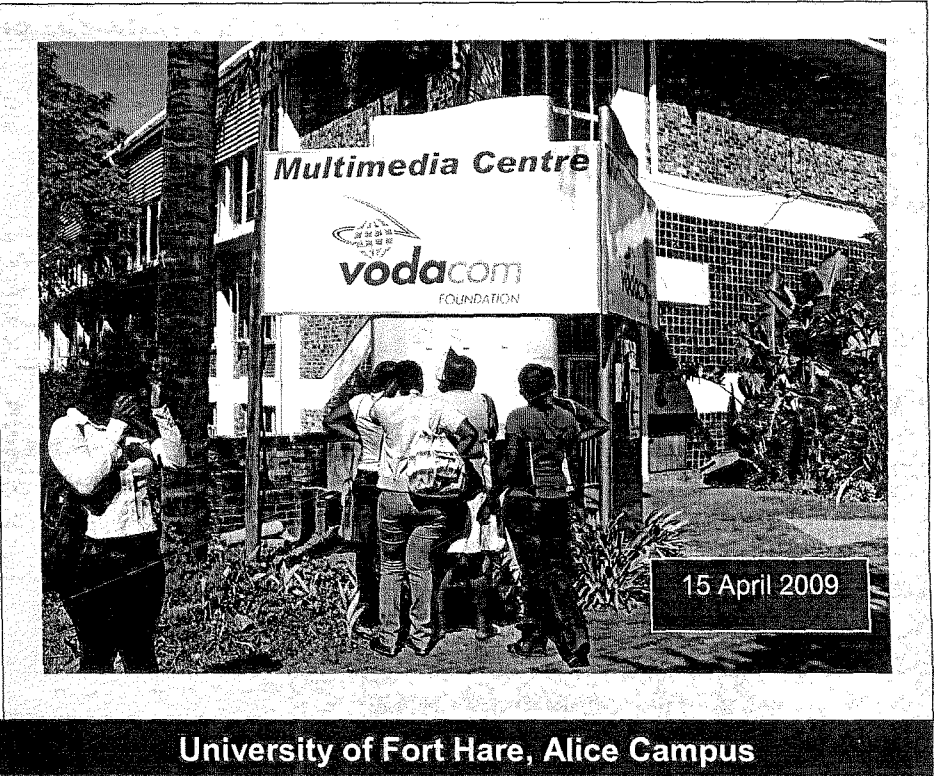
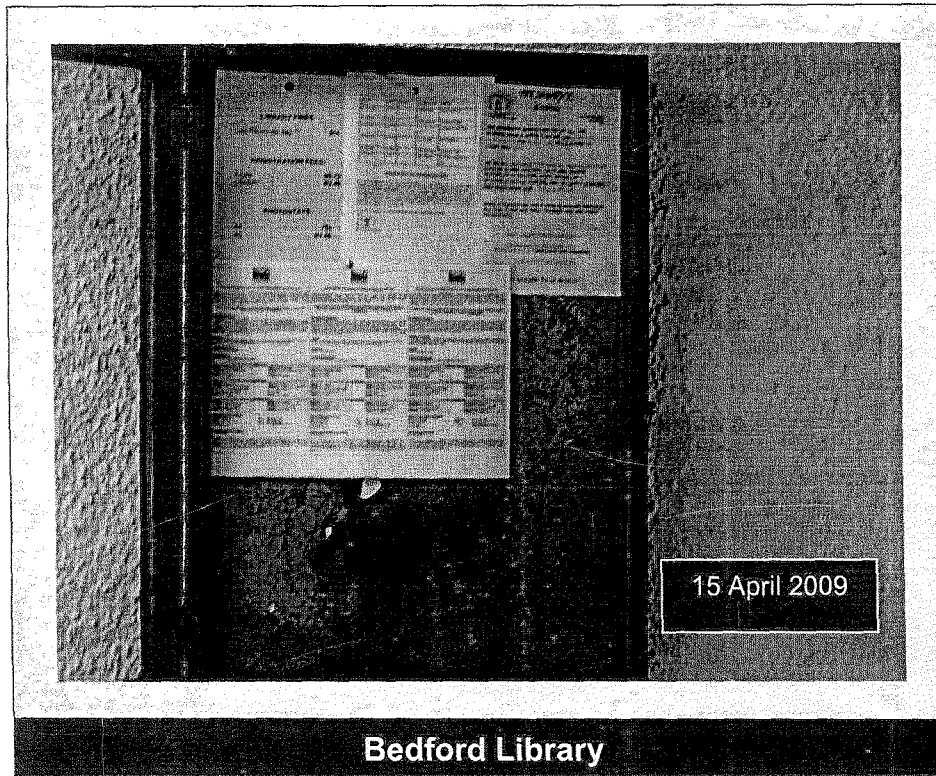


**Bisho Shopping Centre**

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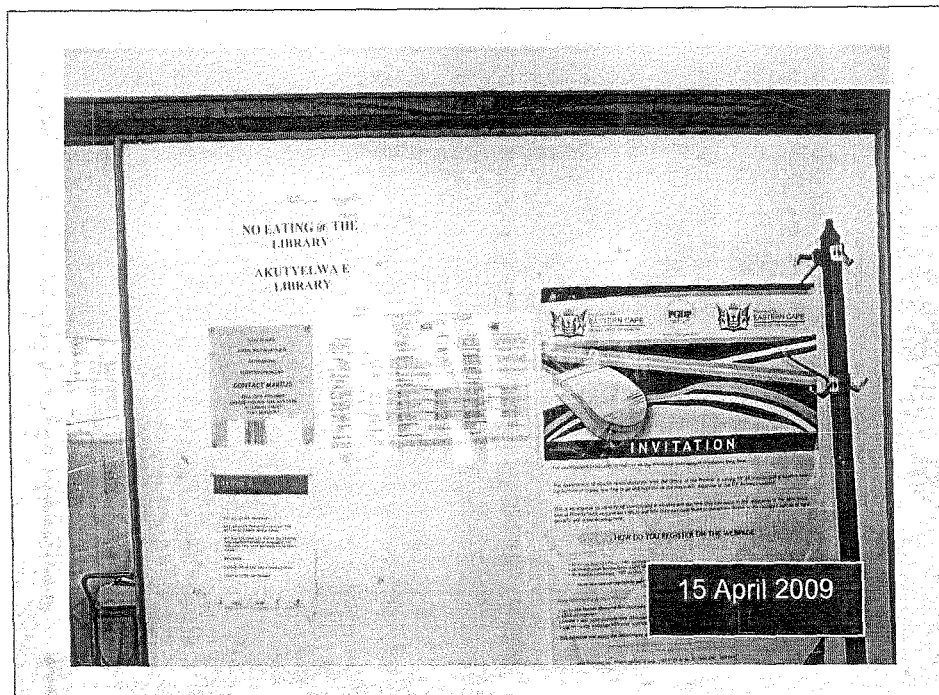




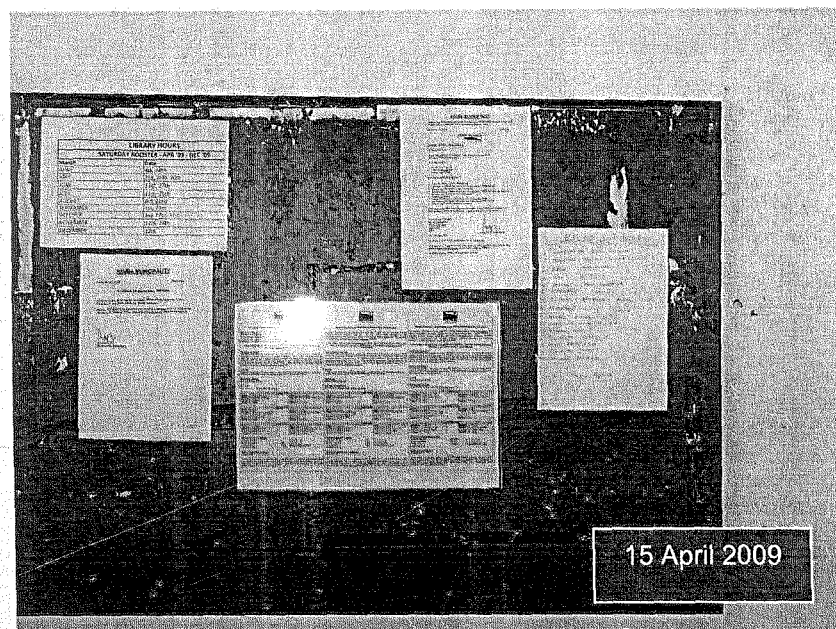
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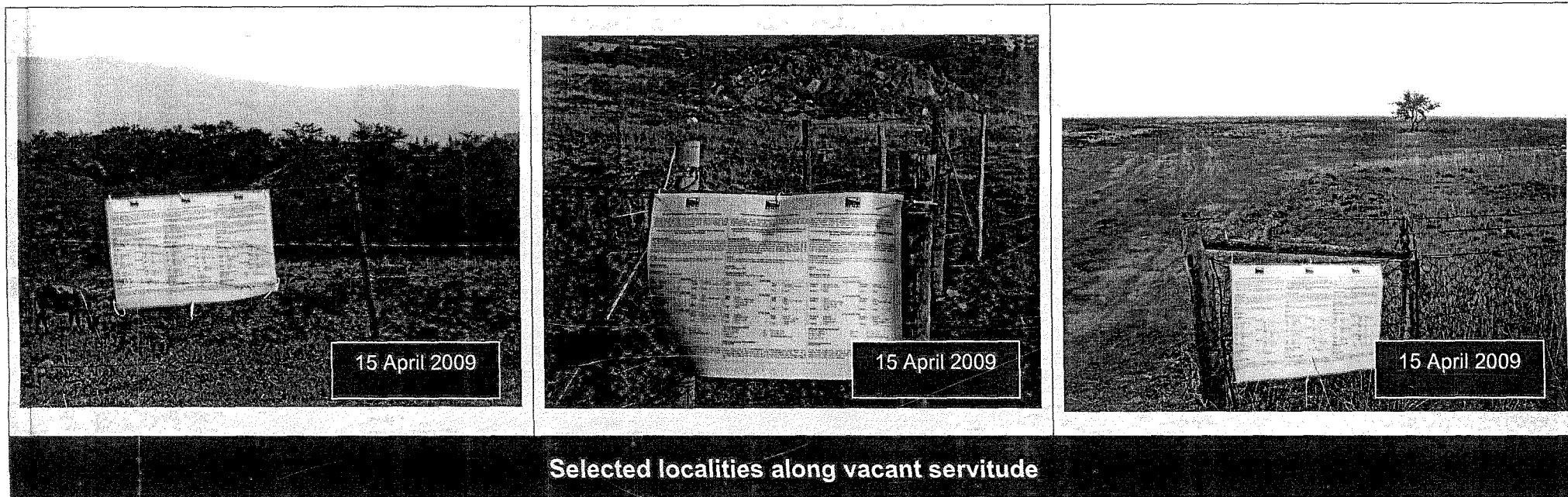


**Nxuba Municipal Offices**

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Selected localities along vacant servitude

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# APPENDIX G



NOTICE

**IEC probes incident of ballot papers found in Mpumalanga**

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IEC Chief Electoral Officer Pansy Trakula says the outcome of a special investigation on how about 700 ballot papers ended up outside the custody of the IEC in Mpumalanga, will be known by midday today.

A Nelspruit resident and his wife came across the ballot papers as they were driving towards

White River. Trakula says ballot papers must be escorted by the police. Trakula said: "I was on the phone with commissioner Andre Pruis when they dispatched a special team of investigators - to investigate a number of issues - firstly you know, ballot papers are supposed to be escorted by the police

"We have to look at the van (vehicle) that was used, whether it can open on its own. We also have to look at the road if it was bumpy. So at this point in time, we are waiting for the outcome of that investigation and we will know by today exactly what transpired".

**SA entrepreneurs pledge to invest in Zimbabwe**

South Africa's industry players have pledged their commitment to pump investment into Zimbabwe in an effort to stimulate the country's stalled economy.

A high-powered delegation of executives led by billionaire entrepreneur Patrice Motsepe met with the country's leadership including Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe and Finance Minister Tendai Biti.

Motsepe says the meeting was to obtain guarantees for business about the stability and consistency of the new government's policies. President Mugabe described the delegation's arrival as yet another sign of South Africa's confidence in the fragile administration comprising former rival factions.

Over the years, business in Zimbabwe has been subject to drastic policy changes that have adversely affected industry. But, there is a new order and it promises to be different. "I personally have no doubt that in the next few months or next few years, the private sector not only in South Africa but worldwide will realise that Zimbabwe is a good place for business," says Motsepe.

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**ISAZISO SOHLOLO LWEMPEMBELELO KWEZOKUSINGQONGILEYO (I-EIA)**

Esi sisaziso esikhutshwa ngokweMithetho yoHlolo lweMpembelelo kokusingqongileyo, ka-2006, nopapashwe kwizaziso zikaRhulumente ezingunombolo R386, u-R367 zowama-21 kuEpreli ka-2006 phantsi koMthetho woLawulo lokusingqongileyo woSizwe, ka-1998 (uMithetho ongunombolo 107, ka-1998) wenjongo kaEskom yokwenza lo msebenzi ulandelayo nofuna ugunyaziso lwezokusingqongileyo:

**ULWAKHIWO LWEZINTAMBO ZOKUHAMBISA UGESI ZE NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400KV**  
(INombolo yeSalathiso yeDEAT: 12/12/20/1439)

Isicelo serikqubo yokwenza uHlolo lweMpembelelo kokusingqongileyo (I-EIA) lwemisebenzi ecetywayo sele sifakiwe kwiSebe leSizwe leMincimbi yezokusingqongileyo noKhenketho, yaye inikezelwe nenombolo yokubhekisela eyile: 12/12/20/1439.

**Imisebenzi Ecetywayo**

Le projekthi izokwenza ulwakhiwo 400kV lwentambo ezintsha ezingu 191 km ubude phakathi isiteshi ekuthiwa yi Neptune kunye ne Poseidon. Indlela yentambo yenzeka kwi-servitide phakathi osole ikhona yeEskom kwi-servitide phakathi kwesiteshi. Esiteshi sizokwandiswa kwaye silungiswe ukulungiselela ezintambo zintsha. Intambo enlisha izokuxhumana kwenye ekuthiwa yePembroke kwesiteshi kwi 5km yentambo.

**Indawo Yeprojekthi**

Ukusukela kumhlaba weEskom kwi-servitide ongenanto malunga nendawo esole ikhona yeNeptune kufutshane ne Monti (East London) kunye nePoseidon kufutshane ne(Cookhouse) siteshi kumhlaba we Mpuma Koloni.

**Umcebi**

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<b>Ixesha:</b> 10h00	<b>Ixesha:</b> 16h00

**06 kuCanzibe 2009**

<b>Idolophu:</b> Debe Valley	<b>Idolophu:</b> Alice
<b>Indawo:</b> Ngqushwa Municipality Community Hall, ERF 313 Main Road	<b>Indawo:</b> Alice Town- Hall, Main Street
<b>Ixesha:</b> 10h00	<b>Ixesha:</b> 16h00

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<b>Ixesha:</b> 10h00	<b>Ixesha:</b> 16h00

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**Ushicilelo Lwentengiso**

15 April 2009

Ukuba ngaba unesikhalazo malunga ne projekthi nceda bhalela kulomntu okhuphe isaziso malunga neleprojekthi malunga namalanga angamashumi amathathu (30) sikutshiwe esi saziso. Ukuba ufuna ukuba lilungu nceda bhala igama lakho kunye nencucacha zakho uzilumele kulomntu obhalwe ngezantsi.

**Reporter accused of spying in Iran for US jailed for eight years**

An Iranian-American journalist accused in Iran of spying for the United States has been jailed for eight years, her lawyer said today, five days after she was put on trial.

An Iranian judiciary official, quoted by the ISNA news agency, confirmed the sentencing of Roxana Saberi, a US born freelance reporter who has worked for the BBC and National Public Radio (NPR).

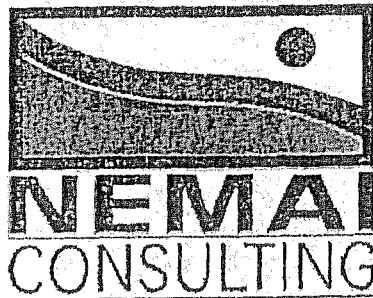
US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said she was very disappointed by the sentencing and would raise the case with Tehran. Saberi's jailing could become a source of US, Iranian tension at a time when Washington is trying to reach out to the Islamic Republic following three decades of mutual mistrust.

Washington cut ties with Iran shortly after the Islamic revolution in 1979 but US President Barack Obama has offered a new beginning of diplomatic engagement on a range of issues if Tehran "unclenches its fist."

Iran says it wants to see a real switch in Washington's policies away from those of former President George W. Bush, who led a drive to isolate the country because of nuclear work the West suspects has military aims, a charge Iran denies.

One Iranian analyst said Saberi's sentencing should not be seen as a sign of Iran rebuffing Washington's overture, but that she had been in the "wrong place at the wrong time." The sentence was likely to be commuted or reduced in a higher court, said the analyst, who declined to be named.





## KENNISGEWING

### OMGEWINGSIMPAKSTUDIEPROSES

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Regulasie 56 van Staatskennisgewingnr. R. 385 van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA, Wet Nr. 107 van 1998), soos gewysig en die Omgewingsimpakstudieregulasies (2006), van die voorneme om die beoogde aktiwiteit hierin beskryf uit te voer, naamlik

**KONSTRUKSIE VAN DIE VOORGESTELDE NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400KV KRAGLYN**  
(Nasionale Departement van Omgewingsake en Toerisme Verwysingsnommer: 12/12/20/1439)

#### Voorgestelde Aktiwiteite

Die projek behels die konstruksie van 'n nuwe 400kV-transmissiekraglyn van omtrent 191 km tussen die bestaande Neptune- en Poseidon-substasies. Die voorgestelde roete volg die bestaande Eskom-serwituut tussen die voorafgenoemde substasies. Die substasies sal ook uitgebrei en opgegradeer word om die nuwe kraglyn te akkommodeer. Twee aansluitlyne van omtrent 5 km elk sal ook gebou word om die beoogde Neptune-Poseidon-kraglyn met die bestaande Pembroke-substasie te verbind.

#### Ligging

Roete volg die leë Eskom-serwituut, wat geleë is tussen die bestaande Neptune- (naby Oos-Londen) en Poseidon- (naby Cookhouse) substasies, in die Oos-Kaap.

#### Aansoeker

Eskom Holdings Beperk.

#### Openbare Vergaderings

Die volgende openbare vergaderings is gereël:

#### 5 Mei 2009

Gebied:	Nqonqweni/Rini	Gebied:	Zweitsha
Plek:	Nqonqweni Primêre Skool	Plek:	OR Tambo-saal, Sone 1
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#### 6 Mei 2009

Gebied:	Peddie	Gebied:	Alice
Plek:	Ngqushwa-munisipaliteit, Gemeenskapsaal, Erf 313 Hoofweg	Plek:	Alice-stadsaal, Hoofstraat
Tyd:	10:00	Tyd:	16:00

#### 7 Mei 2009

Gebied:	Adelaide	Gebied:	Bedford
Plek:	Midgley's Hotel, Markplein	Plek:	Bedford-stadsaal, Donkinstraat
Tyd:	10:00	Tyd:	16:00

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Sy was 'n persoon. Ná haar die pers uitgesta word deel van 'n betreding.

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We: 10:30, 14:00

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# APPENDIX H

## COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT

## NEPTUNE-POSEIDON 400KV POWER LINE

### Comments and Response Report

The Comments and Response Report summarises the salient issues and queries raised, as well as statements made, by I&APs through correspondence received (including completed Reply Forms, letters, faxes and emails) and discussions at meetings during the **Scoping** phase. This report also attempts to address the comments through input from the project team.

The Scoping phase serves to identify and prioritise issues for further assessment during the EIA phase. Accordingly, the comments received from I&APs during public participation as part of Scoping will be afforded due consideration and further investigation during the pending EIA stage.

When reviewing the Comments and Response report, please take cognizance of the following:

- All the responses written in italics were included subsequent to meetings in order to address the comments in greater detail.
- This report does not necessarily provide verbatim comments from meetings, but rather reflects the essence of the discussions held with I&APs.

ISSUE	RESPONSE
<b>Source:</b> Focus Group Meetings (15 - 17 April 2009) [Note: Names of parties who raised concerns were not recorded]	
Many of the current landowners were not on the properties when the servitude was registered in 1972.	<i>The rights are registered against the property i.e forms part of the Title deed, so when they buy the farm the Seller must disclose the information to the Buyer. Eskom only pays for the rights once.</i>
What is the validity period of the registered servitude?	<i>The rights don't expire</i>
What was paid many years ago for servitude registration does not compensate for the long-term loss.	<i>The Socio-economic study will consider this matter further</i>
Farmers who make a living from ecotourism and hunting will be affected by the powerline.	<i>Specialist economic and socio-economic studies to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures.</i>
Safety of Eskom construction and maintenance staff will not be guaranteed during hunting and farmers will not take responsibility for any accidents / fatalities.	<i>Comment noted, the landowner will be informed before construction commences and maintenance staff need to access the property.</i>
Landowners questioned the need for the powerline. Enquired why an existing line could not be upgraded.	Motivation for project discussed in Section 1 of the Scoping Report. Briefly, the project is needed to improve reliability of the existing East London Transmission network; improve East London network voltage regulation; and create additional Transmission network capacity to supply the increasing electricity demand in the Southern Grid. The problems associated with the upgrading of an existing transmission line include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Larger pylons would be required as the existing towers would not be tall or strong enough to carry larger conductors carrying a higher voltage than what they were designed for; and</li> </ol>

ISSUE	RESPONSE
	2. The upgrade would require the shutting down of the existing line for a significant period of time to carry out the necessary works. Such a shut down would not be possible as all the existing lines are needed at any one time to meet current power needs of the greater PE area
Powerlines affect vegetation; hence, need to consider the old trees and protected species. In the past Eskom cleared all vegetation.	Specialist ecological study to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures.
Highlighted the importance of the Environmental Impact Assessment.	Noted
Municipalities would like to be kept informed on progress of the project.	Noted. Representatives from District and Local Municipalities included in I&AP database.
Local community members must receive preference for employment opportunities above outsiders.	Eskom contract with contractors to stipulate employment requirements.
Skills transfer to local communities must be undertaken.	<i>Eskom uses contractors to build the power line and they use their own staff. Unskilled labour may be sourced from local communities.</i>
There are many underdeveloped parts of the Eastern Cape and it is hoped that this powerline will contribute towards development.	With the strengthening of the East London Transmission network, further development will be facilitated.
Safety issues during construction were highlighted.	Suitable mitigation measures to safeguard landowners and tenants against criminal activities will be included in the EMP.
Rural people expressed concern that their cattle grazing areas would be affected	Cattle grazing will still be allowed below the transmission line.
When and how will Eskom help rural areas with electricity supply?	<i>Eskom Distribution has an Electrification program for electrifying the rural areas.</i>
Why do poor relationships (lack of communication and disagreements) exist between Eskom and some local municipalities?	<i>Matter to be taken up with Eskom Distribution</i>
How can Eskom provide assurance on the delivery of this power line?	<i>This project is part of Southern region strengthening and the line will be build if Authorisation is received from DEA.</i>
Why does Eskom's customer service department provide such poor service?	<i>Matter to be taken up with Eskom Distribution</i>
Why has Eskom stopped maintaining electricity in Alice?	<i>Eskom is still undertaking the maintenance in all the area where they supply electricity.</i>
Why is there a gap between the local electricity technicians and Eskom? Eskom wants them to maintain electricity structures, but then say that these people are not accredited.	<i>Matter to be taken up with Eskom Distribution</i>
When there is a power outage and the power returns, appliances are often damaged. Why does Eskom not take responsibility for these losses?	Recommended that people should switch plug points off during power cuts to avoid damages to appliances.

ISSUE	RAISED BY	RESPONSE
<b>Source: Nqonqweni Public Meeting (05 May 2009)</b>		
What will happen to houses that are situated underneath the line?	S Hlanganiso	M Mafumo (Eskom) (MM): If there is a need for relocation of houses, Eskom will pay for the costs for building a new, improved house.
How will the community benefit from this project?	P Balen	MM: Benefits are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More electricity will be supplied by Eskom for municipalities to supply areas such as Nqonqweni.</li> <li>• Labour (unskilled) will be sourced from local communities.</li> <li>• Electricity supply in the area will promote commercial activities.</li> </ul>
This line could contribute to less power outages and a more reliable electricity supply in this region of the Eastern Cape	D Miles	Noted
If the line is passing Nqonqweni, why have the residents been called to this meeting?	T Gqoji	D Henning (Nemai Consulting) (DH): Legislation (the National Environmental Management Act) states that the public and affected communities must be notified and informed of the proposed project.
Will this line be underground?	S Dyasi	DH: It will be an overhead cable. Excavations will be required for the foundations of the towers.
Will this community be relocated?	N Mfhile	DH: The vacant servitude is situated alongside Nqonqweni. If any affected people are inside the requisite 55m servitude, they will need to be relocated.
Have you been to other areas for public participation?	S Nono	DH: This is the first meeting of a series of meetings that will be held this week in areas along the line route.
Have Councillors and Traditional Leaders been notified?	S Nono	R Ajodhapersadh (Nemai Consulting) (RA): Yes, through the speaker's offices and traditional authorities.
As a member of the community, we unable to indicate whether we support or object to the project at this stage.	T Tosa	Noted
The Councillors should be present at the next meetings	Attendee	Noted
In the past people have done work in the area without notifying the community, and we are thus glad that you have come to inform us on the planned project.	N Gafeni	Noted

ISSUE	RAISED BY	RESPONSE
<b>Source: Alice Public Meeting (06 May 2009)</b>		
Requested clarity of whether this project will affect Alice or not?	A Kganedi	MM: No, this is a transmission project.
Who is responsible for erosion control for the lines? In this area people excavate and sometimes expose the tower foundations. How will such an issue be resolved?	A Kganedi	MM: During construction Eskom is responsible for erosion control. No sand mining is allowed in the servitude, however if such incidents occur Eskom will investigate.
Is there any provision made for repairing damage to property due to construction activities?	Unknown	MM: If proof is provided, the contractor will repair damages caused. DH: An Environmental Control Officer will be on site to monitor the contractor.
How have directly affected people been identified?	Unknown	DH: Along the vacant servitude a 1km corridor was used to identify affected parties. Thereafter a deed search was done and landowners were notified by registered mail.
What type of security will there be during construction and maintenance of the site?	A Kganedi	K van der Merwe (Eskom) (KvdM): Access to the servitude includes gates that that will be kept locked.
How many kilometres will the line be from Alice?	A Kganedi	MM: This will have to be verified.
From the focus group I got the impression that towns like Alice would benefit from this line. Please elaborate.	A Kganedi	KvdM: This project is aimed at strengthening the Southern electricity grid, which would make more electricity available for municipalities to purchase and make available to towns such as Alice. This would be a long-term benefit.
Some villages around these areas have not been electrified.	A Kganedi	MM: This is something that Eskom Distribution should respond to.
Unemployment in this area is high. Will any jobs be created during the construction phase?	A Kganedi	KvdM: According to Eskom standards a certain percentage of unskilled labour must come from local communities.
Are there any provisions for skills development for youth as part of this project?	Unknown	MM: This project does not have specific skills development components; however Eskom has a skills development programme.



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<b>Source: Ngqushwa Public Meeting (06 May 2009)</b>		
Where will this line run in relation to Peddie?	W Xhotyeni	DH illustrated the route using a map.
Will this line go through private land?	W Xhotyeni	KvdM: Explained the land acquisition process and negotiation of the servitude.
What type of land use will be allowed underneath the line?	W Xhotyeni	MM: Planting of crops, cattle grazing. Structures are not allowed underneath the line
What type of roads will be built?	W Xhotyeni	DH: Access roads will be built, and existing roads will be used as far as possible.
Will the public be able to use any of the access roads?	D Miles	MM: In certain public areas, roads can be used by the public.
What benefits will there be for local communities?	W Xhotyeni	MM: Benefits areas follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More electricity will be supplied by Eskom for municipalities to supply areas.</li> <li>• Labour (unskilled) will be sourced from local communities.</li> <li>• Electricity supply in the area will promote commercial activities.</li> </ul>
What about vibrations during construction?	W Xhotyeni	MM: The drilling that will occur is not intense and vibrations are unlikely. This type of drilling is unlikely to cause damages to properties, if however damage occurs proof must be provided of the incident and the contractor will have to take responsibility and rectify any damages caused.
When electricity returns after a power cut electrical appliances are damaged and no one takes responsibility for this.	W Xhotyeni	MM: Recommended that people should switch plug points off during power cuts to avoid such damage.
How do you register as an Interested and Affected Party?	W Xhotyeni	DH: You register with Nemai Consulting. Registration can occur via phone, fax, email or post or fill in a Reply Form. Please inform us if other Interested and Affected Parties should be informed.
Suggested that the EIA Consultants should work through the municipality to visit villages and to notify people on the project.	W Xhotyeni	Noted
Suggested that legible map should be printed on A2 and sent to all relevant Councillors by registered mail.	M Mcebensi	Noted

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<b>Source: Adelaide Public Meeting (07 May 2009)</b>		
Suggested Die Wittenberg news for advertising information on the project.	H Ballantyne	Noted
Suggested Algoa FM for radio advertisements.	R Hockley	Noted
If concerns are raised now at this meeting, is it still necessary to read the Scoping Report and then raise issues again?	H Ballantyne	DH: There is no need to wait until the Scoping Report is out for public review. A Reply Form can be filled it and sent to Nemaï Consulting. These forms are then attached as an Appendix to the Scoping Report, and the issues are addressed in the document and in the subsequent EIA phase.
I am the owner of the Farm Roxlyn. I recall registration of a servitude on my property by Eskom in the early 90's. At that time Eskom planned to put a tower in the middle of my citrus plantation, to which I objected.	J du Preez	KvdM: I will check Eskom records. In addition, if it is necessary for the Eskom negotiator to go back and re-negotiate with JdP, then it will be done. N Naidoo (Nemaï Consulting) (NN): This is a site specific query and through the negotiator it will be looked into.
I have a property near Adelaide. I already have one power line running through my farm and currently this new lines is in the middle of my hunting area. I am currently living with the 'eye sore' of the one line and this new line will have the following major impacts: 1. I would lose income derived from hunting; 2. It will have a negative socio-economic impact on my farm workers; and 3. The safety of Eskom staff in the hunting area is of concern as their safety cannot be guaranteed whilst hunting occurs.	F Greef	NN: Eskom will have to prepare a formal response to these issues.
While Eskom staff were servicing a line on my property, they stole my dog. A farm worker had seen the incident and eventually the dog was brought back to me. Mr Carlos from the Eskom Depot is aware of this incident.	J du Preez	NN: The stealing of the dog is a criminal offence and unacceptable. Eskom Distribution will investigate this incident. Safety is an issue that will addressed through the Scoping Report.
Why can't the existing line (Pembroke-Poseidon) be upgraded instead of putting in another line?	R Hockley	MM: It is technically not possible to upgrade the existing line because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The same foundations cannot be used twice; and</li> <li>• The exiting line cannot be shut-off because of the electricity it supplies.</li> </ul>
I have two properties that will be affected by this line. How long will construction take and when is it planned to occur?	H Ballantyne	KvdM: It will be a while before construction will start, and no exact timeframes have been confirmed. However, when construction starts staff will be on and off the properties for site clearing, digging and stringing. This can take up to two years for the entire line.
If that is the case, what should we do in the two years it will take to construct the line? How should we deal with the loss of income? In other countries notices are given one to two years in advance before construction occurs. It is a question of public liability. A business is not something that can be put on hold and then start again where you left off after one or two years. In addition, hunting is booked in	F. Greef	NN: A formal response will be given by Eskom's legal and environmental department.

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advance and I cannot turn tourists away.		
If a conductor of electricity falls and causes damage to property as a result of a storm, lightening or fire will Eskom pay for the damages? This happened to my neighbour, Mr J Venter.	R Hockley	KvdM: If proven, then Eskom has insurance to cover the losses incurred.
My two properties are Hammonds 148 and Kingsdale (which is made up of Elandsfontein 133 and Mantjiefontein 135) that will have this line on it. I am concerned that a staff house is currently located close to the servitude.	H Ballantyne	MM: No structures are allowed in the 55m wide servitude. DH: In addition, there is a risk to people being close to the electromagnetic field inside the 55m area.
Queried the timeframe for construction and what activities will occur?	H Ballantyne	MM: The construction programme cannot be quantified at this early stage of planning, however it will be clearer later on and this information will be provided to landowners.
I belong to the Adelaide Farmers Association, of which the chairperson is Mr Allan Ballentyne (046 684 1095 / 083 292 1795). The chairperson of the Fort Beaufort Farmers Association is Mr Peter Van Guller. The Irrigation Board is based in East London and is called the Kat River Citrus Co-operation. Mr J du Preez is a member of both these associations and can provide contact details. Mr Norman Emsley is the occupier of the Farm Commandofonteyn. These people should be included in the Interested and Affected Parties database.	H Ballantyne	Noted
Is there any appeal process for this project?	H Ballantyne	DH: Yes. Once the authorities (i.e. the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism) have issued their decision, all Interested and Affected Parties will be formally notified. The notification will explain the appeal process (including timeframes and contact details).
My property boundary is marked by the river (shown on map). This line will go through my farm. Will check servitude registration papers with his lawyer.	J du Preez	Noted
My properties are Mount Prospect and Cottesbrooke. Other owners include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waterval 140 – Mr DC Louw, 046 684 0700</li> <li>• Farm next to Roxlyn – Mr Rudy van der Meulen</li> <li>• Farm Klu Klu – Mr Andre Dainklotz</li> <li>• The Bathe 145 – Mr Brian Mildenhof</li> <li>• Farm next to The Bathe 145 – Mr Barry Mildenhof.</li> </ul>	R Hockley	Noted

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<b>Source: Buffalo City Municipality Meeting (10 June 2009)</b>		
How will the public benefit from the project?	Clr C Morolong	DH: Benefits are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More electricity will be supplied by Eskom for municipalities.</li> <li>• Labour (unskilled) will be sourced from local communities.</li> </ul>
When will the project be implemented?	Clr N Gedze	DH: It will be a while before construction will start, if environmental authorisation is granted. No exact timeframes have been confirmed
What additional meetings will be held?	Clr C Morolong	DH: Referred to presentation, which indicated the remaining tasks of the Scoping and the subsequent EIA phases.
How will problems with farmers regarding loss of income from hunting and visual impacts be resolved?	Clr N Gedze	DH: Visual Impact Assessment and Socio-economic Study to be undertaken as part of EIA phase, and Environmental Management Plan to be prepared to mitigate impacts.
Will only unskilled labour be sourced from local communities?	Clr N Gedze	DH: Contractors normally already have skilled labourers on team. If need arises, skilled labour could also be sourced from local communities.

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<b>Source: Thorn Park Public Meeting (10 June 2009)</b>		
Enquired why existing line could not be upgraded. Also noted the loss of property value, particularly for smaller farms and the visual impact associated with the proposed power line.	L King	DH: As process is still in the Scoping stage, key issues are still being identified. These matters will be addressed in the Comments and Response Report and during the EIA phase through specialist studies such as a socio-economic study.
Also enquired about upgrading of existing line, and alternatives considered.	M Mangold (Agri Eastern Cape)	KvdM: Noted that there is also another 765 kV line from Beaufort West to Grassridge. Explained that Eskom's preferred option was to utilise the existing vacant servitude, which had already been registered. Also indicated that upgrading the existing line was not preferred. DH: Explanation on upgrading of existing line to be included in Scoping Report.
Suggested that visual impact be mitigated by considering the alignment within the kloof rather than on high points.	M Mangold	Noted
Noted that Agri Eastern Cape should be kept informed, and that this organisation could assist in identification of farmers along route.	M Mangold	Noted
Indicated that the area was favoured for peri-urban development, which needed to be taken into consideration in terms of the project's consequences.	M Mangold	DH: Municipal Spatial Development Framework to be considered.
Asked whether the vacant servitude had not been intended for a low voltage power line.	D Mildenhall	KvdM: Existing servitude is 27.5m on either side of centre line. Specific route of intended line is undefined when servitude is registered.
Noted that he had requested the definition of the existing servitude from the Deeds Office, and it was indicated that the route is not exact and that it included an area of 27m on either side of the centre line. Indicated that there is currently a domestic line in the servitude, and the fear was that the domestic line and the 400kV line would now be built alongside each other, which would compound the associated impacts. Expropriation would be necessary if the 400kV line is to be built due to the presence of the domestic line.	L King	
History of expropriation by Eskom in area. In instances, lines are also built without compensation. If there is an existing domestic line in the Neptune-Poseidon servitude, Eskom will need to initiate new compensation negotiations for a second use of the existing servitude.	M Mangold.	KvdM: Eskom registered servitude and paid compensation for use thereof. Additional compensation will be paid where the servitude needs to be widened.
When servitude was registered in 1972, the landowners would not have been able to envisage the impact on their properties if the extent of the infrastructure had not been explained.	L King	KvdM: Noted that there was also no obligation for public participation.
In 1972, when there was no electricity on the farms, the landowners would have hoped to obtain power from the new line for which the servitude had been registered.	M Mangold	KvdM: Noted that is not possible to draw electricity from a 400kV power line. Explained functions of Eskom Transmissions vs. Distribution.

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Compensation paid in 1972 would have been inadequate.	M Mangold	KvdM: Proposed Neptune-Poseidon line can be challenged through the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).
Requested clarification of what land use would be permitted below the power lines, e.g. cattle grazing.	DH	KvdM: Indicated that high trees and structures are not allowed under the power lines. Agricultural practices are permitted. DH: Noted that 55m wide servitude was set as a safe distance to mitigate against electromagnetic field. Studies undertaken on electromagnetic fields from large power lines needed to be included as an appendix in the Scoping Report. KvdM: Noted that livestock are affected when they drink from water troughs, depending on the proximity to the power lines.
Noted danger from large power line.	L King	Noted
Enquired about the interference from the power line to cell phone signals.	A Brodie	V Robinson: From a telecommunications background, studies found that power lines do not influence signals. KvdM: Indicated that Cell C have used Eskom towers without problems. DH: Will need to discuss further in the Scoping Report.
Asked whether comments submitted to Nema Consulting would be addressed.	A. Brodie	DH: All formal correspondence submitted to Nema Consulting will be included in the Scoping Report and will be addressed by the project team.
Landowners' access roads used without maintenance. Damage caused not repaired and erosion-preventative measures not undertaken.	M Mangold	DH: Environmental Management Plan (EMP) prepared as part of EIA focusses on construction and operational issues. Mitigation measures and best practices for road maintenance will be included. Problems raised linked to Eskom Distribution. KvdM: Independent Environmental Control Officer (ECO) appointed to ensure the Contractor complies with EMP.
Stated that the access roads for maintenance need to be specified during the EIA.	M Mangold	KvdM: Permission form needs to be signed by landowner prior to construction. ECO will also discuss access roads to each pylon with landowners before construction commences.
Indicated that access to servitude on his property will need to be gained via neighbour, due to the steep gradient of his access road.	L King	DH: Noted. Also indicated that during EIA phase, each directly affected landowner will be visited to identify specific issues.

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Asked whether it would be possible to influence to proposed project via the EIA.	S Spence	DH: Explained the opportunity that existed to influence a project via the EIA by providing an example of another EIA pertaining to power generation and transmission in Lephalale. Also noted that the alignment of Neptune-Poseidon could be influenced, regardless of existing servitude, if environmental sensitivities are identified.
Asked about the noise from the proposed line, particularly when there is moisture in the air, and the possible mitigation thereof.	S Spence	DH: Noise impact, including cumulative impacts, needs to be considered as part of EIA phase.
Previous damage to fence caused by Eskom not repaired.	S Spence	KvdM: Work undertaken on domestic lines, hence associated with Eskom Distribution.
Also highlighted problems experienced with Eskom contractors, and her reluctance to allow Eskom access to her property.	V Robinson	DH: Suggested that representatives from Eskom Distribution attend public meetings during the EIA phase to address issues.
Noted noise problems from lines.	V Robinson	DH: Noise levels need to be measured by Eskom to determine nuisance levels. Legal noise standards need to be stipulated in the EMP.
Enquired what could be done if they remained dissatisfied with the proposed power line.	S Spence	DH: Explained that an appeal could be lodged once a decision was made following the EIA.
Asked about possibility to build new substation.	L King	DH: Noted. To be considered.
Asked why a public meeting was not held for another power line (Eros-Neptune) that is traversing her property.	V Robinson	KvdM: Eskom project manager to be identified to ask about that particular EIA.
Enquired about the design of different pylons from an environmental perspective.	M Mangold	DH: Alternatives for pylon design to be included in Scoping Report. KvdM: Less steel required in new design, and less obtrusive.
Asked how many more lines will be built in the area.	Attendee	KvdM: Eros-Neptune and Neptune-Poseidon earmarked for the area. DH: Eskom's forward planning to be included in Scoping Report.
Enquired why route was not taken through Ciskei.	D Mildenhall	DH: To be confirmed.
Noted visual, economic and possible health impacts associated with an existing power line.	L King	DH: Specialist studies to be undertaken for visual and socio-economic impacts during EIA phase. Previous studies of health risks associated with power lines to be included in Scoping Report.
Asked if copy of minutes could be provided to Mr. G. Thompson, as the chairman of the Thorn Park Farmers Association.	M Mangold	DH: Minutes to be included in Scoping Report and to be provided to Mr. Thompson.

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<b>Source:</b> Nkonkobe Municipality Meeting (11 June 2009)		
How will public participation be undertaken in the rural areas?	Clr B Quma	DH: Public meetings held in rural areas and meetings to be convened with Tribal Leaders.
What about compensation of affected parties?	Clr B Quma	DH: Compensation will be undertaken in the following instances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Widening of servitude;</li> <li>• Damages caused by contractor;</li> <li>• Moving of structures.</li> </ul> Socio-economic study to determine compensation for loss of agricultural land, visual impact, loss of property value and loss of income.
How will the community benefit?	Clr R Kganedi	DH: Benefits are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Labour (unskilled) will be sourced from local communities.</li> <li>• More electricity will be supplied by Eskom for municipalities.</li> </ul>
Noted that access needed to be controlled to prevent loss of livestock during construction.	Clr R Kganedi	Noted
Thanked project team for efforts in consulting with the public.	Clr R Kganedi	Noted
Indicated that a community member's cattle had been electrocuted when an Eskom line had been damaged, and that this person had not been compensated.	Clr B Quma	DH: A response is required from Eskom.



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<b>Source: Traditional Leaders Meeting, Mnggesha Great Place, Ubukhosi Village (02 July 2009)</b>		
What areas that fall under the traditional leaders ownership will be affected by the proposed development.	Chief NA Kama; Chief Toise; Chief D.D. Makinana; Representative of Chief Jali, Mr. B. Sebe; representatives of Chief Siwani, Ms. N.C. Mfiki and Mr. Batshu	R le Roux (Nemai Consulting) (RIR): It was suggested that the traditional leaders provide information on the areas that fall under their leadership and this information is then mapped to identify which traditional areas will be affected.
Enquired about the fact that they have been informed at this late stage of the proposed development as the public participation process started a few months ago and indicated that there is not enough time to inform all the people living in the traditional areas of the proposed development.	Chief NA Kama	RIR: It was indicated that there was a difficult process to identify and contact the traditional leaders in the area and once these details were made available a special meeting was organised for the project team to meet with the traditional leaders.

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<b>Source: Reply Forms received during Public Participation Process (15 April – 29 July 2009)</b>		
Requested to register as an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP).	S Malan – Adelaide.	I&AP registered
Requested to register as an I&AP Indicated that Bedford, Adelaide and Ford Beauford are their area of concern. Eskom needs to apply for wayleaves to Telkom.	Sithol J. (Telkom SA LTD, Telkom Wayleaves Section – Sydenham)	I&AP registered. Wayleaves to be sought.
Requested to register as an I&AP. Indicated that Alice, King Williams Town, Bisho and East London are their areas of concern. Eskom needs to apply for wayleaves to Telkom.	Couzen P.H. (Telkom SA LTD, Telkom Wayleaves Section – East London)	I&AP registered. Wayleaves to be sought.
Requested to register as an I&AP Requested to be kept informed.	I van Niekerk - Bedford	I&AP registered.
Requested to register as an I&AP. The proposed route will cross the N2 and Eskom should ensure that the South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL) prior consideration and approval is acquired. Eskom to provide SANRAL with details of the crossing points before they are finalised. Parts of the N2 will still require future upgrading work and the planned crossings will have to accommodate these needs. Indicate that no tower pole or stay shall be erected within a distance of 60m, measured from the national road reserve boundary. Allow for a vertical clearance of not less than 7.5m, measured from the crown of the national road to the lowest wire. Eskom to bear the cost of any potential shifts or relocation required as a result of widening of the road and road construction work and maintenance. Eskom needs to maintained towers, poles and overhead wires at its own cost and provide the necessary precautions to ensure safety. Eskom indemnify SANRAL against, and hold it harmless from any claims and damages as a result of the proposed development. No permanent entrance or exit from the national road shall be permitted. SANRAL shall not be responsible or liable for any financial expenditure or loss in the event that SANRAL ordering the removal, shifting or relocation of anything related to this permission.	N Gouws (SANRAL)	I&AP registered.  <i>SANRAL will be contacted during negotiations for the line for Statutory approvals</i>
Requested to register as an I&AP. The proposed line will virtually bisect Ms Janet Egelhof farm (i.e. portion 11 of farm 600). The concerns are as follows: 1. The proposed line would pass very close to the dwellings and outbuildings. There is a probability that this would impact negatively on the owner's environment; 2. The power line would severely restrict the owner's ability to properly develop her farm; and 3. The line would lead to a diminution in the value of the property. Requested that serious consideration be given to	R Jardine from Drake Flemmer & Orsmond (E.L.) INC. Attorney acting on behalf of J Egelhof	I&AP registered. Specialist economic and socio-economic studies to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures. Deviation to line to be considered if sensitive environmental features are identified, and mitigation measures fail to reduce significance of identified

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amending the proposed route of the line to ensure that it has less of an impact upon this property.		impacts.
Requested to register as an I&AP and to be kept informed and copies of the Scoping Report and specialist studies, in particular the Ecological Study, Heritage Impact Assessment and Visual Impact Assessment to be forwarded to her.	B Geach (Eastern Cape Parks Board)	I&AP registered. Copies of reports to be submitted to Eastern Cape Parks Board.
Indicated that he wants to develop a wind farm.	A.G. Knott - Bedford	Noted
His requirements are: no pilons to be located on his property or within sight of his property. He indicated that he has a letter from Eskom stating that indigenous trees will not be cut down and if they will, a lawsuit will follow. A copy of this letter was also provided.	A Levey – East London	Map indicating the servitude in the Thorn Park area was forwarded.
Mechanical fitter for substations - interested in work opportunity for the proposed project. References provided.	M.H. Engelani – East London	<i>Eskom tendering process to be followed.</i>
Requested to register as an I&AP and that a copy of the EIA to be forwarded to the I.E.M.P. Unit.	S Fergus (Buffalo City Municipality, East London)	I&AP registered. Copies of reports to be submitted to Buffalo City Municipality.
Requested to register as an I&AP. Indicated that additional information is requested before he could comment.	B Steytler (Arcus Gibb)	I&AP registered. Enquired about additional information requirements.
Indicated that he supports the proposed project.	T Mazilazila (Eastern Cape Roads and Transport – Mthatha)	Noted
Requested to register as an I&AP.	C Collins – East London.	I&AP registered.
Indicated that she supports the proposed project.	T Mayekiso	Noted
Requested to register as an I&AP.	A Mfenyana (Department of Economic Development and Environmental Affairs – Bisho)	I&AP registered.
Requested to register as an I&AP.	L Strugnell (EWT Wildlife Energy Interaction Group - WEIG)	I&AP registered.
Requested to register as an I&AP and requested a map indicating the servitude. Indicated that the servitude goes through his farm.	N Agnew (Water Sisulu University, Buffalo City)	I&AP registered. Map provided.
Concern over the negative financial impact of the proposed powerline on his property which provides hunting facilities.	F.W. Greeff – Fort Beauford	Specialist economic and socio-economic studies to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures.
Provided copy of Eskom Servitude deed, and drew attention to the stipulations with regard to Mr du Preez's orchard and dam.	Du Preez, Potgieter and Trichardt Attorneys acting on behalf of J.B. du Preez	Noted. Specific mitigation measures for orchard and dam to be considered during EIA phase and in EMP.
Enquired whether the proposed power line will go through her property.	T Blewett – East London.	Confirmed that corridor traverses the northern section of this property.
Requested to register their organisation which represents six farmers associations in the BCM district as an I&AP. Also requested a detailed proposed route	M Mangold (Buffalo City Agricultural Action Forum)	I&AP registered. Detailed route maps contained in Scoping

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map to identify properties that will be affected.		Report.
Requested to register as an I&AP.	G Thompson (Thorn Park Farmers Association, East London)	I&AP registered.
Requested to register as an I&AP.	C Peters (Thorn Park Farmers Association, East London)	I&AP registered.
<p>Indicated that the proposed power line will negatively impact the environment, the people and will have a negative visual impact.</p> <p>Another concern was the fact that the size of the powerline will have a great impact on his small property and the useable land will be significantly diminished.</p> <p>A concern was the detrimental financial impact of the proposed power line.</p> <p>Another concern was the negative health, safety and financial impacts on the high value Nguni Cattle stud herd that he is planning.</p> <p>A concern was the impact of the proposed power line on the communication systems as he runs a civil engineering consulting office from his farm.</p>	A Brodie - East London.	<p>Specialist studies to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess mentioned impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures include <i>inter alia</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic;</li> <li>• Socio-economic;</li> <li>• Visual; and</li> <li>• Ecological.</li> </ul> <p>Cattle grazing will still be allowed below transmission line.</p> <p>Impact to health of cattle and to communication system to be assessed during EIA phase.</p>
<p>Indicated that the proposed project has not been investigated and discussed with the affected land owners.</p> <p>Secondly, a meeting needs to be organised between Thorn Park Farmers, the Small Holders Association and the project team.</p> <p>Concern over negative financial, human and animal impacts as well as visual impact.</p> <p>Indicated that his neighbours were not aware of the proposed project and requested that they should also be informed.</p> <p>Concluded that he is opposing the project and Eskom should purchase his property if this project will be approved.</p>	G Laird King (Thorn Park Farmers Association, East London)	<p>Public meeting held with landowners in the Thorn Park area on 10 June 2009 to allow for project-related discussions.</p> <p>Specialist studies to be conducted during the EIA phase to assess mentioned impacts and recommend suitable mitigation measures include <i>inter alia</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic;</li> <li>• Socio-economic;</li> <li>• Visual; and</li> <li>• Ecological.</li> </ul> <p>Impact to health of livestock and humans to be assessed during EIA phase.</p>
<p>Requested to register as an I&amp;AP.</p> <p>Concern for sensitive water environments. River crossings, wetlands etc.</p>	A Lucas, DWAF	I&AP registered. Status quo of watercourses discussed in Scoping Report. Impacts and mitigations measures to be considered in detail during the EIA phase.
<p>The map does not illustrate any route alternatives and it was assumed that an exemption from assessing alternatives has been applied for. However, this</p>	B Steytler	<p><i>Three additional alternatives will be incorporated into the</i></p>

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<p>information is not included in the BID and is therefore misleading.</p> <p>The proposed route passes through a Birdlife SA "Important Bird Area" near Bedford/ Adelaide containing high populations of large winged species in the area of which many are Red Data Species. Powerline installation can cause adverse impacts on bird populations through electrocution, collision and insular pollution. It is very important that an avifauna study is conducted. It was recommended that the EAP contact the Endangered Wildlife Trust (Mr Jon Smallie, 082 444 8919) to undertake such a study.</p> <p>Indicated that the visual impact assessment study is meaningless if there are no alternative routes to assess. Also indicated that powerlines are highly visual structures and should be located in areas where the visual impact is low.</p>		<p><i>extended scoping process (one on the western section and two on the eastern section of the route)</i></p> <p><i>IBAs identified. Ecological Study, which is to be performed as part of EIA phase, will also consider avifauna.</i></p> <p><i>Visual Impact Assessment to consider preferred (vacant servitude) and alternative alignments (alongside Pembroke-Poseidon 220 kV).</i></p>

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<b>Source: Thorn Park Public Meeting (08 February 2010)</b>		
Enquired whether the alternative alignments have existing servitudes?	L. King	MM noted that the alternatives routes do not have existing servitudes. DH noted that the alternatives were deemed feasible by the surveyors. Noted that some of these alternatives are alongside existing lines.
Indicated that the existing vacant servitude was registered between 1985 – 1992, and extends 55m. Were the landowners at the time adequately informed on how they were to be impacted? Noted the previous contractors who built the existing line on his property abandoned the farm without proper reinstatement. Noted erosion on river crossings and roads.	L. King	KvdM stated that an ECO will be appointed who will have to ensure that the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) is adhered to. The ECO will also liaise with the landowners regarding any queries. Noted that at the end of the construction phase the ECO and the landowner must to sign an agreement that they are satisfied with the reinstatement. Stated that continued maintenance during the operational phase will be done by Eskom.  MM noted an environmental baseline audit will be done prior to construction, and thereafter audits will be conducted during construction as well as after construction.
Requested a map of his farm indicating all the existing services.	T. Danckwets (TD)	DH noted
Asked which section of the proposed line had not yet been registered for a 55m wide servitude.	D.P. Mildenhall (DM)	DH indicated that they will prepare a map indicating the servitude widths of the proposed line.
Noted according to him the original route (within the existing vacant Eskom servitude) is the only feasible alternative route.	D.P. Mildenhall (DM)	KvdM indicated that should the EIA study show an alternative route is preferred then it must be followed.
How close can a new servitude be to the existing servitude?	T. Danckwets (TD)	KvdM stated that the distance to the centre of each servitude needed to be 55m.
Noted that Eskom does not have a good reputation in the area and that they appoint inexperienced contractors who are not capable of doing the work.	T. Danckwets (TD)	Noted
Asked what Eskom's future plans are for instance in 40 years time. Asked whether Eskom cannot rather buy out all the farms on the route and establish a corridor.	T. Danckwets (TD)	MM noted that she will take the forward planning issue up internally at Eskom and report back on the 5, 10 and 20 year planning for the area.
Asked whether the line can deviate for instance to avoid houses or sensitive areas?	R. Jardine (RJ)	DH noted that for the purpose of the EIA a 1 000m wide corridor is under investigation to allow for such deviations.  KvdM noted that should a landowner wish to move the line on his farm it could be possible but that no further compensation would be paid. Also noted that the bending of the line is a problem due to associated cost implications.
Noted that his house and dairy are in close	T. Danckwets	To be investigated further

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proximity to the proposed line. Requested whether the line could be moved to the south on his farm.	(TD)	
Would prefer that Eskom buy out his whole farm due to the visual impact and loss of property value due to the proposed power line.	L. King	Noted
Requested that the visual specialist visit L. King and A. Geddie. Noted their properties fall on Portions 4, 11 and 12 of Farm 600.	R. Jardine (RJ)	Noted
Requested that 4, 11 and 12 of Farm 600 be bought out since the line will cross directly through them.	L. King	KvdM stated that he is not sure whether Eskom would buy out the farms in their entirety, since they already have a registered servitude on them.
Ask how the contractors are planning to access Portion 4 of Farm 600. Noted the only access is through his garden which is very steep. Stated therefore that access would be a problem.	L. King	MM noted that Eskom will use a helicopter for difficult terrain.
How much sense does it make to put in two bends (at R5 million each) instead of buying out the properties? Noted that only the intended end users of the power would benefit from the project, at the cost of a few landowners.	L. King	KvdM noted he will discuss it further internally at Eskom.

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After the presentation she had indicated that she will not be directly affected by the route.	Ms. Mayekiso	Noted

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Noted he received the meeting notification late.	H. Ballantyne	DH explained process followed to notify I&APs and the dates when registered mail had been sent to directly affected landowners.
Noted there are protected Milkwood trees very close to one of the Eskom gates on his farm.	H. Ballantyne	Noted
Enquired about the advantages / disadvantages associated with the power line in rural/tribal areas?	H. Ballantyne	DH noted that the issues are more linked to the physical footprint of the infrastructure and risks to houses, cattle, etc. The use of local labour will be promoted. Also noted that skills transfer could take place during construction.
Asked why should he resend his comment sheet since it was already sent through his lawyer?	H. Ballantyne	DH noted that should he be satisfied that all his comments are already incorporated in the letter from the attorney, than he does not need to comment again.
Noted that his power supply to his lodge is a buried cable, as he does not want aboveground cables.	H. Ballantyne	DH noted that a Visual Impact Assessment will be undertaken.
Noted he is a game ranger and breeds and captures game. Also noted that there are not many game farms to the south of his farm Hammonds.	H. Ballantyne	DH noted that he will request the visual specialist to specifically look at his property.

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<p>Firstly, thank you for the pleasant manner in which you and your "team" conducted the meeting at Thorn Park.</p> <p>After coming away from the meeting feeling comfortable, my mind cannot help going back to the experiences I encountered when last I had dealings with a power line construction through my farm in Komga which I have since sold. The contractors, having erected the line, packed up and left when their job was done, leaving my farm in a mess. I had to request an inspection by a senior legal man from Megawatt Park JHB, and with the assistance of an arbitrator (Mr. Luppnow) from East London, I was paid compensation for costs to repair the damage done to my property. However, I had to repair all the damages to roads and fences myself.</p> <p>As we consider the case at hand, the Poseidon/Neptune line, the contractors will construct the line and move, and no longer be there for us in the years to come – once again leaving us at the mercy of Eskom should consequential problems arise. Mr. Koos v d Merwe, representing Eskom, appears very pleasant and sincere, but with due respect, who will be there for us when we need assistance later on? I note that the construction work will be signed-off, the inspection having been done. However, the power line and the scars over our land are permanent, as well as the knowledge that if we encounter problems in the future, we stand all alone - this I have experienced first-hand, and believe me, you do stand alone!</p> <p>We have to endure the inconvenience of the construction work where contractors have a task to do with not much (if any) regard to the property or the owner. The structures are massive and require suitable roads to be constructed to accommodate the huge machines for concrete foundations and erection of the pylons. My small properties of 30ha and 20ha have three valleys with steep gradients and I would estimate at least five pylons to be erected, of which only one has easy access. To access the remainder will require major construction of roads and as a result, serious damage to the property. I cannot deny the endorsement on my title deed of the servitude in favour of Eskom, but are the contractors permitted to excavate off the servitude measuring 55m wide to gain access to the sites? I believe that they shall have to negotiate the right to access the sites if any deviation from the servitude is required for construction of roads in areas not within the servitude. After all, one has to consider access for the maintenance of the line in years to come as well. I place my faith squarely on NEMAI Consultants and trust that the EIA will be fair to the land owners. There</p>	<p>L. King (Ptn 12 of the Farm 600) – 08 March 2010</p>	<p>DH response:</p> <p>This serves to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence.</p> <p>Your comments will be incorporated into a Comments and Response Report, wherein each issue needs to be addressed by an appropriate member of the project team (including Eskom, EIA Practitioner, Environmental Specialists). During the EIA Phase we need to be in a position to provide these responses to Interested and Affected Parties.</p> <p>Thank you for your participation to date. We will keep you posted as the EIA process unfolds.</p> <p><i>Matters to be addressed during the EIA phase.</i></p> <p><i>Requisite specialist studies (including visual and socio-economic) to be conducted to aim to address mentioned impacts.</i></p> <p><i>Specific mitigation measures pertaining to raised concerns to be included in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP).</i></p>



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<p>are more questions needing answers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who will maintain the access roads in the future? It is a fact that the roads on my Komga farm were not maintained and subsequent storm damage and normal wear had to be repaired by me, at my cost, and as a result I denied access to Eskom to inspect or service the line.</li> <li>2. When the power arrives, where will it be sent to and will we have additional lines to distribute the power? It makes no sense to think that additional power will be brought in, and not to consider the distribution of the power for use elsewhere.</li> <li>3. Will we be disadvantaged in the development of the land in the future should the urban edge come this way? Naturally the spiderweb of power lines will affect the potential for sub-division in the future, just as it will drastically affect my portion of land (i.e. Ptn 12 of the Farm 600).</li> <li>4. Will the spiderweb of lines disadvantage our area from any chance of future development by city planners? It would be normal for city planners to consider existing structures (and power lines) when planning the development of any area, and the Thorn Park region is definitely a future "node" with land values rising sharply over the last five years.</li> </ol> <p>The presence of the line will certainly put a negative on future sales in the vicinity of the line for many reasons, (including the talk of cancer from radio-activity), with a serious effect on any future sub-division plans and consequent sales thereof, resulting in a substantial devaluation of these properties.</p> <p>You will appreciate that the list of doubts grows, and it is impossible to note them all, but we are a few land owners who have to "give" for the sake of "reliability and capacity of the transmission network".</p> <p>The region is going to move forward at our expense, and therefore an amicable solution is essential for those who "give" in the name of progress, and in the process are aggrieved, disadvantaged and inconvenienced. The Constitution which protects us all has spoken at length on like-matters with reconciliation only coming about with negotiation and restitution – this must surely be applicable to our rights as well!</p> <p>Surely the added expense of any alternate routes and deviations which were discussed, would be far more costly and less practical than compensating the affected individuals. This compensation could be in the form of purchasing the land outright, or the compensation for loss incurred as a result of the line. My choice would be to sell and move away from the line, or alternatively accept compensation and then sell for reduced amount. I am not prepared to live near the power line, and having said that, I could not suggest the line be moved closer to any of my neighbours and thus compromise them in similar ways that grieve me.</p>		

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<p>Secondly, I have a second property (Ptn 12 of the Farm 600) which will be ruined in terms of value, as the proposed line is planned very close to where the available and suitable site for a homestead will be. In both instances (i.e. Ptn 4 and 12 of the Farm 600), any on-site inspection would speak for itself.</p> <p>I have also been in consultation with the Dept Trade and Industry for some time now, through a consultant at considerable cost, regarding attracting tourists by means of bush chalets for traditional experiences such as entertainment (food, dancing etc) deep within the pristine bush which will be affected by the power line.</p> <p>The only access road onto the farm is through my garden and yard, where I have planted in excess of 400 indigenous trees, and I shall surely not allow the construction vehicles to traverse that area. The rest of my land has two very steep valleys through which the vehicles will not manage. It would therefore only be possible to gain access through the way of compensation, if the figure can be agreed upon.</p> <p>When I study the location of the proposed line through my property, I see that it follows the same route as the present domestic line, and from what I heard at the meeting, it would require a 55m strip separating it from the existing line. This would take the present servitude of approximately 50m plus a 55m buffer strip and the new 55m servitude – a total of about 160m wide, the entire length of my properties, rendered totally useless for any real development. If my properties total 1000m (not measured) in length by 160m wide, I would forfeit 1000x160m to servitudes, which relates to a considerable proportion in terms of percentage of my land, or about 16 ha (not measured).</p> <p>I don't think many people in the negotiating process (yourself excluded), and certainly the contractors, realize the sensitive issues involved in the building of a structure such as this, and of course the maintenance thereof FOR EVER. The scars remaining from excavation work, trucks, cranes and tractors remain for a very long period of time, and I have spent the past five years since buying this property, repairing dongas and tracks which I suspect were caused by the erection of the small domestic line many years back.</p> <p>When the servitudes were agreed upon, I would imagine a standard fee was paid for the registration. Where does the land owner stand in terms of the inconvenience of the workforce on the farm, access roads to the servitude etc.? It is all well having a servitude, but who decides where the contractors may travel to reach the said servitudes and the building of access roads which are not within the 55m.</p> <p>I would not permit the construction of the line without</p>		

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<p>due consideration to the accumulated financial loss caused by the damage to the property and the permanent eye-sore that remains in the form of scars and an unsightly power line, as well as the health hazard to human and animal life. It would therefore be necessary for Eskom to purchase the properties, or alternatively, compensate the land owner for all loss in farming income as well as value of the properties calculated on the planned present and future development.</p> <p>For the record, the investments in the properties are the largest investments the land owners will make, and have a serious impact on the future financial security of the individuals. It cannot be permitted that the democratic rights and the future financial security of any land owner should be adversely affected without adequate compensation to the aggrieved party.</p> <p>I submit that most of the pertinent issues listed in your scoping report impact on these properties themselves (i.e. the land and the environment), but the most serious issue at hand for the land owner is the financial impact. All those living in the area do so from choice – they love the lifestyle and the land and therefore adhere to the pertinent issues – and realize the investment is solid and lucrative. However, the largest impacts become the most important, these being socio-economic, agricultural potential, aesthetics, noise and tourism. Together these issues drastically reduce the value of the property when the power line is built and the few land owners suffer irreparable financial consequences in the name of progress unless restitution takes place. Progress is obliged to compensate these land owners.</p> <p>I am presently advertising my sub-division for sale, but my ethical duty is to disclose the proposed line, and therefore have to declare to any prospective purchaser the planned construction. I consequently have to delay the sale of the property, and this is seriously going to impact on my income and cash flows at a stage in my life when I am no longer able to derive alternative income.</p> <p>In my case, we have concentrated our focal point from our home on the wonderful view. Regarded by many as a very valuable asset, the house design, garden and development are planned to maximize this feature. This will be destroyed by the power line through the centre of the focal point, and the additional destruction of the lovely views from the site for the house on the sub-division Ptn 600/12. (I enclose a picture of a sunset without a pylon, and another with a pylon in position.) I anticipate full and valued support from you as consultants, and although I do not want to sell the property, I am also not prepared to live near a power line of this size. The constant noise (buzzing sound) in moist weather from</p>		

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<p>the conductors is very irritating and an additional factor why I am prepared to consider selling the properties to Eskom, which would relieve me of all the stress and emotion experienced previously, and I want to avoid any unnecessary strain on my health at this stage of my life, having moved to this property to semi-retire.</p> <p>In my appeal to your assessment, I make mention of the most important factor or issue which is not readily considered, and that is the stress and trauma suffered by the affected party (again I mention that I have experienced this before). We love our land and can accept progress, but detest the damage done by progress, especially when it is selective and devastates the properties and livelihood of a few individuals – and for this reason, the state/Eskom must be held responsible and are wholly compelled to adequately make good the losses, whether sentimental, financial, inconvenience, aesthetic, noise, or any other issue. Although the health and well-being of the land owner cannot be measured, issues of this nature are the cause of serious health and emotional problems if not resolved satisfactorily.</p> <p>Eskom are building the line for economic purposes which will be beneficial to not only themselves, but to the region and the entire state, who in return derive a profitable income from the commodity, and this very definitely cannot be permitted to be at the expense of the individuals that are affected by supplying the land. Just as everyone else drawing power from the line for years to come, requires a profit, similarly the land owners must be afforded the opportunity to have financial stability for the future from their investment.</p>		
<p>Do you recall I was the only farmer present at the meeting? The reason being that our mail only reached Adelaide the Friday before the meeting.</p> <p>Being a registered game rancher, and that I catch game annually on my farm Hammonds Fort Beaufort with a helicopter, I was wondering if you had any feedback from the parties concerned, regarding the proposed power line to be constructed. You did inform me that there are alternative routes.</p> <p>Could you please get back to me and update me on this regard. Hoping to hear from you soon</p>	<p>H. Ballantyne (Farm Hammonds 148) – 17 March 2010</p>	<p>DH response:</p> <p>We regret any delays with the receipt of the mentioned correspondence. We had hoped that with registered mail the letters would have reached their destinations within 3 days.</p> <p>We will obtain specialist input with regard to your queries and concerns raised. All correspondence received from Interested and Affected Parties (I&amp;APs) will be included in the environmental reports, and will need to be responded to by the</p>

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		<p>project team.</p> <p>At this stage, we are busy with the Scoping of the proposed alternatives - refer to attached map for proposed alternate route alignments (kindly regard as a draft). We hope to inform I&amp;APs soon on the progress made with regard to the aforementioned.</p>

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