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Dear Sir / Madam

INVITATION TO COMMENT: NOTICE OF A DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A STRATEGIC SPARES BUILDING AT ESKOM KOMATI POWER STATION NEAR MIDDELBURG, WITHIN STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

Draft Basic Assessment Report is available for public review and comment from Wednesday, 18 July 2012 to Monday, 20 August 2012.

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd proposes to construct a Strategic Spares Building at Eskom Komati Power Station, near Middelburg, within Steve Tshwete Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province.

The Draft Basic Assessment Report has been compiled in order to assess the potential effects of the project on the receiving environment and determine appropriate mitigation measures in order to enhance positive impacts and minimise negative impacts. I&APs have further opportunity to comment by providing issues of concern and/or suggestions. It is hoped that I&AP comments will provide input into enhancing benefits and/or alternatives; and to ensure that the Competent Authority, the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) has sufficient information to make a decision.

Rest assured that all the comments raised will be passed on to the relevant specialists for investigation and will be captured in the Issues and Response Report, which forms part of the final Basic Assessment Report. The Draft Basic Assessment Report is available for public review and comments from Wednesday, 18 July 2012 to Monday, 20 August 2012 at local venue in the area (see table below).

PUBLIC VENUES	REVIEW HOURS	CONTACT Number
Koornfontein School	Monday to Friday	Tel No: 013 295 3103
Pelican Avenue	7H30 to 14H00	
Komati Main Road		
Komati		
Komati Power Station	Monday to Friday	Tel No: 013 295 9024
Visitors Centres	8H30 to 16H00	
Komati		

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Kindly submit all comments on the comment sheets attached to the report and/or submit them to the undersigned on or before **Monday, 20 August 2012.** Should you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact myself at Tel: 0861 444 499, Fax: 0861 626 222 or E-mail: <u>tebogo@envirolution.co.za</u>.

Sincerely,

Electronically Signed

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