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Attachments: Development area.kmz

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Hi John,

Thank you for Eskom's general requirements – it has been forwarded to the project team for their attention.

As requested, please find attached the .KMZ file.

Kind regards,



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Please find attached Eskom general requirements for works at or near Eskom servitudes and infrastructure. Please send me a KMZ file of affected property, proposed layout and grid connection.

Kind regards

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To: John Geeringh

Subject: NORTHAM 10MW SOLAR PV: Announcement of the Basic Assessment and Public Participation Process

**BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED 10MW NORTHAM SOLAR PV FACILITY NEAR THABAZIMBI, LIMPOPO PROVINCE
(LEDET Ref. No.: To be issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Northam Platinum Limited is proposing the development of a solar Photovoltaic (PV) facility and associated infrastructure on Portion 2 of the Farm Zondereinde 384, located approximately 35km south of Thabazimbi and 18km northwest of Northam, between the R510 in the west and the R511 in the east, within the Thabazimbi Local Municipality, Waterberg District Municipality, Limpopo Province.

The solar PV facility will have a contracted capacity of 10MW, and will use fixed tilt, single or double axis tracking PV technology to harness the solar resource on the project site. The purpose of the proposed project is to generate electricity for exclusive use by the Zondereinde Mine, following which any excess power produced will be distributed to the national grid, if applicable. The construction of the PV facility aims to reduce the Zondereinde Mine's dependency on direct supply from Eskom's national grid for operation activities, while simultaneously decreasing the mine's carbon footprint.

In order to evacuate the generated power to the Zondereinde Mine, a grid connection needs to be established. An overhead power line will be established to connect the on-site substation on the Northam solar PV facility site to the existing substation at the Zondereinde Metallurgical Complex. The overhead power line will run for 500m from the PV site to the side of the Eskom yard and will be at a minimum height of 5.5m. The power line is designed to have a capacity of 33kV but will be operated at 6.6kV.

Please find attached the following documents:

- Background Information Document which provides additional information regarding the application for the Northam Solar PV and associated Infrastructures; and
- Registration and Comment Form

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding the project.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Basic Assessment Process.

Kind regards,

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Eskom requirements for work in or near Eskom servitudes.

1. Eskom's rights and services must be acknowledged and respected at all times.
2. Eskom shall at all times retain unobstructed access to and egress from its servitudes.
3. Eskom's consent does not relieve the developer from obtaining the necessary statutory, land owner or municipal approvals.
4. Any cost incurred by Eskom as a result of non-compliance to any relevant environmental legislation will be charged to the developer.
5. If Eskom has to incur any expenditure in order to comply with statutory clearances or other regulations as a result of the developer's activities or because of the presence of his equipment or installation within the servitude restriction area, the developer shall pay such costs to Eskom on demand.
6. The use of explosives of any type within 500 metres of Eskom's services shall only occur with Eskom's previous written permission. If such permission is granted the developer must give at least fourteen working days prior notice of the commencement of blasting. This allows time for arrangements to be made for supervision and/or precautionary instructions to be issued in terms of the blasting process. It is advisable to make application separately in this regard.
7. Changes in ground level may not infringe statutory ground to conductor clearances or statutory visibility clearances. After any changes in ground level, the surface shall be rehabilitated and stabilised so as to prevent erosion. The measures taken shall be to Eskom's satisfaction.
8. Eskom shall not be liable for the death of or injury to any person or for the loss of or damage to any property whether as a result of the encroachment or of the use of the servitude area by the developer, his/her agent, contractors, employees, successors in title, and assignees. The developer indemnifies Eskom against loss, claims or damages including claims pertaining to consequential damages by third parties and whether as a result of damage to or interruption of or interference with Eskom's services or apparatus or otherwise. Eskom will not be held responsible for damage to the developer's equipment.
9. No mechanical equipment, including mechanical excavators or high lifting machinery, shall be used in the vicinity of Eskom's apparatus and/or services, without prior written permission having been granted by Eskom. If such permission is granted the developer must give at least seven working days' notice prior to the commencement of work. This allows time for arrangements to be made for supervision and/or precautionary instructions to be issued by the relevant Eskom Manager

Note: Where and electrical outage is required, at least fourteen work days are required to arrange it.

10. Eskom's rights and duties in the servitude shall be accepted as having prior right at all times and shall not be obstructed or interfered with.
11. Under no circumstances shall rubble, earth or other material be dumped within the servitude restriction area. The developer shall maintain the area concerned to Eskom's satisfaction. The developer shall be liable to Eskom for the cost of any remedial action which has to be carried out by Eskom.
12. The clearances between Eskom's live electrical equipment and the proposed construction work shall be observed as stipulated by *Regulation 15 of the Electrical Machinery Regulations of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993)*.
13. Equipment shall be regarded electrically live and therefore dangerous at all times.
14. In spite of the restrictions stipulated by Regulation 15 of the Electrical Machinery Regulations of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993), as an additional safety precaution, Eskom will not approve the erection of houses, or structures occupied or frequented by human beings, under the power lines or within the servitude restriction area.
15. Eskom may stipulate any additional requirements to highlight any possible exposure to Customers or Public to coming into contact or be exposed to any dangers of Eskom plant.
16. It is required of the developer to familiarise himself with all safety hazards related to Electrical plant.
17. Any third party servitudes encroaching on Eskom servitudes shall be registered against Eskom's title deed at the developer's own cost. If such a servitude is brought into being, its existence should be endorsed on the Eskom servitude deed concerned, while the third party's servitude deed must also include the rights of the affected Eskom servitude.

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