

Appendix 1 SIP confirmation



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To Whom It May Concern,

STRATEGIC INTEGRATED PROJECT (SIP) 16: SKA and MeerKAT– ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PROJECT STATUS

SIP 16 seeks to support the building of the world's largest advanced radio telescope (the Square Kilometre Array) by facilitating key technical and social infrastructure and developing industrial and research localisation opportunities and skills expansion. The projects linked to SIP 16 of the SKA and Meerkat are classified as a Strategic Integrated Projects (SIP) and are to be managed within the requirements as set out in the Infrastructure Development Act (Act No. 23 of 2014).

The SIP Steering Committee of 22 July 2021 recommended that SKA and Meerkat Project (SIP 16) be retained as a SIP Project after agreements reached with the project sponsors and owners as per the resolution of the PICC Council.

The following individuals from Infrastructure South Africa are responsible for the Digital Infrastructure Portfolio and may be contacted for further assistance:

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I hereby request that you please assist the project owners and sponsors with the necessary approvals, authorisations, licences, permissions and exemptions, as determined within the boundaries of the Infrastructure Development Act (Act No 23 of 2014).

Your assistance will be much appreciated.

We wish the Project Owners and Sponsors all the best in the development of this project.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Kgosientsho Ramokgopa

Chair: Strategic Integrated Project Steering Committee

Date: 01 October 2021

From: Dorette Loggenberg <DoretteL@idc.co.za>
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Date: 01 Oct 2020 08:46
Subject: RE: SKA Fibre Optic Cable - SIP Confirmation Letter

Good morning Luanita,

I trust this message finds you well. I acknowledge the background and additional information provided in the trailing email below. **As the SIP Lead for SIP 16 SKA & MeerKAT, I can confirm that the SKA Fibre Optic Cable does form part of SIP 16.** In line with the Infrastructure Development Act, the application for this project will be expedited by the National Department of Environmental Affairs.

Ms Millecent Solomons is our contact person at the department and has assisted us tremendously in the past with these applications. To my knowledge she is aware of this application. We do not generally provide letters as confirmation of projects as part of the SIP. In most cases the attachment of the email confirmation to the application is sufficient.

Kind regards,

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