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ATTENTION: CHIEF DIRECTOR: INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS - DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT (DFFE)

GENERIC SUBSTATION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPr) AMENDMENT FOR THE 132kv SWITCHING STATION, LOCATED IN THE MATJHABENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, LEJWELEPUTSWA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, FREE STATE PROVINCE

On behalf of the Applicant:

Norma Energy (Pty) Ltd

Please find attached to this cover letter, the completed **EMPr Amendment Application** and **associated appendices,** and the **Amended EMPr** for the above-mentioned Project.

The Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) wishes to submit a Generic Substation Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for the 132kV Switching station. The Virginia 1 132kV step-up and switching station was administratively split into two so that the two halves of the substation fall under different ownerships:

- 132kV step-up substation: URSA Energy (RF) (Pty) Ltd
- 132kV switching station: Normal Energy (Pty) Ltd new Generic substation EMPr.
 - A Generic Substation EMPr is submitted with this cover letter for the 132kV switching substation.
 - Please note that the 132kV step-up generic substation EMPr was duplicated for the 132kV switching station as it is the same substation and therefore the EMPr can be used for both halves of the substation. Therefore, the EMPr is not new, it has just been duplicated and updated to represent the two halves falling under different ownership/applicants.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any clarification or additional information.

Yours Faithfully,

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On behalf of The Terramanzi Group (Pty) Ltd