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## **Final Decision**

## In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Miss Sebenzile Happyness Mavis Mhlongo

## project name:Plaston Ngodini Project number: KIRE12 Farm name: Mbuyane 960 JU and Gutshwa 959 JU Length of the line : 1.417km

Eskom SOC Ltd, Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) is requesting on behalf of the applicant, that SAHRA grant an exemption from conducting heritage studies for this proposed development. According to the documents submitted to the case, the new power line will start at the Kabokweni Industrial Ring End 11kV and Ngodini 11kV rural feeder and will be constructed within the road reserve between Tekatakho and Backdoor, as an Eskom project. It is located on the farm Mbuyane 960 JU and Gutshwa 959 JU in the Nkomazi Local Municipality of the Mpumalanga Province. The total length of the power line will be 1.633 metres.

Although no photographs of the route were included in this application, SAHRA in this instance is satisfied with the information provided and has no objections to this power line being constructed.

## **Final Decision**

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit accepts Eskom SOC Limited's Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) request for an exemption from further heritage assessments for this proposed power line route Although no photographs of the route were included in this application, SAHRA in this instance is satisfied with the information provided and has no objections to this power line being constructed.

The following conditions still apply and need to be added to Appendix C 1.22:

If there are any new heritage resources discovered during construction and operation phases of the proposed development, then a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the findings at the expense of the developer.

If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required at the expense of the developer. Mitigation will only be carried out after the archaeologist or palaeontologist obtains a permit in terms of section 35 of the NHRA (Act 25 of 1999). You may contact SAHRA APM Unit for further details: (Nokukhanya Khumalo/John Gribble 021 202 8652). **Plaston Ngodini** 

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If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves then mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA BGG Unit must be contacted for processes to follow (Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490).

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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