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## **Response to NID (Notification of Intent to Develop)**

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

Attention: Galaletsang Motlalekgosi  
Eskom-MOU

**Eskom Distribution Mpumalanga Operating Unit is proposing an electrification project at Kildare village. The area is within the Ehlanzeni District Muncip, Bushbuckridge Local muncip within Mpumalanga province. 2X2m and 2.4 m holes will be dug for the 14m wooden poles.**

Eskom SOC Ltd, Mpumalanga Operating Unit (LOU) is requesting, on behalf of their applicant, that SAHRA grant them an exemption from conducting heritage studies for this proposed power line development. According to the documents submitted to the case, the proposed new MV power line will be 856.8 m and the LV power line will be 2675.4 m in length and will be supplying electricity to the Xhimhungwe village. The proposed new power line will be located on the farm Kildare 277 KU in the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality of Mpumalanga Province.

The information provided in this case is insufficient to substantiate the motivation for SAHRA to grant an exemption from conducting a heritage assessment. The minimum required information should be the following:

Ground level photos of the entire proposed power line route, including photos of each pole position.

A survey diagram provided with a legend to guide in the understanding of the various symbols on the map, and cross section of the pole and the depth of excavations.

A project description must be provided to the case, it must contain a description of the environment in which the power line will be constructed in.



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### SAHRA Response to Notification of Development

This application constitutes a section 38 (1) application for approval by SAHRA in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999 (NHRA), as the proposed power line exceeds 300 metres in length. As such SAHRA is providing response in terms of section 38(2) with regards to this application.

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit cannot make an informed decision on this proposed development because the information provided to this case is not enough to determine if any heritage resources will be disturbed or damaged by the proposed power line construction. In order for SAHRA to process this case a detail project description of the Nature and extent of the development must be submitted.

SAHRA requires ground level photographic images of the power line route and photos of the pole positions on the ground to be uploaded to the case, along with a desd, a project description, depth of foundations required for the wooden pole.

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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