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## Final Decision

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

Attention: Mrs Nkateko Msimango  
Eskom Distribution- LOU  
92 Hans van Rensburg

**Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd, Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) hereby notifying you that it intends to construct the powerline for the above-mentioned project. There is an existing line in the farm, which will be dismantled from pole no WL214/181/79 to pole no WL214/181/91 and move Toff WL214/181/85 to the MV line and move terminal pole no , WL214/181/85/1 to new position. The powerline will include new 1.369km on Portion 1 of farm Afzet 140 JR and portion 33 of the farm Witlaagte 173 JR in Bela Bela Local Municipality of Waterberg District Municipality in the Limpopo Province**

Eskom SOC Ltd, Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) has submitted a section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999 (NHRA) application, on behalf of their applicant, to obtain a SAHRA decision in terms of section 38(2) of the NHRA for the construction of a new 1369m long power line starting at Lehau 22kV feeder and the old line parallel to the proposed new power line will be dismantled. The power line will be supplying electricity to various households on various farms in Bela Bela Local Municipality of Limpopo Province.

The photos provided to the case do not show any surface heritage features therefore, the potential impact on heritage resources is considered low. The construction of a 22kV power line will not impact on heritage resources or change the character of the landscape. The likelihood of heritage artefacts being uncovered from the foundation excavations is low. The overall power line is located in a blue palaeontology sensitive zone according to the SAHRIS palaeomap. According to the SAHRIS palaeomap policy, the development does not require a palaeontological impact assessment.

### Final Decision

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit grants this application an exemption from further heritage assessments in terms of section 38(2)b of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

SAHRA has no objections to this proposed development going ahead and this Final Decision applies to the

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provisions of the NHRA only.

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/Phillip Hine 021 202 8654).

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 Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow (Mimi Seetelo 072 802 1251).

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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South African Heritage Resources Agency

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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/580254>

**Terms & Conditions:**

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.