



## Letter

### In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Eskom Holdings  
Megawatt House  
Simba Road  
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Johannesburg

**A heritage destruction permit is required for the construction of a 400 kV pylon from Hendrina power station to Gumeni sub station.**

*Van Schalkwyk, J. (May 2013). Compilation of a construction environmental management programme for a section of the Gumeni Hendrina 400 kV power-line: Heritage Resources Assessment*

A Comment on the proposed Hendrina-Gumeni Transmission line was issued by SAHRA in 2010 based on the 2010 report completed by Dr U. Kusel. The 2010 report recommended that a final walkdown of the selected route be conducted to ensure that the tower placement did not impact on heritage resources. According to the 2013 report, a walkdown was completed for a section of the proposed route, however the last 30km of the route was inaccessible. The 2013 report describes the results of the walkdown for this remaining 30km, covering the placement of towers T136 to T208.

A number of heritage resources were identified in the report, most of these will only be indirectly impacted based on the information provided regarding tower placements. These include Sites 92, 94, 100, 102, 103, 104, 105 and 106. The site identified as Site 98 will be directly impacted by the placement of tower T205 and Sites 107 and 108 will be directly impacted by the placement of tower T178.

A permit application was made to SAHRA via SAHRIS for the destruction of the archaeological Sites 107 and 108 to be impacted by the placement of tower T178.

As indicated in the letter from SAHRA dated 14 June 2013, "the construction of tower T178 will impact sites 107 and 108. Therefore archaeological monitoring is required during the construction of tower T178. A monitoring report must be submitted to SAHRA."

As such, no permit is required. However archaeological monitoring of the construction of tower T178 is required, to be followed by a monitoring report.

Should it not be possible to adhere to the above conditions, the applicant must consult with SAHRA regarding the reasons for non-compliance.

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

Yours faithfully



## Hendrina - Gumeni Transmission Line (2)

Our Ref: 16/1/5/ Hendrina Gumeni Power Line

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### ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/120811>

### 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.



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