



Letter

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

Attention: Eskom - NOU
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APPLICATION FOR RECTIFICATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 24G OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) FOR THE UNLAWFUL COMMENCEMENT OF VARIOUS LISTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE UNDERGROUND COAL GASIFICATION (PHASE 1 – PILOT PLANT) PROJECT INCLUDING ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE IN SUPPORT OF CO-FIRING GAS AT MAJUBA POWER STATION, AMERSFOORT, MPUMALANGA

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the NEMA S.24G process being followed regarding unauthorised development associated with the Eskom Underground Coal Gasification Plant. It is noted that the heritage studies submitted in terms of this S. 24G application are the same studies that were completed for the proposed Eskom Underground Coal Gasification Plant (case 756 on SAHRIS). As such, these studies are not sufficient to identify the impacts of the unauthorised construction on heritage resources.

It is noted that the HIA identified a number of heritage resources within the project area that may have been impacted by the unauthorised work.

Based on the submitted information, SAHRA is unable to determine what impact the unauthorised work has had on heritage resources. As such, SAHRA requires a heritage impact assessment that assesses the impacts of the unauthorised work on all heritage resources including, but not limited to, those heritage resources identified in the HIA dated May 2013 by J. van Schalkwyk.

This assessment must include a map of the identified heritage resources in relation to the unauthorised work.

As it is unlikely that any palaeontological resources were impacted by the unauthorised work and as such, no assessment of impacts to palaeontological material is required.

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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