## **Eskom Grootvlei PV BA**

Our Ref: 16/5/1 Eskom Grootvlei PV Facility

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## Letter

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

Attention: Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd P.O. Box 8610

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Eskom Holdings SoC Limited (Eskom) proposes to construct and operate a Solar Photovoltaic (PV) facility with a capacity of less than 20MW, with a footprint under 20ha at the existing Eskom Grootvlei Power Station, Rietfontein 458 IR, in Mpumalanga.

Groenewald, G. March 2014. PALAEONTOLOGICAL DESKTOP ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE GROOTVLEI POWERSTATION PHOTOVOLTAIC FACILITY SOUTH OF HEIDELBERG, GAUTENG PROVINCE

Thank you for submitting the above report to SAHRA on 27 May 2014.

In our letter dated 19 March 2014, SAHRA indicated that;

"SAHRA is unable to issue a final comment on the proposed development as further information is required.

Please submit a palaeontological impact assessment that assesses the impact of the proposed development on significant palaeontological resources. This assessment must contain a field assessment by a qualified palaeontologist and must include a protocol for finds."

It is noted that the study submitted does not contain a field assessment or a protocol for finds. As such, the information requested in our letter dated 19 March 2014 is still outstanding and SAHRA is unable to comment further.

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Please submit a palaeontological impact assessment that assesses the impact of the proposed development on significant palaeontological resources. This assessment must contain a field assessment by a qualified palaeontologist and must include a protocol for finds.

Should Area 4 be selected for development, the following conditions apply;

- The cemetery may not be impacted by the proposed development and an additional 5m buffer from the existing steel fence.
- Research into the historical background of the area must be conducted to determine the origins of the stone foundations and the likelihood of association with historical archaeological material.

SAHRA will await the submission of the outstanding information before commenting further.

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



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an agency of the Department of Arts and Culture

above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Jenna Lavin Heritage Officer

South African Heritage Resources Agency

**ADMIN:** 

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