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Final Decision

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

Attention: Ms Mahlatse Shiloane
Eskom Distribution- LOU
92 Hans van Rensburg Street
P.O Box 3499
Polokwane
0700

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd, Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) intends to construct the powerline for the above-mentioned project. The powerline will include an approximately 325m line which will be connected to the existing powerline in the area from pole number JJ42 (refer to the Span plan sheets and the Pegging Coordinates for more information). The line will be constructed in Mooketsi at ZZ2 in the Greater letaba Local Municipality under Mopani District in Limpopo Province. Environmental Screening of the powerline route was conducted during mapping of the village and pegging of the route the by Survey team and site verification by Environmental Practitioner.

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the proposed power line construction. The power line will be located on the farm Boekenhoutbult 385 LT, Greater Letaba Local Municipality, in Limpopo Province. The total length of the power line will be 325.86m. The power line is intended to start at the Jachdtpad Jachdtpad 22kV rural feeder.

It should be noted that this proposed development constitutes a linear development exceeding 300m as per Section 38(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999). In terms of Section 38(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999), the relevant heritage authority is required to determine whether or not the proposed development is likely to impact on any significant heritage resources.

Based on the submitted information to the case the power line is proposed to be constructed on farm land and across gravel roads.

Final Decision

Due to the low ground clearing and disturbance of a 22kV power line construction and/or development in an area that has been modified by road construction and agriculture. It is unlikely that any significant heritage will be disturbed during construction in the area of proposed power line route, as such no further heritage studies are required as per Section 38(2)b.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology & Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objection to the proposed development on the condition that:

- If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings.
- If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary, and a permit will be needed before mitigation. You may contact SAHRA APM Unit for further details: (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Phillip Hine 021 202 8652),
- and if any unmarked human burials are uncovered then please contact the SAHRA BGG Unit (Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490).

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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Heritage Officer
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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.