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Final Comment

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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This project entails the construction of approximately 35km of overhead 132kV power line from Dieprivier to Kareedouw Substations, the decommissioning of existing power lines made redundant by new lines, the construction of new substation at Dieprivier and decommission of existing substation, the extension of the existing Kareedouw Substation and the construction of new or maintenance of existing minor roads.

RE: PHASE 1 AIA AND PIA REPORTS FOR DIEPRIVIER – MELKHOUT; MELKHOUT – PATENSIE;
DIEPRIVIER – KAREEDOW 132Kv POWERLINES

Our office received and processed the above captioned reports. As you may recall these new studies were triggered by the rejection of the previous studies. Our office's concern previously had to do with the apparent desktop nature of the previous reports. It was felt that given the apparent sensitivity of the area in which the proposed development area was located, coupled with some recommendations from the previous studies, field work was necessary.

In view of the new findings therefore ECPHRA has no objection the development may proceed. However, cautionary measures should be taken to avoid damage to those heritage resources that might be found accidentally. Should there be any significant findings of heritage resources during the field work, the work must stop and heritage resources authority and heritage specialists informed of the findings. Heritage resources are protected in terms of NHRA, No. 25 of 1999.

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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Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/120033>

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 ECPHRA immediately.
3. ECPHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.

