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## **Interim Comment**

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mnr Pieter du Preez

Eskom Distribution- LOU

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Aurecon intends to construct the powerlines for the above-mentioned project for Mogalakwena Municipality Boreholes. This powerline will include 332m of MV line which will be connected to the existing pole number GMT378 in the area (refer to the Span plan sheets and the Pegging Coordinates for more information) traversing the farm Farm Kromkloof 744 LR , in the Waterberg DM in the Mogalakwena Local Municipality of the Limpopo Province.

Eskom SOC Ltd, Limpopo Operating Unit (LOU) is requesting, on behalf of Aurecon, that SAHRA grant them an exemption from conducting heritage studies for this proposed power line development. According to the documents submitted to the case, a 332m MV power lines will be constructed for the Mogalakwena Municipality Boreholes located in the remainder of Farm Kromkloof 744 LR in the in the Mogalakwena Local Municipality of the Limpopo Province.

The proposed line will constructed in an area currently used for residential and farming purposes. It is heavily degraded by current land use activities such as the roads, existing powerline and stand boundary fences lines. The photos provided to the case do not show any surface heritage features. The area is of moderate palaeontological sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map, therefore there is a potential of impact on heritage resources.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the level of disturbance in the proposed development area and assumes that no significant archaeological heritage resources would be impacted by the proposed powerline. The area is however of moderate palaeontological sensitivity, therefore a desktop Palaeontological Impact Assessment has to be undertaken and protocol for finds is also required.

If you are unaware of any palaeontologists a list of them working within the Heritage Resources Management field are provided in the this website (see <a href="https://www.palaeosa.org">www.palaeosa.org</a>).

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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### 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.