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## Response to NID (Notification of Intent to Develop)

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

Attention: Galaletsang Motlalekgosi

Eskom-MOU

Eskom Distribution Mpumalanga Operating Unit is proposing to build a 321 m 22kV powerline to supply the customer with 16kVA transformer at farm Bellevue 104 JU within the Ehlanzeni District munic, Mbombela Local Munic, mpumalanga Province. The project will involve digging of 2X2 m, 2.4 m deep holes and planting 14m wooden poles

Eskom SOC Ltd, Mpumalanga Operating Unit (LOU) is requesting, on behalf of their applicant, that SAHRA grant them an exemption from conducting heritage studies for this proposed power line development. According to the documents submitted to the case, the proposed new power line will be 321 m starting at the Bellevue 11 kV feeder. The proposed new power line will be located on Portion 51 of the farm Bellevue 104 JU in the Mbombela Local Municipality of Mpumalanga Province.

The information provided in this case is insufficient to substantiate the motivation for SAHRA to grant an exemption from conducting a heritage assessment. The minimum required information should be the following:

Ground level photos of the entire proposed power line route, including photos of each pole position. In addition, a .kml file that is a simple google earth point, line and polygon format must be submitted to SAHRA.

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This application constitutes a section 38 (1) application for approval by SAHRA in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999 (NHRA), as the proposed power line exceeds 300 metres in length. As such SAHRA is providing response in terms of section 38(2) with regards to this application.

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SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit cannot make an informed decision on this proposed development because the information provided to this case is not enough to determine if any heritage resources will be disturbed or damaged by the proposed power line construction. In order for SAHRA to process this case, SAHRA requires ground level photographic images of the power line route and photos of the pole positions on the ground to be uploaded to the case, along with a simple google earth .kml file.

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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