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Dear Sir/Madam

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE AMENDED DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE GORDONIA-AVONDALE 132KV TRANSMISSION LINE, UPINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Department confirms having received the Amended Draft Basic Assessment Report for the abovementioned project on 21 September 2021. You have submitted these documents to comply with the the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Please take note of Regulation 40(3) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that "Potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in subregulation (1) prior to submission of an application but must be provided with an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the competent authority."

Further note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted in terms of Regulation 3(7) of these Regulations.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.

## Kind Regards,

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