

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A PUMPED-STORAGE SCHEME AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE STEELPOORT AREA, MPUMALANGA AND LIMPOPO PROVINCES DEAT REF: 12/12/20/858

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT, AND NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

In September 2006, notice was given in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) regulations (2006), published in Government Notice R385 to R387 of 21 April 2006 in terms of Section 24(5) read with Section 44, of the National Environmental Management Act (1998) (Act No 107 of 1998), of Eskom's intention to establish a pumped storage power generation facility in the Steelpoort area, Limpopo and Mpumalanga Provinces.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT EIR

All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for public review and comment. The draft EIR will be available from **18 April 2007** to **23 May 2007** (a period of 35 calendar days). Electronic copies of the report will be available on the Bohlweki Environmental (www.bohlweki.co.za) and Eskom (www.eskom.co.za/eia) websites. Hard copies will also be made available at the following public venues for review:

- Offices of Bohlweki Environmental, Woodmead, Gauteng Province;
- Greater Sekhukhune municipal offices;
- Greater Tubatse municipal offices;
- Elias Motsoaledi municipal offices;
- Steelpoort Post Office;
- Roosenekal Public Library;
- Roosenekal Post office; and
- Groblersdal Public Library

NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

All individuals or groups interested in, or affected by, the project are invited to attend the public meeting to be held on **Wednesday, 16 May 2007** from 18h00 to 20h00, at the **Mapochs Mine Recreation Club, Roosenekal**. The Public Meeting will provide Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with information regarding the outcomes of the Environmental Impact Assessment undertaken on the proposed project, and will provide an opportunity to raise any issues and concerns.

Should you require any further information please contact:

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OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUEERINGSPROSES

VOORGESTELDE KONSTRUKSIE VAN 'N POMPOPGAARSKEMA EN DIE GEASSOSIEERDE INFRASTRUKTUUR IN DIE STEELPOORT AREA, MPUMALANGA EN LIMPOPO PROVINSIES DEAT VER: 12/12/20/858

BESKIKBAARHEID VAN KONSEP OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUEERINGSVERSLAG (OIEV) VIR PUBLIEKE INSAE EN KOMMENTAAR, ASOOK, 'N UITNODIGING NA DIE OPENBARE VERGADERING

Kennis is in September 2006 gegee in terme van die Omgewingsimpakevalueerings (OIE) regulasies, gepubliseer in Regeringskennisgewing R385 tot R387 van 21 April 2006 in terme van Hoofstuk 24(5) gelees saam met Hoofstuk 44, van die Nasionale Omgewingsbestuurswet (1998) (Wet No 107 van 1998), van Eskom se voorneme vir die konstruksie en bedryf van 'n pompogaarskema in die Steelpoort omgewing in die Limpopo en Mpumalanga Provinsies.

BESKIKBAARHEID VAN KONSEP OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUEERINGSVERSLAG (OIEV)

Alle Geaffekteerde en Belanghebbende Partye (G&BPe) word hiermee in kennis gestel dat die OIEV beskikbaar is vir publieke insae en kommentaar. Die konsep OIEV sal beskikbaar wees vanaf **18 April 2007** tot **23 Mei 2007** (a periode van 35 kalender dae). Electronies kopiee van die OIEV sal beskikbaar wees op die Bohlweki Environmental (www.bohlweki.co.za) asook Eskom (www.eskom.co.za/eia) webtuistes. Harde kopiee sal beskikbaar gestel word by die volgende openbare plekke vir insae en kommentaar:

- Kantore van Bohlweki Environmental, Woodmead, Gauteng Provinsie;
- Groter Sekhukhune munisipale kantore;
- Groter Tubatse munisipale kantore;
- Elias Motsoaledi munisipale kantore;
- Steelpoort Poskantoor;
- Roosenekal Publieke Biblioteek;
- Roosenekal Poskantoor; en
- Groblersdal Publieke Biblioteek

UITNODIGING NA DIE OPENBARE VERGADERINGS

Alle individuele of groepe ge-intereseerd in, of ge-affecteerd deur, die projek word vriendelik uitgenooi om die openbare vergadering op **Woensdag, 16 Mei 2007** vanaf 18h00 tot 20h00, by **Mapochs Mine Recreation Club, Roosenekal by te woon**. Die bevindinge van die Omgewingsimpakevalueeringsverslag (OIEV) sal vir bespreking voorgelê word by die bogenoemde vergadering, en sal ook die gellenthaied aan die G&BPe bide om alle bekommernisse en kommentaar to opper. ,

Indien u enige verder inligting verlang skakel gerus:

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