

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT EIA REPORTS FOR**

**The Proposed Ankerlig Power Station Conversion and Transmission Integration Project
AND
The Proposed Decommissioning and Relocation of the Acacia and Port Rex Power Station
Gas Turbines to the Ankerlig Power Station Site**

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The period for review is **22 September 2008 to 22 October 2008**. Please submit written comment by **20 October 2008** to the relevant contact person below.

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Voorgestelde Bedrywighede:

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17 September 2008

Dear Stakeholder,

**PROPOSED ANKERLIG POWER STATION CONVERSION AND TRANSMISSION INTEGRATION PROJECT:
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS AND**

***PROPOSED DECOMMISSIONING AND RELOCATION OF THE THREE GAS TURBINE UNITS AT ACACIA
POWER STATION (NEAR GOODWOOD, WESTERN CAPE) AND ONE GAS TURBINE UNIT AT PORT REX
POWER STATION (NEAR EAST LONDON, EASTERN CAPE) TO THE EXISTING ANKERLIG POWER
STATION SITE, IN ATLANTIS INDUSTRIA, WESTERN CAPE
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS***

**INVITATION TO REVIEW THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORTS
AND ATTEND A KEY STAKEHOLDERS FEEDBACK MEETING: 07 OCTOBER 2008**

PROJECT 1: Proposed Ankerlig Power Station Conversion and Transmission Integration Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Eskom Holdings Limited is proposing the conversion of the to existing Ankerlig Power Station (An Open Cycle Gas Turbine - OCGT-Plant) to a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) Plant and construction of an associated 400kV transmission power line from Ankerlig Power Station to Omega Substation. The project includes:

- » Investigating the conversion of nine units at the existing Open Cycle Gas Turbine plant to a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine plant to increase generating capacity to the existing power station by approximately 720 MW; and,
- » The investigation of a 400 kV transmission power line between Ankerlig Power Station and the already authorised Omega Substation (to be located on the Farm Groot Olifantskop 81) to transmit the additional power generated at this power station into the National electricity grid.

The proposed project is located in Atlantis Industria.

In terms of the EIA Regulations published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, No 107 of 1998), Eskom requires authorisation from the National Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT) (in consultation with the Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning) for the undertaking of the proposed project. In order to obtain authorisation for this project, comprehensive, independent environmental studies must be undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations. **This project has been registered with National DEAT under Application Reference numbers 12/12/20/1014 (power station conversion) and 12/12/20/1037 (transmission line).**

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PROJECT 2: *Proposed Decommissioning and Relocation of the Three Gas Turbine Units at Acacia Power Station (Goodwood, Western Cape) and One Gas Turbine Unit at Port Rex Power Station (East London, Eastern Cape) to the existing Ankerlig Power Station Site (Atlantis Industria, Western Cape).*

Eskom Holdings Limited (Eskom) is investigating the decommissioning of the existing Acacia aero derivative gas turbine units and the relocation of these units to the existing Ankerlig Power Station site in Atlantis, to stabilise the transmission network in the area and ensure the required dedicated back-up power supply to the Koeberg Nuclear Power Station. In addition, in order to provide additional operational flexibility and to streamline the phasing of the relocation of the Acacia units to the Ankerlig Power Station, an additional aero derivative gas turbine unit is proposed to be decommissioned and relocated to the Ankerlig Power Station site from Eskom's Port Rex Power Station site in East London.

Eskom is also proposing to turn the existing Koeberg-Dassenberg 132 kV line into Ankerlig and to utilise this dedicated line to connect the aero derivative gas turbines to Koeberg, connected to a new 132kV HV yard adjacent to the HV yard within the existing Ankerlig Power Station site.

In summary, the proposed project involves the following activities:

- Decommissioning and relocation of the three existing aero derivative gas turbine units at the Acacia Power Station (located near Goodwood) to the existing Ankerlig Power Station (located in Atlantis Industria).
- Decommissioning and relocation of one aero derivative gas turbine unit at Port Rex (located near East London) to the existing Ankerlig Power Station.
- Turning-in of the existing Koeberg - Dassenberg 132 kV line into a new 132 kV High Voltage Yard (HV Yard) to transmit the power generated by these relocated units to the Koeberg Power Station.

In terms of sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notices R385 (Regulations 27-36) and R387, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment are required to be undertaken for this proposed project. This project has been registered with the National Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism under Application Reference Number 12/12/20/1155.

In this regard, Savannah Environmental has been appointed as an independent consultant to undertake the required environmental impact assessment and public participation for the proposed project. Savannah Environmental has appointed Sustainable FuturesZA to assist in the process of facilitating the public participation process.

PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORTS

In accordance with the EIA Regulations, the draft Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (Ankerlig and Acacia Power Stations) has been prepared and will be made available for review and comment by Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) and key stakeholders. The **30-day period for review is 30**

September 2008 to 30 October 2008. The 2 draft Environmental Impact Assessment Reports will be available for review at:

Websites:	www.eskom.co.za/eia	www.savannahSA.com
Physical locations:	Wesfleur Library - Atlantis	Melkbosstrand Library
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Comments can be made as written submissions via fax, post or e-mail.

<p>Please submit your comments to</p> <p>Shawn Johnston of Sustainable Futures ZA PO Box 749, Rondebosch, Cape Town, 7701 Fax: 086 510 2537 E-mail: swjohnston@mweb.co.za</p> <p>The due date for comments on the Draft Environmental Scoping Report is 30 October 2008</p>

PUBLIC MEETING

In order to facilitate comments on the draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report, a Key Stakeholder Meeting will be held during the review period. All interested and affected parties are invited to attend the Key Stakeholders Meeting:

DATE: Tuesday, 07 October 2008
TIME: 11:00 - 14:00
VENUE: Koeberg Visitors Centre

The aim of the public meeting is to provide you with more information regarding the proposed projects, to provide a summary of the findings of the two environmental impact assessment undertaken, and to invite comment on the proposed projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and looks forward to your continued involvement.

Yours sincerely,



Shawn Johnston
 Process Facilitator



23 September 2008

Dear Stakeholder,

Ankerlig and Acacia Power Station Environmental Impact Assessments

I hereby wish to inform you that our team are experiencing a delay in posting the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Reports for the **Eskom Ankerlig Power Station Conversion and Transmission Integration Project** and the **Eskom Acacia Decommissioning and Relocation Project**. We were unable to deliver all the reports to the relevant libraries and key stakeholder groupings as advertised in the Cape Times, Friday, 19 September 2008 and for this we apologise.

Our team envisages that all the relevant reports will be placed in the advertised libraries by **Tuesday, 30 September 2008**. All key stakeholders will be informed as soon as these documents have been delivered to the public libraries and key residents and ratepayers associations.

Please note the various draft environmental impact assessment reports can also be downloaded from the **Eskom** (www.eskom.co.za/eia) and **Savannah Environmental** (www.savannhasa.co.za) web sites.

For any clarity of the upcoming release of the draft reports and upcoming key stakeholders meeting or comments you might wish to submit, don't hesitate to contact me directly on 083 325 9965 or on e-mail at swjohnston@mweb.co.za.

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