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Dear Mr. West

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT IN TERMS OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION R. 387: THE PROPOSED TUTUKA POWER STATION BRINE AND GROUNDWATER TREATMENT WORKS, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

The above document dated April 2010 and received by the Department on 20 April 2010 refers.

The Department has evaluated the submitted Final Scoping Report (FSR) dated April 2010 and is satisfied that the FSR complies with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2006. The FSR is hereby **accepted** by the Department in terms of GN R.385 (31) (1) (a) of the EIA Regulations, 2006.

You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment included in the Scoping Report dated April 2010.

Please ensure that comments from all relevant authorities are submitted to the Department with the Final Environmental Impact Report. This includes but is not limited to the Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture Rural Development and Land Administration (MDARDLA), Department of Water Affairs (DWA) and the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA).

The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of GN R.385 (77) with regard to the time period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations, and GN R. 385 (58) and (59) with regard to the allowance of a comment period for interested and affected parties on all reports submitted to the competent authority for decision-making. The reports referred to are listed in GN R. 385 (58) (3a-3g).

You are hereby reminded that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours faithfully

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