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Dear Ms Streaton

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EIA APPLICATION: PROPOSED EXPANSION OF MERCURY SUBSTATION NEAR VIERFONTEIN, FREE STATE PROVINCE, TO A 765KV SUBSTATION TO ACCOMMODATE PROPOSED 765KV TRANSMISSION POWER LINES.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP), dated February 2008, on 20 February 2008. You have submitted this EMP in order to comply with the conditions of the exemption authorisation granted on 7 March 2007.

The Department has reviewed the EMP and hereby accepts the EMP for implementation during the construction period for the proposed Mercury 765kV Transmission substation. Please use the above reference number in all future correspondence with this Department regarding this specific activity. You are hereby reminded that the EMP is a living document, however any revision or changes to the EMP must be submitted to the department for acceptance before such changes can be effected on site.

Yours sincerely

Ms Pam Yako
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