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Your reference:

Our reference: 9520

Date: 26 July 2012

ATTENTION: GABISILE HLONGWANE

Dear Gabisile

RE: SPLITTING PROJECTS - APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (SCOPING / EIA PROCESS) FOR THE PROPOSED ESKOM THYSPUNT TRANSMISSION LINES INTEGRATION PROJECT – SOUTHERN CORRIDOR AND PORT ELIZABETH SUBSTATION

- **DEA Ref No: (Southern Corridor): 12/12/20/1211**
- **DEA Ref No: (Port Elizabeth Substation):12/12/20/1213**

SiVEST submitted application forms and received the above reference numbers for the above mentioned project. The draft Environmental Impact report was submitted in November 2011.

In order to meet the growing need for power generation in the Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (NMBMM) and to avoid anticipated delays that might be caused by issues pertaining to the Nuclear power station at Thyspunt, the project proponent wish to split the Southern Corridor as follows:

- **Southern Corridor (Thuyspunt HV Yard to Port Elizabeth Substation) - Retain existing reference number (12/12/20/1211):**
 - 2 x Thuyspunt – Port Elizabeth 400kV transmission power lines
- **Southern Corridor (Port Elizabeth Substation to Grassridge and Port Elizabeth Substation to Dedisa) and Port Elizabeth Substation - Retain existing Port Elizabeth Substation reference number (12/12/20/1213) for the power lines and the substations as listed below:**
 - New Port Elizabeth Transmission Substation
 - Upgrade of Grassridge and Dedisa substation
 - 1 x Port Elizabeth – Grassridge 400kV Transmission Power Line
 - 1 x Port Elizabeth – Dedisa 400kV Transmission Power Line

APPLICATION FORM AMENDMENTS			
Current Project Name	DEA Reference Number	Project Name	Project Applicant
Eskom Thyspunt Transmission Lines Integration Project – Southern Corridor and Port Elizabeth Substation	12/12/20/1211	Southern Corridor (Thyspunt HV Yard to Port Elizabeth Substation) - 2 x Thyspunt – Port Elizabeth 400kV transmission power lines	Eskom Holdings (SOC) Ltd
	12/12/20/1213	Southern Corridor (Port Elizabeth Substation to Grassridge and Port Elizabeth Substation to Dedisa) and Port Elizabeth Substation	
REASON FOR AMENDMENTS	To meet the growing need for power generation in the Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (NMBMM) and to avoid anticipated delays that might be caused by issues pertaining to the Nuclear power station at Thyspunt		

As per the above table, SiVEST hereby re-submit amended application forms for the Thyspunt Southern Corridor and Port Elizabeth Substation which have already been allocated the following reference numbers:

- **DEA Ref No: (Southern Corridor): 12/12/20/1211**
- **DEA Ref No: (Port Elizabeth Substation):12/12/20/1213**

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries

Yours sincerely



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Encl: 1 x Amended Application Form for Environmental Authorisation (DEA Ref. No. 12/12/20/1211)
1 x Amended Application Form for Environmental Authorisation (DEA Ref. No. 12/12/20/1213)