**WRITTEN COMMENTS**

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Good day Mr Shai

Thank you for your advice about the consultation process to be followed in your area and the input relating to the social set up in that side of the country. I am writing to confirm that during our telephonic discussion you confirmed that:

* You represent Mashishimale CPA which owns some properties that are likely to be affected by the proposed power line
* You also confirmed receipt of the information sent through to you by our Public Participation Team. This information explain the project
* Our agreement was that you will assist in getting members of the Mashishimale CPA to come to a meeting wherein Diges Group and Eskom will present the scope of the project. The PP team will record your issues and comments and the responses that shall be given
* The meeting will take place on **08 February 2017 at 14H00**. You mentioned that you are adjacent to the Majeje Tribal Authority. We will be meeting the tribal authority from **10H00 to 12H00** and thereafter come to see the CPA.

Thank you once more for offering to help set up the meeting. This is about your environment.

Regards

Moses Mahlangu

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**COMMENTS:**

A meeting with the Mashishimale CPA was held on and the attendance register and the minutes of the meeting are included under Appendix D- Issues and comments raised are captured under the CRR

**From:** Lizelle Stroh [mailto:StrohL@caa.co.za]
**Sent:** 26 January 2017 11:30 AM
**To:** Calvin Netshaulu; Poppy Khoza
**Cc:** natcc@telkom.net; matobob@mtn.co.za; suzan.aidelomo@transnet.net
**Subject:** RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (ESKOM FOSKOR - SPENCER SUBSTATION AND POWERLINE PROJECT)

Good day Calvin, Your enquiry regarding comments from the SACAA with regard to power lines refers.

There is a SACAA process whereby permission is applied for with regards to obstacles which could pose an aviation hazard.  More information can be obtained at <http://www.caa.co.za>. Click on ‘Obstacles’ on the LHS. For administrative processing complete the application for obstacle approval on the SACAA website, links:  information for the industry; obstacle; forms: Application Part 139-27. Complete and submit on the from itself, it drops into our obstacle e-mail address, for the admin to provide you with an pro forma invoice, the payment will initiate the process.

* Kindly provide a **.kml (Google Earth) file reflecting the proposed overhead electric power line route(s).**
* Also indicate the **highest** structure of the project.
* *Please always use the proposed power line project name in the Subject box when corresponding via email with this office and indicate the name & address which should appear on the CAA approval/decline letter.*

Kind regards

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| **Lizell StrohObstacle InspectorPANS-OPS (Procedures for Air Navigation Services-Aircraft Operations)****Air Navigation Services****Tel:** 011 545 1232 **| Fax:** 011 545 1451 **| Cell:** 083 461 6660 **| Email:** strohl@caa.co.za **|** [www.caa.co.za](http://www.caa.co.za)Follow us on  Description: cid:image002.png@01D21D62.60F846D0  Description: cid:image003.png@01D21D62.60F846D0 Description: cid:image004.png@01D21D62.60F846D0  Description: cid:image010.png@01D21D65.90A6D240 |
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**COMMENTS**

The PPP Team appreciate the input in the form of a guide on how to apply for permission from SACAA regarding the project that might impact on the airspace. Eskom and the project manager from Eskom are advised to take this matter forward and start to process the necessary application

Dear Sir,

I attach the e-mail below I am not sure that you are the correct person to address this matter to but I have received no response from CalvinTN@telkomsa.net

Kind regards

Adrian G W Hayes

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**From:** Adrian Hayes [mailto:adrian@malapo.co.za]
**Sent:** 24 January 2017 09:16 AM
**To:** 'calvinTN@telkomsa.net'
**Subject:** FW: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT
**Importance:** High
**Sensitivity:** Confidential

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**Sent:** 20 January 2017 05:30 PM
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**Importance:** High
**Sensitivity:** Confidential

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Would you kindly send me the latest documentation you have on this matter

Kind regards

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**COMMENTS:**

Mr Hayes has since been provided with a set of BID with reply sheet. It is appreciated that Mr Hayes is actively participating in the study. His comments have been captured and responses are in the CRR.

Good Afternoon Mr. Mahlangu,

Regarding the proposed FOSKOR - SPENCER project;

We would like to register as an I&AP - the proposed powerline goes through our property.

Please advise how we register? Is there a form to be completed?

Kind Regards,

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**COMMENTS:**

Ms Louis Dhooge returned the registration form and is currently on the database of registered stakeholders. Ms Dhooge will receive all communications and will be invited to meetings

Good morning

Please send his number and email address.

Thank you

**From:** Pierre Labuschagne [mailto:info@henley26.co.za]
**Sent:** 31 January 2017 11:09 PM
**To:** Calvin Netshaulu
**Subject:** RE: Additional Information (Foskor - Spencer Eskom project)

Hi Calvin I see that you dont have a contact for Henley 34, I am in contact with the owner Mr Petrus van Heerden, I can send his no to you if required

Rgs

On 2017-01-31 08:52, Calvin Netshaulu wrote:

Much appreciated

**From:** Pierre Labuschagne [mailto:info@henley26.co.za]
**Sent:** 31 January 2017 08:42 AM
**To:** Calvin Netshaulu; delno@telkomsa.net
**Subject:** Re: Additional Information (Foskor - Spencer Eskom project)

On 2017-01-25 10:36, Calvin Netshaulu wrote:

Dear Stakeholder

Herewith kindly receive additional information relating to Eskom Transmission project in your area.

Regards

***Calvin Netshaulu***

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**RESPONSE:**

Mr Van Heerden has been contacted and is registered in the database

Moses

I have send all the documents to  my onsite managers.

As soon as you need access please let me know a week in advance then we will organize the people to accompany you

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| Regards |  |
| cid:image002.png@01D277CF.3C418C30 |  |

**From:** Moses Mahlangu [mailto:0824519560@vodamail.co.za]
**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 12:18 PM
**To:** Sarel Swart [HQP Sustainability] <Sarel.Swart@exxaro.com>
**Subject:** Information about the Proposed Eskom Project

Dear Mr Swart

I spoke to you about the proposed Eskom power line between the existing Foskor Substation in Phalaborwa and the Spencer Substation in Mohlabaneng. Attached here with is the Background Information Document relating to the project and a list of potentially affected farms. I am going to send you three maps in the next emails to give you an idea of which farms will be traversed by the proposed power line.

Hope you find this in order.

Regards

Moses Mahlangu

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**COMMENT:**

As a registered stakeholder, Mr Swart will constant receive feedback about the progress made in consultation process for the project and will be invited to meetings

Noted and much appreciated

**From:** Greal Ambani [mailto:Greal.Ambani@energy.gov.za]
**Sent:** 31 January 2017 10:57 AM
**To:** Calvin Netshaulu
**Subject:** Re: INVITATION TO ATTEND A FOCUS GROUP MEETING (ESKOM FOSKOR - SPENCER POWERLINE AND SUBSTATION PROJECT)

Good day.

We are currently committed.

Regards

Greal Ambani

Sent from my iPad

On 31 Jan 2017, at 9:17 AM, Calvin Netshaulu <calvinTN@telkomsa.net> wrote:

Dear Stakeholder

Could you please confirm your availability for the above meeting invitation.

Your participation is greatly valued.

Regards

Calvin

**From:** Calvin Netshaulu [mailto:calvinTN@telkomsa.net]
**Sent:** 27 January 2017 11:28 AM
**To:** 'yuza.siweya@dpw.gov.za'; 'mthombenirv@ledet.gov.za'; 'mabadah@dws.gov.za'; 'litholek@sac.limpopo.gov.za'; 'tshivhasesp@ral.co.za'
**Cc:** 'greal.ambani@energy.gov.za'; 'mokgaphaneMP@ledet.gov.za'; 'fwulimpopo@gmail.com'; 'hjmdavel@gmail.com'
**Subject:** INVITATION TO ATTEND A FOCUS GROUP MEETING (ESKOM FOSKOR - SPENCER POWERLINE AND SUBSTATION PROJECT)

Dear Key Stakeholder

You have been identified as the stakeholder in the Environmental Impact Assessment process for the above project. We are writing to invite you to a meeting to be held as follows:

Place:     Mopani District Municipality office in Giyani, Government Building, Main Road Giyani, 0826

Venue:   Conference hall

Date:      10 February 2017

Time:      10h00am

**Yours Faithful**

**NC Netshaulu**

**COMMENT:**

As indicated in the email addresses above, government officials representing different government departments were invited to the Focus Group meeting but unfortunately they did not attend. At least Greal Ambani apologized. The PP Team will continue to send information government officials that are in the database**.**

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**From:** Moses Mahlangu [mailto:delno@telkomsa.net]
**Sent:** 16 January 2017 04:34 PM
**To:** boulders@lantic.net
**Subject:** Proposed Eskom Project

Good day Mr Scarterfield

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**COMMENT:**

Objection from Mr Scaterfield is noted. The EAP and Eskom are requested to give response to the issue of underground cabling. The EAP is also encouraged to visit the site so as to have a view of the landing strip. The PP Team believe that responses to Mr Scaterfield’s concerns will be in the Draft Scoping Report

Dear Mr Pretorius

Diges Group commission a field officer who used different methods to identify landowners that are potentially affected by the proposed project. It is possible that your property might not be affected. It is, however, important to note that as a  landowner in the study area or as a neighbour to landowners that are going to be directly impacted by the power line it is advisable to remain in the database and continue to receive information on the project.

I am herewith sending a list of landowners that are in the study area according to the information gathered by our field worker. I ask that you go through it and see if you are not included. The accuracy of the map might not be as accurate as we want it to be. I urge you to remain in the database.

Hope you continue to participate in the study process and we believe your contribution will add value

Regards

Moses Mahlangu

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**From:** Calvin Netshaulu [mailto:calvinTN@telkomsa.net]
**Sent:** 25 January 2017 09:47 AM
**To:** 'Moses Mahlangu'
**Subject:** FW: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT

Please email below and advise on the way forward.

**From:** P Pretorius & Kinders [mailto:rondawel@mweb.co.za]
**Sent:** 23 January 2017 02:23 PM
**To:** 'Calvin Netshaulu'
**Subject:** RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT

Hi Calvin

We have perused the maps that you sent to us for the upgrading of the Spencer Eskom Project for P Pretorius & Kinders Edms Bpk at farm Die Rondawel Ged La Cotte.   It does not seem as though we are stakeholders.  According to the maps it will miss our farms.

Could you please advise us if you disagree.   Please contant Elize van der Pypekamp at 079-4913235

Rose

Accountant

P Pretorius & Kinders Edms Bpk

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**From:** Calvin Netshaulu [mailto:calvinTN@telkomsa.net]
**Sent:** 13 January 2017 01:11 PM
**To:** info@modjadjiroyal.co.za; tcshai@webmail.co.za; zelda.vermeulen@tsarhotels.co.za; bipatimaenetja@yahoo.com; juaan.slabbert@gmail.com; hjmdavel@gmail.com; leon@malati.co.za
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**Subject:** PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT

Dear Stakeholder

Diges has been appointed by Eskom to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the proposed construction of new 400kV Transmission Powerline between Foskor and Spencer Substations  and expansion of Spencer substation in Mopani district municipality, Limpopo Province. You have been identified as one of the affected landowner. Herewith attached is BID, Letter and Maps.

Your participation is greatly valued.

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**COMMENT:**

It is important to note that although emails with information relating to this project were sent to a large number of landowners, only few landowners responded. Landowners in the neighbourhood of the power line (buffer) were encouraged to participate.

 Dear Moses,

Thank you for your timely response. I have already sent confirmation documents duly completed to you and Calvin.

Have a good day.

  Kind regards

Adrian Hayes

Sent from Samsung tablet

-------- Original message --------
From: Moses Mahlangu <0824519560@vodamail.co.za>
Date: 25/01/2017 10:34 (GMT+02:00)
To: 'Adrian Hayes' <adrian@malapo.co.za>
Cc: calvinTN@telkomsa.net
Subject: RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT

Good day Mr Hayes

Thank you for your response and we would like to apologize for taking time to respond. Our emails were down and I will communicate your participation to Calvin. You will be included in the database of landowners.

I am also sending you a list of potentially affected landowners because some people prefer to work from the list instead of a map. Please note that meetings with landowners will be held in March/April 2017 and you will soon  be advised about the dates and venues.

We look forward to your continued participation in the study process

Regards

Moses Mahlangu

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**From:** Adrian Hayes [mailto:adrian@malapo.co.za]
**Sent:** 25 January 2017 09:55 AM
**To:** delno@telkomsa.net
**Subject:** FW: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED FOSKOR - SPENCER ESKOM PROJECT
**Importance:** High
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**COMMENT:**

Mr Hayes was provided with relevant information and is registered as a stakeholder

We will soon arrange meetings with landowners in the study area and you will also be invited.

Thank you

**From:** Richard Arends [mailto:arends@lantic.net]
**Sent:** 25 January 2017 03:34 PM
**To:** delno@telkomsa.net; calvinTN@telkomsa.net
**Subject:** Registration as I&AP

ATT: Moses Mahlangu**, Calvin Netshaulu,**

Dear Moses, Calvin,

Please find attached the complete I&AP form completed.

I sincerely hope that the proposed powerline is not going via Grietjie Nature Reserve. I have very recently purchased there and hate to think I am losing my investment.

Surely there are better places for the powerline to be constructed then through a nature reserve??

Anyway, please do add me to the list of I&AP and keep up us up to date with the developments.

Best Regards,

Richard Arends

Cell:       +27 (0) 72 220 6326

**RESPONSE:**

Mr Richard Arends is registered in the database. Unfortunately the power line has to be constructed somewhere for the benefit of the country. Diges Group appointed several specialists to investigate the potential impacts of the proposed power line on the receiving environment. In most cases efforts are made to try and reduce the impacts of the power line in the receiving environment. If the power line is going to traverse your property it is hoped that mitigation measures will be put in place to reduce the impacts

Good day Mr. Mahlangu

The presentation states the following not verbatim quoted:

* Installed capacity of 2 X 250MVA transformers at the substation
* The substation is loaded at 315MVA and as thus has reached its maximum capacity

My submission to the meeting:

* The total installed capacity is 500MVA (2 X 250MVA)
* The substation cannot be said to have reached its maximum capacity if it is loaded at 315MVA
* There is still 125MVA spare capacity in the sub . The substation is loaded at 63%
* Unless the presentation was referring to firm capacity then I would understand but also its over by 13%.

I trust I clarified the matter but I can be engaged further should a need arise

**Kind Regards,**

**Bheki Tshawe | Assistant Director: Electrical**

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**GREATER LETABA MUNICIPALITY**

**From:** Moses Mahlangu [mailto:delno@telkomsa.net]
**Sent:** 14 February 2017 04:03 PM
**To:** Bheki Tshawe
**Subject:** Request for Your Input re: Eskom Project

Good day Mr Tshwane

You attended a focus group meeting regarding the proposed Eskom power line in your area on the 10th of February 2017. During the open discussion session you posed a question regarding the 500MVA and 315MVA (not sure if I understood you well). I struggled to record your question for the purpose of minutes. You offered to send me your question in writing. I am writing to remind you to please make time to compile your question and send it through to me

Regards

Moses Mahlangu

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**COMMENT:**

The questions raised by Mr Tshawe have been forwarded to Eskom for response. It is hoped that the response will be in the CRR.

Dear Mr Potgieter

Thank you for your response in the email below. My understanding is that SANDF owns/occupies a number of farm portions in the study area. You are correct is saying that it will help if we can understand your operations and your concerns about the potential impacts of this project on your properties. I will speak to the project leader and see if she can come and see you and your team when she is in the study area. We will soon arrange meetings with landowners in the study area and you will also be invited.

For now kindly see my response included in your email below.

**From:** Hannes Potgieter [mailto:hannesenviro@gmail.com]
**Sent:** 23 January 2017 01:22 PM
**To:** delno@telkomsa.net; Adri Liebenberg; Hennie Davel; RWU Limpopo; Lt Col Maarten Van Jaarsveld; Col Weilbach
**Subject:** Scoping and EIA for Proposed Transmission Power Line between Foskor and Spencer

Margen Industrial Services (PPP Specialists), in colaboration with Diges Group (EAP)

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Mr Moses Mahlangu

BID and supporting maps, relating to the  Scoping and EIA for Proposed Transmission Power Line between Foskor and Spencer, which was forwarded to this office refers.

The BID is not clear whether the various route corridors illustrated on the map are alternatives from which a single corridor will be chosen or whether all the illustrated corridors will be developed. The various corridors, each with a buffer of 3km are alternatives. Only one 400kV power line is going to be built in the corridor/route that will be recommended as a preferred route and submitted to DEA for consideration.

The Department of Defence (DOD) requires this information to enable the drafting of a response to the BID.  The DOD is of the opinion that it will be to the project proponent's advantage to obtain the DOD's response to the proposed project as early as possible in the Environmental Authorisation process. Your advice is noted and your input early in the study process will be greatly appreciated.

Please also furnish this office with the application reference number for the Scoping and EIA issued by the relevant Competent Authority. The Competent Authority will only give us a reference number once we submit a Draft Scoping Report with the application. At this stage we do not have DEA Ref number.

Kind regards

**Lt Col Hannes (J.H.J.) Potgieter***Pr.Sci.Nat*

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**COMMENT:**

Responses to questions raised by the defence force are included in the email above. SANDF was also represented at the Focus Group meeting held in Tzaneen on the 10th of February 2017. It is hoped that the EAP will consider the concerns of SANDF when deciding the final route.