

ANNEXURE D

Letter from DWAF re availability of water



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Attention: Mr Alwyn van der Merwe

Dear Sir


WATER SUPPLY TO PROPOSED NEW POWER STATIONS IN THE INTEGRATED VAAL RIVER SYSTEM

Please refer to your letter, with reference 708369, dated 24 May 2006, as well as subsequent discussions held between the Department's Mr Seef Rademeyer and Eskom's Messrs Hein Hoffman and Alwyn van der Merwe on the above matter.

The Department is aware of the two proposed new power station developments in the Integrated Vaal River System (IVRS). As a result we have already made provision for the availability of the water that will be required in future by the two new power stations near the existing Kendal and Lethabo Power Stations.

The Department is committed to collaborate with Eskom by attending the public and key stakeholder meetings in support of the Environmental Impact Assessment process to be held in future. We request that the dates for the afore-mentioned meetings be made available to us as soon as possible in order to ensure our attendance. Our Gauteng Regional Office will be responsible for this liaison (we are aware of the fact that you have already contacted the Regional Office's Mr Walther van der Westhuizen in this regard). If you are of the opinion that our Chief Directorate of Integrated Water Resource Planning should also be involved, we suggest that you contact Mr Seef Rademeyer in this regard.

Yours faithfully


 Director-General
 Date: 31/7/2006

Cc *Regional Director: Gauteng (Attention: Mr Walther van der Westhuizen)*
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