



Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Waste Licensing Application for the Proposed Continuous Ashing Activities at Tutuka Power Station

**Focus Group Meeting – Lekwa Local
Municipality**

Die Kliphuis

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Purpose of the Meeting

- Provide I&AP's with information regarding:
 - The proposed project
 - The EIA process to date
 - How to get involved in the project
 - Findings of the Scoping Study
- Provide I&AP's with the opportunity to raise issues regarding the potential impacts of the project on the environment
- Invite I&APs to register on the project database
- Provide an opportunity for I&AP's to interact with the project team





Conduct of the Meeting

- Focus on issues at hand
- Equal opportunity
- Cell phones on silent
- Work through the facilitator
- Speak in language of choice



Role Players

	Lidwala Consulting Engineers (SA) (Pty) Ltd • Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner
	Imaginative Africa • Public Participation Consultant
	Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd – Generation Division Tutuka Power Station • Applicant
	Department of Environmental Affairs • Lead Decision-maker for the Environmental Authorization Application
	Interested and Affected Parties • Raise comments and issues regarding the proposed project for inclusion in the relevant documentation
	Commenting Authorities • MDEDET, • DWA • SAHRA • DAFF • DMR, etc..





Responsibilities

Lidwala Consulting Engineers (SA) (Pty) Ltd (EAP):

- Be independent with no vested interest
- Have the necessary qualifications & experience
- Responsible for EIA process, information & reports
- Provide relevant & objective information to the Authorities, the I&APs & the Applicant
- Ensure Public Participation Process (PPP) is undertaken
- Ensure all issues raised are addressed or responded to



Responsibilities

Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (Applicant):

- Appoint suitable, independent consultants
- Ensure adequate resources are available to conduct an effective, efficient & equitable EIA
- Ensure that the Consultants are provided with all relevant information to undertake the EIA effectively
- Ensure that the Consultant provides all relevant information to the Authorities





Responsibilities

Relevant Environmental Authority (National DEA):

- Efficient & expedient in evaluating proposals
- Compliance with regulatory requirements
- Inter-departmental co-operation & consultation
- Consultation with the Applicant & the Consultant
- Evaluation/review & decision-making
- Requiring sufficient detail to make informed decisions




Responsibilities

Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs)



- Provide input & comment during various stages of the EIA process
 - Identify issues & alternatives
 - Review of reports
 - Draft Scoping Report (DSR)
 - Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
 - Waste License Report
- Provide input & comment within specific timeframes





What does the Project Entail?

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Problem Statement

- The current main dump operation will run out of space by September 2028
- The position three standby ash dump will run out of space by December 2016.
- If standby dump positions 4,5 and 6 are used, then it will run out of space by 2020.
- The main spreader requires outages for major repairs.
- The existing emergency ash handling area at the Power Station is too small.

