INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE

• PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A 765 KV EXTENSION OF THE HYDRA SUBSTATION; AND

• THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL 765 KV TRANSMISSION POWER LINE BETWEEN THE PROPOSED EXTENDED HYDRA SUBSTATION AND GAMMA SUBSTATION NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (Proposed portion: Linking south east of De Aar with the proposed Perseus-Gamma 765 kV Transmission power line, to Gamma substation: Approximately 130km in length)

Bohlweki Environmental has been appointed by Eskom Transmission to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations published in Government Notice R385 of 21 April 2006.

This EIA project, in particular, will address the proposed extension of the 765 kV Hydra Substation and the proposed construction of an additional 765 kV Transmission power line, approximate distance of 130 km in length between the extended Hydra Substation and the Gamma Substation, linking with the proposed Perseus-Gamma 765 kV Transmission power line.

Please find enclosed the Background Information Document for your comment, which briefly describes the proposed project, the environmental aspects that need to be investigated and the proposed public participation process. You are welcome to contribute any comments, concerns or suggestions for enhanced/mutual benefits regarding this proposed project.

We will appreciate your participation and inputs. Please contact either Prashika Reddy or myself should you require any further information at this stage.

Kind regards

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