

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A 765kV EXTENSION OF THE HYDRA SUBSTATION AND THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL 765kV TRANSMISSION POWER LINE BETWEEN THE PROPOSED EXTENDED HYDRA SUBSTATION (near De Aar) AND GAMMA SUBSTATION (near Victoria West), NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE (Ref No: 12/12/20/871)

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT EIA REPORT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

As part of the EIA process, published in Government Notice No. R.386 and No. R387 of 2006 in terms of Section 24 (5) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act no 107 of 1998) for the above listed project, all Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP's) are hereby notified of the availability of the Draft EIA report. The report will be available for review and comments for a period of 14 days from Friday, **1 June 2007** to Thursday, **14 June 2007**. The report will set out the findings, recommendations and mitigation measures of the specialist studies that have been conducted thus far and will also be available for download on Eskom's website (www.eskom.co.za/eia). Hard copies of the draft EIA report will also be made available at the following public venues:

- Offices of Bohlweki Environmental (Country Club Estate, Woodmead)
- Pixley Ka Seme District Municipal Offices, Culvert Road, De Aar
- Emthantjeni Local Municipal Offices, 45 Voortrekker Street, De Aar
- De Aar Public Library, 42 Stasie Street, De Aar
- Libra Library, Blossom Street, De Aar
- Phandulwazi Library, 3rd Street, Nonzwakazi
- BKB Beperk, 42 Jenny Street, De Aar
- Ubuntu Local Municipal Offices, 78 Church Street, Victoria West
- Victoria West Public Library, Church Street, Victoria West
- Local Municipal Offices, Loop Street, Richmond

Please forward your **written comments** on the draft EIA report to the Public Participation Consultants below, before or on Thursday **14 June 2007**.

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