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### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

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Dear Interested and Affected Party

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS: PROPOSED 400kV ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION LINE BETWEEN ORANJEMOND AND JUNO SUBSTATIONS AND THE UPGRADING OF THESE SUBSTATIONS (KUDU INTEGRATION PROJECT)

As you may be aware, Eskom Transmission is proposing to construct a 400kV power line from Nampower's proposed Kudu gas-fired power station near Oranjemund in Namibia to the Juno substation near Vredendal in the Western Cape, in order to supply electricity to the Western Cape.

Eskom Transmission has appointed Strategic Environmental Focus (SEF) as independent environmental consultants to manage the environmental impact assessment (EIA) process to assess the environmental impacts of this proposed power line. SEF is responsible for compiling an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that will be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism for decision-making. The Western Cape's Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and the Northern Cape Department of Tourism, Environment and Conservation will also provide an input to this decision.

SEF has completed the Scoping phase of the EIA process, and are now embarking on the EIA phase. The DEAT approved SEF's Scoping Report and provided approval of the Plan of Study for EIA, thus allowing SEF to proceed to the compilation of an EIR.

Since the completion of the Scoping report, a number of alternative alignments of the proposed power line have been suggested in order to mitigate the impacts thereof. This has resulted in additional potentially interested and affected parties being identified. Thus, SEF is informing you, as a directly affected / neighbouring landowner, of the EIA process and inviting you to participate in this process.

The draft EIR will be made available for public comment from 20 November 2006 to 22 January 2007. The report will be made available at the following venues in the affected area

Venue	Conta	Contact person and number	
Port Nolloth Municipal Office	Alta Kotze	(027) 851 1111	
Springbok Library	S. Victor	(027) 718 8136	
Kamieskroon Post Office	Daleen	(027) 672 1627	
Garies Post Office/OK Foods	Chris-Mari	(027) 652 1157	
Vanrynsdorp Post Office	Roeleen	(027) 219 1113	

The report will also be available on the Eskom website: www.eskom.co.za

Should you want to attend a meeting detailing the findings of the draft Environmental Impact Report, please tick the appropriate on the next page and and send the filled in page back to SEF (Fax no: (021) 979 3830 **OR** post to P. O. Box 1330, Durbanville, 7551) no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2007. We will inform you in January, based on the responses received from interested and affected parties, whether the meetings will be held and if so, the venues, dates and times of the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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Yes

I feel it necessary for a meeting to be held and will attend this meeting should it

take place.		•	No	
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Cellphone no.				
E-mail address				
Fax no.				
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My property / the portion of the route that is of concern to me:				