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PER EMAIL / MAIL

Dear Mr Stapelberg

EXTENSION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 23 APRIL 2010 FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE KUSILE RAILWAY ROUTE FROM KUSILE POWER STATION TO THE EXISTING PRETORIA-WITBANK RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG PROVINCES

Your application received by this Department on 23 March 2015 regarding the extension of the validity period of the Environmental Authorisation issued on 23 April 2010 has refers.

Based on a review of the reason for requesting an amendment to the above EA, this Department, in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, has decided to amend the EA dated, 23 April 2010 as follows:

The extension is subject to the following conditions:

- i. The activity must commence within a period of three (3) years from the date of expiry of the EA issued on 23 April 2010, now extended to 23 April 2018. If commencement of the activity does not occur within that period, the authorisation lapses and a new application for environmental authorisation must be made in order for the activity to be undertaken.
- ii. The correspondence is only for the extension of the validity period as stated herein above and all conditions set out in the original Environmental Authorisation dated 23 April 2010 remain unchanged and must be adhered to.

This letter must be read in conjunction with the EA dated 23 April 2010.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (the Regulations), you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within 14 (fourteen) days of the date of the Department's decision in respect of the amendment made as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the Regulations.

Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of Government Notice No. R.993, which prescribes the appeal procedure to be followed.

An appellant must submit an appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the competent authority.

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If the applicant wishes to lodge an appeal, it must also serve a copy of the notice of intention to appeal on all registered interested and affected parties as well as a notice indicating where, and for what period, the appeal submission will be available for inspection, should you intend to submit an appeal.

Appeals must be submitted in writing to:

Mr Z Hassam Director: Appeals and Legal Review, of this Department at the above mentioned addresses or fax number. Mr Hassam can also be contacted at:

Telephone number: (012) 399 9355 / 9356
Email address: AppealsDirectorate@environment.gov.za

For guidance on appeals submitted to the Minister in terms of NEMA and the SEMAs, please find a copy of the guideline on the administration of appeals on the Department's website: (https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations).

Kindly include a copy of this document with the letter of notification to interested and affected parties.

Yours sincerely


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Date: 7/4/2015

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