

Public Notice

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME AND CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE MEDUPI POWER STATION PROJECT AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (DFFE REF NO. CEMP REV 2, 2010/12/20/695, 14/12/16/3/3/93 AND 14/12/16/3/3/1/531) IN LIMPOPO ON THE FARM NAAUWONTKOMEN 509 LQ AND FARM EENZAAMHEID 687 LQ WITHIN LEPHALALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

Notice is given in terms of Regulation 37 (GNR 982) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, published under sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998, as amended, for submission of applications for an amendment in terms of a Part I Amendment Process described in Regulation 29.

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The main objective of Eskom Holdings (SOC) Limited is to provide energy and related services, including the generation, transmission, distribution, and supply of electricity. To be able to provide for the growing electricity demand adequately, Eskom proposed to construct the Medupi Power Station and associated infrastructure (including a coal stockpile) in the Lephalale area. In 2006, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (the DFFE) issued a Record of Decision (Ref. No. 12/12/20/695) for the proposed construction of the Medupi Power Station and associated infrastructure. In addition, the project also holds Water Use Licences (Ref. No. 01/A1042H/ABCEFGI/5213 Version: 01-2020 and 07/A42H/IIG/6425 Version: 01-2020) issued by the Department of Water and Sanitation Limpopo Regional Office.

Because of delays in the commissioning of the power station, a need to establish an additional coal stockyard to accommodate the coal supplied was identified. This coal stockyard was proposed within the footprint of the authorised ash dump and was authorised by the DFFE in July 2012 (Ref No. 14/12/16/3/1/531). An excess coal stockyard (coal stockyard at the ash dump footprint) is located on the western portion of the north ash dump, requiring additional pollution control dams to contain stormwater. Eskom then applied for and was issued an Environmental Authorisation in June 2014 (Ref. No. 14/12/16/3/2/666).

The proponent, Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (Eskom), now wishes to amend the abovementioned Environmental Management Plans/Programmes (DFFE Ref No. 14/12/16/3/3/1/531, CEMP Rev 2, 2010 Ref No. 12/12/20/695 and EMPr Ref No. 14/12/16/3/3/93). The proposed changes do not change the scope of the valid environmental authorisations or trigger new listed activities in terms of the application for an amendment to the EMPr in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, as amended, and the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (the Regulations). The project is located in Limpopo on the Farm Naauwontkome 509 LQ and Farm Eenzaamheid 687 LQ within Lephalale Local Municipality.

REGISTRATION

Eskom's Medupi Power Station is undertaking a CEMP and EMPr amendment process. Parties wishing to formally register as interested and affected parties to receive more information and/or raise their comment(s) on the proposed project are requested to forward their full contact details to the Medupi Environmental Team and disclose their direct business, financial, personal, or other interest in the project. Any comments on the proposed project may be submitted to the project via the details provided below. Affected parties will be forwarded all future project-related correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT CEMP AND EMPr'S AMENDMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft CEMP Rev 3 and EMPr's amendment report will be made available at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **28 July 2022 to 28 August 2022**.

- Mogol Golf Club;
- Ellisras Public Library;
- Marapong Public Library; and
- <https://www.eskom.co.za/OurCompany/SustainableDevelopment/EnvironmentalImpactAssessments/MedupiAmendment/Pages/default.aspx>

Kindly ensure that all comments on the proposed project or requests to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party are submitted to the contact details provided herewith by **28 August 2022**. Should you have any queries/comments, please do not hesitate to contact the Medupi Power Station Environmental Department on the contact details mentioned below.

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