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INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED NEW 400KV POWERLINES DEVELOPMENT AND AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHARDS BAY, KWAZULUNATAL PROVINCE

Project Name

» Richards Bay Eskom East Coast Gas Power Station Power Lines (4 x 400kV)

Applicant:

» Eskom Holdings SoC Ltd (Eskom)

Proposed Activity: Eskom proposes to construct 4X 400kv power lines to transmit power generated at the new proposed Combined Cycle Power Plant (CCPP) with a generating capacity of up to 3000MW.

The project scope:

- Upgrade all applicable 400 kV underrated switchgear;
- Install 4 Fault limiting rectors at the 132 kV side of the transformers at Athene substation;
- Loop into Athene- Invubu and Athene Umfolozi 400 kV lines and construct 4 x 400 kV 12 km lines to the PS substation;
- Establish 400 kV double busbar with 2 bus couplers, 4 bus sections and transfer bus at the PS substation;
- Equip 4 x 400 kV feeder bays at the PS substation;
- Equip (x) x 400 kV transformer bays at the PS substation
- Establish control room and 400 kV yard with associated equipment, fencing and earthworks for the 400 kV yard

Location: The proposed power lines will start at the CCPP on Portion 2 and Portion 4 of Erf 11376 which is situated within Phase 1D of the Richards Bay Industrial Development Zone (RIDZ) located approximately 6km south west of Richards Bay and 4km south west of Alton.

The power lines are required to loop into the following current approved powerlines:

- Athene- Invubu;
- Athene Umfolozi.

The loop into is proposed at either:

- Athene Substation which is approximate 6km due West of the start point or;
- Invubu Substation which is approximate 10km due North of the start point.

Within the City of uMhlathuze Local Municipality which falls within jurisdiction of the King Cetshwayo District Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal Province.

Application for Environmental Authorisation: In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended on 07 April 2017, of GN R324, R325 to GN R327, a Scoping and EIA is required to be undertaken for the proposed project.

Public Involvement Process: Ekolnfo CC is undertaking the required environmental assessment and public participation process. To obtain further information and register for the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project, in writing, to Ekolnfo on or before **2 November 2018.**

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NONTUTHUKO NGUBANE

MPETHA womsubathi uBongmusa Mthembu uthe ubefisa ukuhlonishwa kukhona unina kwi-Old Mutual Spirit of Comrades Award 2018.

Umcimbi obuwukhazikhazi ubuse-Langeni Hotel eThekwini ngoLwesihlanu ebusuku.

UMthembu uthe yize ekujabulela ukuhlonishwa ngokuba umpetha emjahweni ka-2018 kodwa bekungamjabulisa kakhulu ukuba unina ubekhona ambone ehlonishwa.

"Umndeni wami uyaziqhenya ngami. Umama wami bengifisa ukuba abekhona namhlanje angibone ngifakwa leli bhantshi lompetha phambi kwabantu, manje akwenzekanga ngenxa yokuthi akaphilile kahle njengoba esengumuntu okhulile ngeminyaka. Ubefisa naye ukuzobona ingane yakhe ihlonishwa," kusho uMthembu.

UMthembu uthe umndeni wakhe ose-Bulwer ubaluleke kakhulu ngoba iwona omseka kakhulu uma eziqeqesha noma sekufike ilanga lemijaho.

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ngokuba umpetha kuyamgqugquzela futhi kumenza afise ukuphinde enze kahle kulo mjaho.

Ubonge nabanye abasubathi abenza ukuthi abe ngumpetha.

"Ngiyabonga kakhulu kubasubathi abangenela lo mjaho ngoba yibona abenza uBongmusa abe umpetha. Ngaphandle kwabo ngabe ayikho iComrades," kusho uMthembu.

UMthembu uthe ngonyaka ozayo njengoba umsubathi ozodla umhlanganiso ezothola imali engaphezu kukaR1 million kuzobe kuqhudelwana ngempela.

"Kuzobe kuyimpi. Sonke sifuna isicoco ngonyaka ozayo njengoba nomklomela umuhle kangaka," kuhleka uMthembu.

UMthembu uhlonishwe nozakwabo wesifazane owadla umhlanganiso, u-Ann Ashworth obengekho emcimbini.

Kuklonyeliswe nentatheli evelele uMatshelane Mamabolo esebenzela i-Independent Media eGoli. Abanye abanconywe ngeqhaza labo kwiComrades kube uDean Wight noGrant Cummings ngokuqoqa imali edlule kuR300 000 umuntu emunye. Kuhlonishwe nabanye emcimbini.

