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Interested and Affected Party / Property Owner

DEAT REF NO.: 12/9/11/L300/P5/A20

Dear Sir / Madam

INVITATION TO COMMENT: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED DECOMMISSIONING OF A WASTE ROCK DUMP AT MATIMBA POWER STATION, LEPHALALE, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

Eskom Holdings Ltd proposes closure of existing rock waste dump site at Matimba power station in Lephalale, Limpopo Province.

Matimba Power Station is situated approximately 15km northwest from the town of Lephalale in Limpopo Province. The Rock Dump located on the site is currently not in use; therefore Matimba Power Station requires it to be decommissioned. In order to comply with relevant legal requirements for decommission the rock dump will require a closure permit and associated Basic Assessment Process.

Eskom Holdings Ltd has appointed Envirolution Consulting (Pty) Ltd, an independent environmental consultant, to conduct the Environmental Impact Assessment which aims to identify and assess all potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed project; as well as identify and propose mitigation measures in an Environmental Management Plan (EMP). Included is the public participation process which aims at addressing concerns / issues raised by the public in regard to the proposed project.

Notice is given in terms of Regulations published in Government Notice R. 718 in Government Gazette No. 32368 of 03 July 2009, under Section 19(1) of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No.59 of 2008), as amended, that Eskom Holdings Ltd proposes closure of existing rock waste dump site at Matimba power station in Lephalale, Limpopo Province, for the following listed activity:

Category A:

Construction, expansion or decommissioning of facilities and associated structures and infrastructure

This project has been registered with the National Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism under Application Reference Number **12/9/11/L300/P5/A20**.

An Environmental Impact Assessment is being conducted to ensure that the environmental impacts that may be associated with the proposed construction are taken into consideration; interested and affected parties (I&APs) have an opportunity to comment by providing issues of concern and/or suggestions for enhanced benefits and/or alternatives; and to ensure that the competent authority, the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, has sufficient information to make a decision.

Should you wish to participate in the EIA by contributing issues of concern/comments, please register as an I&AP by completing the enclosed Registration and Comment Sheet **on or before Friday, 25 September 2009**.

Meanwhile, should you have any questions, or would like to obtain more information, please feel free to contact myself at Tel: 0861 444 499, Fax: 0861 626 222 or E-mail: nkhensani@envirolution.co.za.

We look forward to receiving your comments!

Yours sincerely,

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