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Dear Dr Heinsohn

RE: Proposed Gamma Sub-station EIA: 12/12/20/873 - wetland specialist study

Upon review (based on an aerial survey on 14 February 2007 and a ground survey on 17 May 2007) of the proposed areas for the Gamma Sub-station (Uit Vlucht Fontein No. 233 and Schietkuil No. 3) it appears that there are no wetland or riverine areas that will be directly impacted by the construction and operation of the planned sub-station. The probability that a wetland or riverine area would be impacted is low at a medium confidence level.

Within the proposed sub-station areas there are a few intermittent streams that should be avoided if they fall within the transportation pathways during the construction phase of the project. Any impact would be short term but could have a medium impact on a stream if care is not taken to mitigate the possible impacts. Heavy machinery should be directed around these systems, or the use of existing bridges or crossing points encouraged, in order to prevent damage to already fragile and erosive systems.

If you have any further queries please contact me.

Sincerely,

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