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PER FACSIMILE / MAIL

Dear Ms Seabe

EXTENSION OF VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED ON 27 OCTOBER 2008 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 2 X 765kV GAMMA-GRASSRIDGE TRANSMISSION POWER LINES AND THE GRASSRIDGE SUB-STATION, EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Your letter dated 22 June 2012 and received by this Department on the 02 July 2012, requesting for an extension of the validity period of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) of the abovementioned project issued by this Department on 27 October 2008 refers.

With reference to the abovementioned letter for the extension of the EA; please be advised that the Department has decided to grant an extension of the EA issued on 27 October 2008 for the construction of 2 x 765kV Gamma to Grassridge transmission powerlines and the Grassridge Substation.

The extension is subject to the following conditions:

1. The activity must commence within a period of three (3) years from the date of signature of this letter. 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.
2. The correspondence is only for the extension of the validity period as stated herein above and all conditions set out in the Minister's decision dated 08 February 2010 and the original Environmental Authorisation dated 27 October 2008 remain unchanged and must be adhered to.

Yours faithfully

Mr Mark Gordon
Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Environmental Affairs

Date: 8 OCTOBER 2012