



## environmental affairs

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### **PER EMAIL / MAIL**

Dear Mr Zungu

### **AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF 132KV ESKOM GUTSHWA SUBSTATION AND 11.4KM 132KV CHICKADEE POWER LINE WITHIN THE MBOMBELA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**

The Environmental Authorisation (EA) dated 31 October 2013 for the abovementioned project and your application for amendment to the EA received by this Department on 28 September 2016, refers.

Based on a review of the reasons for requesting a change to the approved site substation (Gutshwa substation site) for the Environmental Authorisation dated 31 October 2013, this Department, in terms of Chapter 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, has decided to amend/relocate the approved substation site, as follows:

#### **From:**

Approved Gutshwa substation site (GPS co-ordinates: 25° 16' 23.73" S, 31° 10' 35.37" E).

#### **To:**

New Gutshwa substation site which is located on Portion 0 of Farm Gutshwa 623 UJ (GPS co-ordinates: 25° 15' 55.2" S, 31° 10' 27.7" E).

The approved Gutshwa site substation needed to be relocated/moved to the new proposed site substation because the area which was initially approved has now been allocated to the community by the Traditional Authority (Gutshwa traditional council) to utilize for construction of houses

This letter must be read in conjunction with the Environmental Authorisation dated 31 October 2013.

In terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (the Regulations), you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing and within 14 (fourteen) days of the date of the Department's decision in respect of the amendment made as well as the provisions regarding the submission of appeals that are contained in the Regulations.

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Your attention is drawn to Chapter 2 of Government Notice No. R.993, which prescribes the appeal procedure to be followed.

An appellant must submit an appeal to the appeal administrator, and a copy of the appeal to the applicant, any registered interested and affected party and any organ of state with interest in the matter within 20 days from the date that the notification of the decision was sent to the applicant by the competent authority.

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By hand: Environment House  
473 Steve Biko Road,  
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**Appeals must be submitted in writing to:**

Mr Z Hassam, Director: Appeals and Legal Review, of this Department at the above mentioned addresses. Mr Hassam can also be contacted at:

Tel: (012) 399 9356  
Email: Appealsdirector@environment.gov.za

For guidance on appeals submitted to the Minister in terms of NEMA and the SEMAs, please find a copy of the guideline on the administration of appeals on the Department's website:

[https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal\\_authorisations](https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations)

Kindly include a copy of this document with the letter of notification to interested and affected parties.

Yours faithfully



**Mr Sabelo Malaza**  
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**Department of Environmental Affairs**

Date: 22/11/2016

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