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Attention: Mr Vincent Chauke

Dear Mr Malaza/ Mr Chauke

Date:

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: INSTALLATION OF A 132KV OVERHEAD POWER LINE FROM THE EXISTING OUTENIQUA SUBSTATION TO THE EXISTING OUDTSHOORN SUBSTATION, EDEN DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE (DEA REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/613/AM2)

Your e-mail dated 3 August 2017 requesting additional information on the amendment application for the Oudtshoorn-Outeniqua project refers.

It is usually the case that we ask the EIA Consultants and Specialists to assess a broader area when doing their assessment, to minimize the need to have to return to site and additional assessments in the event that Eskom needs to make minor route adjustments (once engineering design has finalized their design and technical feasibility studies).

I have requested the EAP that was involved in the project to confirm whether the area where the deviation is proposed was covered in their assessment as requested by you on 3 August 2017.

The EAP has confirmed in writing that the proposed deviation falls within a 100meter corridor that was assessed for the EIA for the proposed powerline, and has confirmed with all the specialists involved telephonically on 4 August 2017 that there is no need to re-assess the area.

I trust this information satisfies your request sufficiently to enable you to favorably conclude our application for a Part1 Amendment to aforementioned project.

Find attached letter from the EAP. This correspondence has been sent to you in hardcopy via courier today, hopefully it will reach DEA by Monday 07 August 2017. Kindly confirm receipt hereof.

Yours sincerely

Justine Wyngaardt

LAND DEVELOPMENT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER