

16 February 2024

Our ref: 1495/SK/jw

To whom it may concern

Dear Sir or Madam:

NOTIFICATION REGARDING OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ESKOM BLANCO NETWORK STRENGTHENING: NARINA SUBSTATION PROJECT, IN THE GARDEN ROUTE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE, SOUTH AFRICA.

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd. (Eskom) (hereafter referred to as the applicant) has appointed Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd (EIMS) as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to assist with undertaking the required authorisation processes (including the statutory public participation), and to compile and submit the required documentation in support of application for the Environmental Authorisation (EA) application in accordance with the NEMA listed activity/ies:

- GNR 983: Activity 11, 12, 14, 19, 24, 27, 28 and 56.
- GNR 984: Activity 9 and 15.
- GNR 945: Activity 4, 12, 14, 15 and 18.

Additional listed activities and/or water uses may be identified during the process.

Eskom through their Transmission Grid Planning division have identified transformation constraints at Proteus Main Transmission Substation (MTS) as well as the sub-transmission constraints on the network supplying the Blanco area located in the Western Cape Province. To resolve the network constraints, Eskom proposes the construction and operation of a new 400/132kV Narina main transmission substation with associated loop-in loop-out powerlines close to the load centre (i.e., central distribution point). The required area size for substation location is 600m x 600m to account for current and future needs/plans. The length of the turn-in lines (loop-in loop-out on the Droerivier Proteus 400kV line and the Blanco-Outeniqua 132kV lines) will be determined by the approved substation location.

Two study areas will be assessed for the proposed project: one in the Blanco area (centre point ~33°57'34.82"S 22°20'12.12"E) and the other in the Outeniqua area (centre point ~33°45'53.30"S 22°21'21.94"E), in the George and Oudtshoorn Local Municipalities of the Western Cape Province, respectively. The sites are located approximately 8km and 26km northwest of George, respectively.

EIMS will be following the procedures defined in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GRN982 of 2014, as amended) for undertaking a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process. In accordance with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, a public participation process will be undertaken. You are hereby invited to register and comment on the proposed project and application/s. In order to ensure that you are identified and registered as an I&AP and that your comments are captured, please submit your name, contact details, the reason for your interest or any comments, in writing or telephonically, to EIMS. Please note that the Scoping Report will be made available for public review in the coming weeks. Please note that only registered I&AP's will be informed of future project information and opportunities for participation.

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By registering as an interested and affected party you consent to the collection and processing of your personal information as per the EIMS Privacy Notice available at www.eims.co.za/public-participation. In order to avoid missing out on opportunities for public participation please submit I&AP registrations, or any queries, comments, or concerns with regards to this application, as soon as possible to EIMS at:

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Please include the project reference number 1495 in all correspondence.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any queries or concerns.

Kind Regards,

Jolene Webber

16 Februarie 2024

Ons verw.: 1495/SK/jw

Aan wie dit mag aangaan

Geagte Meneer of Mevrouw:

KENNISGEWING MET BETREKKING TOT DIE GELEENTHEID OM DEEL TE NEEM AAN 'N OMGEWINGSMAGTINGAANSOEKPROSES VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE ESKOM BLANCO-NETWERKVERSTERKING: NARINA-SUBSTASIEPROJEK, IN DIE TUINROETE-DISTRIKSMUNISIPALITEIT, WES-KAAPPROVINSIE, SUID-AFRIKA.

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd. (Eskom) (hierna verwys as die aansoeker) het Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd (EIMS) aangewys as die omgewingsevalueringspraktisyn (OEP) om te help met die onderneming van die vereiste magtigingsprosesse (insluitend die statutêre openbare deelname), en om die vereiste dokumentasie op te stel en in te dien ter ondersteuning van aansoek om die omgewingsmagtiging- (OM-)aansoek in ooreenstemming met die NEMA-gelyste aktiwiteit(e):

- GNR 983: Aktiwiteit 11, 12, 14, 19, 24, 27, 28 en 56.
- GNR 984: Aktiwiteit 9 en 15.
- GNR 945: Aktiwiteit 4, 12, 14, 15 en 18.

Bykomende gelyste aktiwiteite en/of watergebruike kan tydens die proses geïdentifiseer word.

Eskom het deur hul Transmissieroosterbeplanningsafdeling transformasiebeperkings by Proteus Hooftransmissiesubstasie (HTS) geïdentifiseer asook die subtransmissiebeperkings op die netwerk wat die Blanco-gebied in die Wes-Kaap provinsie voorsien. Om die netwerkbepenkings op te los, stel Eskom voor die konstruksie en bedryf van 'n nuwe 400/132kV Narina-hooftransmissiesubstasie met gepaardgaande lus-in-lus-uit-kraglyne naby die laaisentrum (d.w.s. sentrale verspreidingspunt). Die vereiste oppervlaktgrootte vir substasieliggings is 600 m x 600 m om rekening te hou met huidige en toekomstige behoeftes/planne. Die lengte van die indraailyn (lus-in-lus-uit op die Droerivier Proteus 400kV-lyn en die Blanco-Outeniqua 132kV-lyn) sal deur die goedgekeurde substasie-liggings bepaal word.

Twee studie-areas sal vir die voorgestelde projek geassesseer word: een in die Blanco-gebied (middelpunt ~33°57'34.82"S 22°20'12.12"O) en die ander in die Outeniqua-gebied (middelpunt ~33°45'53.30"S 22°21'21.94"O), onderskeidelik in die George- en Oudtshoorn- plaaslike munisipaliteite van die Wes-Kaap provinsie. Die terreine is onderskeidelik ongeveer 8 km en 26 km noordwes van George geleë.

EIMS sal die prosedures volg soos omskryf in die Omgewingsimpakbepaling- (OIB-)regulasies (GRN982 van 2014, soos gewysig) vir die uitvoering van 'n omvangsbepaling- en omgewingsimpakbepaling- (OIB-)proses. 'n Openbare deelnameproses sal in ooreenstemming met hoofstuk 6 van die OIB-regulasies uitgevoer word. U word hiermee genooi om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde projek en aansoek(e). Om te verseker dat u geïdentifiseer en geregistreer is as 'n B&GP en dat u kommentaar vasgelê word, moet u asseblief u naam, kontakbesonderhede en die rede vir u belangstelling skriftelik of telefonies by EIMS indien. Neem asseblief kennis dat die Omvangbepalingsverslag

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beskikbaar sal wees in die komende weke vir openbare oorsig. Neem asseblief kennis dat slegs geregistreerde B&GP's ingelig sal word oor toekomstige projekinligting en geleenthede vir deelname.

Deur te registreer as 'n belanghebbende en geaffekteerde party stem u in tot die versameling en verwerking van u persoonlike inligting ingevolge die EIMS se privaatheidskennisgewing wat by www.eims.co.za/public-participation beskikbaar is. Om te verhoed dat u geleenthede vir openbare deelname misloop, moet u asseblief B&GP-registrasies, of enige navrae, kommentaar of bekommernisse met betrekking tot hierdie aansoek, so gou moontlik by EIMS indien by:

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Sluit asseblief die projekverwysingsnommer 1495 by alle korrespondensie in.

Kontak gerus die ondergetekende indien u enige vrae of bekommernisse het.

Vriendelike groete

Jolene Webber

16 EyoMdumba 2024

Inombolo yesalathisi yethu: 1495/SK/jw

Kulowo inokuthi ibhekiswe kuye

Mnu okanye Nks Ehloniphekileyo:

ISAZISO MALUNGA NETHUBA LOKUTHATHA INXAXHEBA KWINKQUBO YOKUFAKA ISICELO SOGUNYAZISO LWEZENDALO LWE-PROJEKTHI ECETYWAYO YOKOMELEZA UTHUNGELWANO OLUBONELELA UMMANDLA WASE BLANCO: IPROJEKTHI YESITISHI (SUBSTATION) SASE-NARINA, KWINGINGQI KAMASIPALA WASE-GARDEN ROUTE, KWIPHONDO LASENTSHONA KOLONI, EMZANTSI AFRIKA.

I-Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd. (Eskom) (ekubhekiselwa kuyo njengomfaki-sicelo) ityumbe i-Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd (EIMS) njenge-Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) ukuncedisa ekwenzeni iinkqubo zogunyaziso ezifunekayo (kuquka nokuthatha inxaxheba koluntu ngokusemthethweni), kunye nokuqulunqa nokungenisa amaxwebhu afunekayo ukuxhasa isicelo soGunyaziso lweze Ndalo (EA) ngokuhambelana noMthetho woLawulo lokuChaphazeleka kokusiNgqongileyo nezeNdalo (NEMA) imisebenzi edwelisiweyo:

- GNR 983: Umsebenzi 11, 12, 14, 19, 24, 27, 28 no-56.
- GNR 984: Umsebenzi 9 no-15.
- GNR 945: Umsebenzi 4, 12, 14, 15 no-18.

Imisebenzi eyongezelelekileyo edwelisiweyo kunye/okanye ukusetyenziswa kwamanzi kunokuchongwa ngexesha lale nkqubo.

I-Eskom ngecandelo lakhe loCwangciso lweGrid yeTransmishini iye yachonga imiqobo yenguqu kwiProteus Main Transmission Substation (MTS) kunye nemiqobo ye-sub transmission kuthungelwano olubonelela ummandla waseBlanco okwiPhondo leNtshona Koloni. Ukusombulula imiqobo yothungelwano, u-Eskom uceba ukwakha nokusebenzisa isitishi sothungelwano olungundoqo (main transmission substation) esitsha esiyiNarina 400/132kV kunye neentambo zombane zohlobo i-Loop-in Loop-out ezikufutshane neziko lomthwalo (oko kukuthi, indawo yokusasaza esembindini). Ubungakanani bommandla ofunekayo wendawo yesitishi yi-600m x 600m ejongene neemfuno/izicwangciso zangoku nezexesha elizayo. Ubude beentambo eziyika ngaphakathi (i-loop-in loop-out kwintambo eyi-400kV ye-Droerivier Proteus kunye neentambo eziyi-132kV ze-Blanco-Outeniqua) buya kumiselwa ngummandla ovunyiweyo wesitishi.

Iindawo zophononongo ezimbini ziya kuhlololwa iprojekthi ecetywayo: enye ikwindawo yaseBlanco (indawo esembindini ~33°57'34.82"S 22°20'12.12"E) nenye ekwindawo yase-Outeniqua (indawo esembindini ~33°45'53.30"S 22°21'21.94"E), kuMasipala weNgingqi yaseGeorge nase-Oudtshoorn we Phondo laseNtshona Koloni, ngokulandelelana. Iindawo zophononongo zimalunga ne-8km kunye ne-26km kumntla-ntshona waseGeorge, ngokulandelelana kwazo.

I-EIMS iza kulandela iinkqubo ezichazwe kwiMimiselo yoHlobo loChaphazeleko lokusiNgqongileyo nezeNdalo (EIA) (i-GRN982 ka-2014, njengoko ilungisiwe) ukuze kuqaliswe inkqubo yokuphanda nokuhlola uChaphazeleko lokuSingqongileyo nezeNdalo (EIA). Ngokuvumelana neSahluko 6 seMimiselo ye-EIA, inkqubo yokuthatha inxaxheba

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koluntu iya kwenziwa. Uyamenywa ukuba ubhalise kwaye unikele uluvo ngeprojekthi ecetywayo kunye nezicelo. Ukwenzela ukuqinisekisa ukuba ubhalisiwe njenge-I&AP kwaye uluvo lwakho lufakiwe, nceda ungenise igama lakho, iinkcukacha zoqhagamshelwano, isizathu somdla wakho okanye naluphi na uluvo, ngembalelwano okanye ngomnxeba, kwi-EIMS. Nceda uqaphele ukuba i-Scoping Report siyakufumaneka ukuze siphononongwe luluntu ze lufake ingxelo kwezi veki zizayo. Nceda uqaphele ukuba zii-I&AP ezibhalisiweyo kuphela eziya kwaziswa ngenkcazelo yeprojekthi yexesha elizayo kunye namathuba okuthatha inxaxheba.

Ngokubhalisa njengomntu onomdla nochaphazelekayo uyakuvuma ukuqokelelwa kunye nokusetyenziswa kwenkcazelo yakho yabucala ngokweSaziso sotyenziso kwee-Nkcukacha zaBucala se-EIMS (EIMS Privacy Notice) esifumaneka ku www.eims.co.za/public-participation. Ukuze ungaphoswa ngamathuba okuthatha inxaxheba koluntu nceda ubhalise okanye ungenise nayiphi na imibuzo, uluvo, okanye iinkxalabo malunga nesi sicelo, ngokukhawuleza kangangoko kwi-EIMS ku:

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Nceda ufake inombolo yesalathisi yeprojekthi engu-1495 kuyo yonke imbalelwano.

Nceda uzive ukhululekile ukuqhakamshelana nomntu osayine apha ngezantsi ukuba unayo nayiphi na imibuzo okanye izinto ezikuxhalabisayo.

Ozithobileyo,

Jolene Webber