



**Notes on Focus
Group Meeting**

FOSKOR – SPENCER 400kV POWER LINES AND EXPANSION OF SPENCER SUBSTATION

(Proposed Eskom Transmission DEA Ref. No: 14/12/16/3/3/2/1023)

Focus Group Meeting

(Selati Game Reserve)

09 April 2018

Record of Proceedings of the Meeting

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Attendance:

Ms Brenda Makanza Mr Moses Mahlangu
Mr Dusty Joubert Mr James Aling
Mr Munyadziwa Magoma Mr Douglas Mampuru
Mr Henry Nawa Mr Rasilingwani Livhuwani

| Item | Recorded Notes on the Meeting Proceedings |
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| 1 | <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. A special word of appreciation was particularly directed to Dusty Joubert for arranging the venue and coordinating the communication with the Selati Board of Directors. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced. The Selati Game Reserve representatives introduced themselves</p> |
| | <p>Purpose of Meeting:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu explained that the purpose of the meeting was to explain and discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project</p> |



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| | <p>in the area between Phalaborwa and Mhlabaneng. He mentioned that the DEIAR was available for public review during the period 19 March 2018 and 24 April 2018</p> |
| | <p>Points Discussed:</p> <p>Ms Makanza explained the DEIAR by referring to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Scoping Phase study process and the approval of the Final Scoping Report; • The Environmental Impact Assessment Phase process followed and the technical specialists fields emphasised during the EIA Phase • The recommended route based on the information contained in the different technical specialists reports and the input from the public/stakeholders • Mitigation measures as explained in the Environmental Management Programme report • Eskom representatives explained the procedures followed during servitude acquisition stage, Walkdown process to produce site specific EMP with conditions and the construction process. |
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| <p>Does the servitude get surveyed before the line is plotted and the position of the pylons is fixed? It is also important for us to know what type of pylons are going to be used for this power line</p> | <p>The designer within Eskom will determine the position of the power line within the 3km corridor. Once this is done the negotiator will then go and agree with each property owner about the chosen position on his property. Eskom will also send a team of specialists to walk the line to ensure that the power line does not negatively impact on the environment and livelihood of the communities in the receiving environment. Usually the key specialists involved in the walk down of the power line are heritage, vegetation and birds</p> |
| <p>What is the expected date of completing and energizing the power line</p> | <p>The expected commissioning date is December 2024</p> |



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| <p>What are the key criteria factors that were considered which resulted in the recommended route</p> | <p>The factors included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The eight specialists reports undertaken, i.e., Visual, tourism; agricultural potential; biodiversity; heritage; social impact; avifauna and wetland delineation. ii. The EAP's expertise and knowledge gained from previous projects; iii. Interested and Affected Parties and stakeholders' comments and opinions; iv. Technical viability and v. Mapping |
| <p>What are timeframes for this project because the report says the design of pylons has not yet been finalised. Can you give us an indication of timelines for the EIA process and for the construction process</p> | <p>The comment period will end on the 24th April 2018 and a decision from the authority is expected somewhere in September 2018. After the issuing of decision (and if it is a positive decision) the process goes through an appeal period in which I &AP can appeal the decision.</p> <p>Eskom indicated that if there are no appeals usually the whole process of negotiation and finalizing the EMPr gets completed in two and a half years. Construction of a power line of this length can be completed in one and a half to two years.</p> |
| <p>Representatives of the Selati Game Reserve commented that at least they are encouraged by the fact that the recommended route is the one going behind the entrance of the reserve, that is, along the R71 and this route only cuts along the edge of the reserve. It was indicated that the recommended route will be presented to the board members. The representatives of the board will go through the report in detail and give written response on the report and on the minutes of the meeting. It was also indicated that there is a possibility that some of the board members who are actually property owners in their own right might want to appeal individually once the decision is issued. A request was made that the study team send shape file of the map showing the recommended route.</p> | <p>Comment noted with appreciation. The content of the response that will be received later will be included in the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the shape files of maps will be forwarded to Selati Game Reserve. (Shapefiles were forwarded on the 9th of April 2018)</p> |



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(Selati River Lodge)

09 April 2018

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Attendance:

Ms Brenda Makanza

Mr Moses Mahlangu

Mr Johan Roets

Mr Wessie v.d. Westhuizen

Mr M.G Schoeman

Mr W.A Hammand

Mr Juaan Slabbert

Mr Douglas Mampuru

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| 1 | Introduction: Mr Mahlangu declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced. |
| | Purpose of Meeting: Mr Mahlangu explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project in the area between Phalaborwa and Mohlabaeng. He mentioned that the DEIAR was available for public review during the period 19 March 2018 and 24 April 2018 |
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| <p>An explanation of the meaning and implication of the 3km corridor and 55m servitude was requested. Stakeholders wanted to know on which side of the road (R71) the power line was going to be positioned because the 3km corridor is wide.</p> | <p>Ms Makanza and Eskom representatives explained that the 3km corridor allows Eskom to negotiate easier with properties. They explained that Eskom only wanted 55m servitude through the property of each affected property owner. It was emphasized that the greater part of the power line in the area close to Selati River Lodge will be lying on the northern side of the R71 road. The power line will cross the R71 almost at the end of Selati Game Reserve.</p> |
| <p>Position the proposed power line in the area closer to the Selati River Lodge.</p> | <p>Property owners who attended the meeting commented that the idea of minimizing the potential impacts by recommending that the power line be placed along the existing infrastructure (road and power line) is appreciated.</p> |



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| <p>Mr Juan Slabberts indicated that as shown on the map the line goes over his lodge and he will not allow that to happen.</p> | <p>The purpose of investigating a 3km corridor and only taking 55m servitude was explained to Mr Deon and it was emphasized that this allows Eskom to negotiate with the property owner on where to place the power line through his property such that the impact gets minimized.</p> |
| <p>Mr Juan Slabbert placed it on record that if the power line is constructed through his property, he will not allow access gates for Eskom. If it becomes necessary that Eskom want to gain access to his property it must be with his permission and they must use existing gates.</p> | <p>It was advised that such conditions must be raised during the negotiation phase and they must be recorded as part of the signed options and landowner conditions and will be adhered to during construction.</p> |



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Public Meeting

(Gravelotte Primary School)

10 April 2018

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| Ms Brenda Makanza | Mr Moses Mahlangu |
| Mr Johan Enslin | Mr Gavin Kukard |
| Mr Bernard Enslin | Mr Henry Nawa |
| Mr Andre Last | Mr Bongani Ngubeni |

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| <p>Did the army refuse to allow the power line through their property or to move their base or even to sell their farms to Eskom? Did Eskom approach the army? Maybe Eskom can buy those army farms and resell them after establishing a servitude. Selati Game Reserve will under normal circumstance not want a power line through the reserve but if really the power line cannot be accommodated close to the army then we can consider allowing the power line close to or parallel to the existing infrastructure on the periphery of the reserve but not in front of the entrance to the reserve along the R526 road.</p> | <p>Eskom approach to business is that they are not in the business of buying and selling farms. The option of buying a farm and resell it after establishing a servitude is not considered by Eskom at all. Yes the army has always been part of the registered stakeholders and they participated in the study process during the Scoping Phase. Written comments were received from the army and they objected strongly to the project coming to their properties. In fact one of the reasons why the deviation close to Selati River Lodge came as a result of trying to avoid the army base</p> |



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| | <p>The EIA studies considered the new deviation that will allow for avoiding the army mainly because this deviation tend to place the line along the existing infrastructure, that is, on an already impacted area. The area close to the army base has limited infrastructure that will amicably coexist with the power line.</p> |
| <p>Are landowners allowed to negotiate with Eskom to put the powerline at a place that will have minimal impact to the activities and operations of the landowner? If this is allowed within the corridor some landowners in the area would like to talk to Eskom and position the power line in a position that will suit the directly affected landowners. The company called Servitude Watch is currently assisting some landowners to agree on giving Eskom the best root.</p> | <p>The purpose of investigating a 3km corridor is to make it easy for Eskom and property owners to negotiate. Power lines can be deviated within the corridor without going back to the authority.</p> |



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Focus Group Meeting

(Constantia Farmers Association)

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| Ms Brenda Makanza | Mr Johann Gubitz |
| Mr Moses Mahlangu | Mr Johan Enslin |
| Mr Carel Minnaar | Mr Johan Gubitz |
| Mr Bennie Steenkamp | Mr Henry Nawa |
| Mr Bongani Ngubeni | Mr Munyadziwa Magoma |
| Mr Bernard Enslin | Mr Pieter Vorster |

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| 1. | <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. Mr Pieter Voster was requested to convey special word of appreciation to Ms Naomi Excel for arranging the venue and coordinating the communication with the potentially affected landowners falling under Agri Letaba. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced.</p> |
| 2. | <p>Purpose of Meeting:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project in the area between Phalaborwa and Mohlabaeng. He mentioned that the DEIAR was available for public review during the period 19 March 2018 and 24 April 2018</p> |



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| Has all potentially affected landowners been contacted individually to inform them about the possibility of a power line being constructed on their properties | At this stage the effort is to get all potentially affected landowner. Directly affected landowners will be known after the negotiation for servitude process has been completed |
| When the construction process is complete and the power line has been energized are landowners allowed to re-plant citrus plant inside the servitude? These trees are about 4m high | Yes, 400kV towers can be designed up to 37m high and citrus tree can be planted under the power line. The problem will come when you want to do crop spraying using the helicopter. |
| Landowners will want to know the structure of pylons that are going to be used before finalizing the servitude negotiations. In the past Eskom negotiated for a 55m servitude but when constructing the power line Eskom then used pylons with stays extended to the outside of the servitude, that is they usually result in Eskom taking 75m space | Eskom will use the cross rope type towers and self-supporting tower which will be used on bends, crossings and where terrain is not good. Eskom pays 100% for the servitude and it's only tower positions which are intruders and this depend on the tower type. Eskom has a building restriction of 10m around the anchors, however, the area under the conductors can still be utilised even if it's paid for by Eskom. |



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| <p>Mr Enslin indicated that he was representing some landowners in the meeting</p> | <p>Mr Enslin was requested to give the study team the</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• list of property owners he was representing in the meeting;• the comments on the findings and recommendations of the DEIAR. It was agreed that Mr Enslin's comments will be considered to be the comments of property owners he is representing;• route that will be preferred by the property owners he is representing. |
| <p>How far can the power line towers be spaced</p> | <p>They can be spanned to a maximum of 500m.</p> |
| <p>The study team was requested to make available the list of farms that are directly affected by the recommended route. The Farmers Association will assist in informing the affected landowners about the power line that is going to be constructed through their properties.</p> | <p>The study team committed to making the maps available. (The maps were send on the 17th of April 2018).</p> |



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Focus Group Meeting

(Olifants North Game Reserve)

11 April 2018

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| Ms Brenda Makanza | Mr Cornell Vermaak |
| Mr Gerrie Van Zyl | Mr Ian Nowak |
| Mr Henry Nawa | Mr Joe Pearson |
| Mr Bongani Ngubeni | Mr Munyadziwa Magoma |
| Mr Adrian G.W Hayes | Mr Antoinette Hayes |
| Mr Craig Spencer | Mr Rob Garmany |
| Ms Sharmaine Eaglestone | |

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| 1 | <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. A special word of appreciation was particularly directed to Mr Rob Garmany for arranging the venue and ensuring that property owners falling under Olifants North Game Reserve (Balule) attend the meeting. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced.</p> |
| | <p>Purpose of Meeting:</p> <p>Mr Mahlangu explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project in</p> |



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| <p>Two comments relating to the recommended route close to Foskor Substation are that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The whole area along the Olifants area close to Phalaborwa falls under Category 1 of protected biodiversity area because of the sensitivity of the area as confirmed by the study. Within the R40 road the area is considered part of the Greater Kruger ecotourism plan and properties with the Greater Kruger will ultimately become protected areas. Hence it will be good | <p>When we do an EIA we take a look at is the baseline in that environment and also consider all available acts in law relating to environmental issues in that area. We also submit the DEIAR to different government departments that may have a regulation or act that relate to activities in the receiving environment. These departments are then expected to comment on the findings of the report. The lead authority will then look at all inputs made and try to reach a balance in giving a decision</p> |

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| <p>practice to desist from introducing infrastructure like a power line which bring negative impact to pristine environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The area to the north of R40 for a buffer zone for protected areas is considered a red line for preventing foot and mouth disease from impacting on the animals inside the reserve | <p>The study process also generate mitigation measures that will reduce the impacts of the proposed project on the environment. The recommended mitigation measures get documented in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr). If the lead authority approves the project and give environmental authorisation (EA) for the construction of the project, such EA comes with conditions that are mainly based on the EMPr.</p> |
| <p>The ONGR is in the process of trying to get the Maseke and the Makhushane to be part of the wild life community. These communities currently have vast portions of land that can contribute to the formation of a bigger reserve. Introducing the power line in the area will be tantamount to dissecting and compromising the envisaged Greater Kruger National Park economy with a power line</p> <p>Placing the power line north of the R40 road might be a better option but this area is where incursions occur especially if there is an infrastructure like road, power line or railway line. The ONGR is strongly opposed to the power line in the area but if no alternative is found the powerline should be placed north of R40, maybe on the edge of the buffer.</p> | <p>Comments noted. It should also be noted that it was recommended that where there is existing infrastructure such as the transmission line, then the proposed power line should run parallel that line to minimise habitat fragmentation.</p> <p>The construction of power lines is always accompanied by specialised studies and Environmental management Plans whose purpose is to ensure that the impacts on the environment are minimized.</p> |
| <p>Putting the new power line parallel to the existing power line is another option that can be an option for consideration. The challenge here will be bush clearing. If the separation between the lines is not more than 50m the community will support the new power line in the area</p> <p>The landowners will also recommend that if the power line is placed in their area, they will not allow new access roads</p> | <p>The study team also considered this option and the manner in which the power lines can be</p> <p>Eskom will give an indication of how far the lines can be close to each other and the issue of access gate will be agreed with landowners.</p> |
| <p>Why does not Eskom upgrade the pylon structure of the existing power line and construct the new power line on top of the existing line</p> | <p>This is possible but the risk is once you have a single contingency it becomes a double contingency and this puts the network at risk. The other challenge is power supply during construction of the double circuit or multi circuit</p> |



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| | power. The existing lines are needed for power supply in the area. |
| One of the conditions that will be given by the landowners will be that construction must be supervised by their rangers and the construction will be searched when moving in and out of the reserve | Landowners will be given an opportunity to lay down their conditions during the negotiation phase and Eskom will also employ an Environmental Control Officer who will monitor the construction process for compliance to the conditions of the EA and the EMP. |



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Focus Group Meeting

(MAJEJE TRIBAL AUTHORITY)

18 April 2018

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Attendance: Register attached

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| 1 | <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Chairperson of Majeje Tribal Authority declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced.</p> |
| | <p>Purpose of Meeting:</p> <p>Mr Henry Nawa explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project in the area between Phalaborwa and Mohlabaeng. He mentioned that the DEIAR was available for public review during the period 19 March 2018 and 24 April 2018</p> |
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| Who decide the account for compensation | It is by law that money should not be deposited to any individual s bank account but to the trust account belonging to the tribal authority |
| Are there going to be employment opportunities during construction, if there are any we request that local people should be employed | The project is still under planning, the issue of employment will be addressed when the contractor is appointed |
| Who is going to be paid when Eskom powerline is passing through our land | Eskom will pay the money for servitude into the tribal authority s trust account administered by COGHSTA |
| When are you going to appoint the contractor | When we finish with EIA process of which we are targeting September, then we will start with land negotiation. When we finish those processes we will the start with the appointment of contractor |



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Focus Group Meeting

(MODJADJI TRIBAL AUTHORITY)

17 April 2018

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| Item | Recorded Notes on the Meeting Proceedings |
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| 1 | <p>Introduction:</p> <p>Chairperson of Modjadji Tribal Authority declared the meeting opened and thanked all in attendance. The study team and Eskom representatives were introduced.</p> |
| | <p>Purpose of Meeting:</p> <p>Mr Livhuwani Rasilingwani explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) for the proposed Eskom project in the area between Phalaborwa and Mohlabaaneng. He mentioned that the DEIAR was available for public review during the period 19 March 2018 and 24 April 2018.</p> |
| | <p>Points Discussed:</p> <p>Mr Livhuwani Rasilingwani explained the DEIAR by referring to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Scoping Phase study process and the approval of the Final Scoping Report;• The Environmental Impact Assessment Phase process followed and the technical specialists fields emphasised during the EIA Phase;• The recommended route based on the information contained in the different technical specialists reports and the input from the public/stakeholders; |



**Notes on Focus
Group Meeting**

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitigation measures as explained in the Environmental Management Programme report; and • Eskom representatives explained the procedures followed during servitude acquisition stage, Walk-down process to produce site specific EMP with conditions and the construction process. |
| | <p>Way Forward and Closure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was then explained that the comment period will close on the 24th April 2018. Participants were advised that they must submit their comments on or before the closing date of the comment period; • Different timeframes relating to the proposed project were explained (i.e. expected date of a decision from the authority; appeal period; time for servitude negotiations and tentative date for commencement of construction). • The study team committed to circulating the minutes to participants for confirmation before using them in the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report that will be submitted to the authority for a decision. |

| Issue/Comment | Response |
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| Has all potentially affected landowners been contacted individually to inform them about the possibility of a power line being constructed on their properties | At this stage the effort is to get all potentially affected landowner. Directly affected landowners will be known after the negotiation for servitude process has been completed |
| Are there going to be employment opportunities during construction, if there are any we request that local people should be employed | The project is still under planning, the issue of employment will be addressed when the contractor is appointed. |
| Is the compensation payment going to be once off or is going to be paid every year | It is going to be a once off payment. |
| When are you going to appoint the contractor | When we finish with EIA process of which we are targeting September, then we will start with land negotiation. When we finish those processes, we will the start with the appointment of contractor |