


**APPENDIX 7B: COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT :</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR THE PROPOSED ±130KM ESKOM FOSKOR – MERENSKY POWERLINE FROM 275KV TO 400KV AND ASSOCIATED SUBSTATION WORKS IN THE LIMPOPO PROVINCE</b></p>						
Date Receipt of Comment	Name and contact details of the interested and affected party	Organization	Comment or Issues raised by the interested and affected party	Response by Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP)	Date of Response by EAP	
31 October 2016	Craig Spencer	Warden: Balule Nature Reserve	<p>It has come to our attention that Nsovo is applying on behalf of ESKOM Holdings to amend the Record of Decision issued for the above.</p> <p>As this will directly affect the properties, nature reserves and Protected Areas already listed as Interested and Affected Parties</p>	<p>Your email dated 31 October 2016 has reference.</p> <p>Please receive attached BID as requested and your previous comments will be incorporated in the Amendment report.</p>	02 November 2016	

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			<p>during the original process, please provide us with the intended amendments as mentioned in your notice, pinned to the existing powerlines, dated 27 October 2016.</p> <p>For the record:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please be aware that the affected regions of the Balule Nature Reserve enjoy statutory protection in terms of Section 23 of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act;</li> <li>2. The objections and comments logged during the previous prescribed public participation process that guided the current record of decision, have not changed.</li> <li>3. The Meseke and</li> </ol>	<p>Please note that you will be kept abreast with the project proceedings</p>	
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			<p>Mashishimale tribal authorities and community property associations have not been consulted and are unaware of the proposals.</p> <p>4. I have been instructed by the 367 farmers that are represented by the Balule Nature Reserve Management Authority, to uphold our original objections and comments.</p> <p>5. The Balule Nature Reserve and its neighbours are recognised as important components of the Kruger National Park Buffer Zone, in terms of the National Buffer Zone policy for National Parks.</p> <p>Therefore, please furnish me with the proposed amendments and the supporting</p>		
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16 November 2016	Juliet Nkomi <a href="mailto:julietnkomi@gmail.com">julietnkomi@gmail.com</a> 072 725 9854	Maseke Community	No comment received from I&AP.	A Notice Of Amendment Of Environmental Authorisation for The Proposed ±130km Eskom Foskor – Merensky Powerline From 275kv To 400kv And Associated Substation Works, was sent to the land owner, however no response was received.	16 November 2016
16 November 2016	Marlette Ferreira 012 654 6330	McCormick Property Development	Ms Ferreira acknowledged receipt of the notification and requested digital format of the document.	Site notice and locality map were forwarded to the I&AP.	17 November 2016
	Jaco du Plesseis 0828539070	Pieterse, Du Toit & Assosiate (PTY) LTD Town and Regional	The Minister of Agriculture approved our application for township establishment	The EAP acknowledge receipt of the correspondence in this	16 January 2017

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		Planners	<p>(Burgersfort X75) on 12 January 2017.</p> <p>We are in progress to continue with the township establishment procedure, i.e. surveying of township, submission of general plan to Surveyor-General and registration of township.</p> <p>If ESKOM intends to make amendments to the approved layout plan of Burgersfort X75 to accommodate the proposed Foskor-Merensky Powerline, it should be done before we commence surveying of the township.</p>	<p>regard.</p> <p>The letter and the locality plan were forwarded to Eskom for comment response/comment.</p>	
23 February	Adam Gunn	Representing Phuza Moya	Adam Gunn from Gunn Attorneys is the legal representative of Phuza Moya	Information was provided as per the request of the I&AP.	24 February 2017

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			<p>Game Farm owned by Mr. Steve Topham: Following receipt of the notice he raised the following:</p> <p>Requested additional information and a meeting with the EAP.</p>	<p>The draft amendment report will be submitted on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017 for review and comment, following which meetings will be held with all stakeholders and affected parties.</p>	
23 March 2017	<p>Pienaar 'pienaar1571@gmail.com'</p>	Land owner	No comment from the I&AP.	<p>The EAP had a telephone conversation with Mr. Pienaar notifying him about the project An email was sent as follow up; however no response was received.</p>	23 March 2017
23 March 2017	<p>Albert Zinn 'azinn@iafrica.com'</p>	Land owner	No comment from the I&AP.	<p>A telephone call was made to Mr Zinn to notifying him about the project, and it was followed by an email notifying him of</p>	23 March 2017

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				Amendment of Environmental Authorisation for The Proposed ±130km Eskom Foskor – Merensky Powerline From 275kv To 400kv And Associated Substation Works, was send to the land owner, however no response was received.	
06 March 2017	Jacques Du Randt	Ekuthuleni Share Block (Pty) Ltd Portion 7 of the Farm Oxford 183, Registration Division KT, Limpopo Province	Jacques would like to be register as an interested and Affected Party.	The EAP acknowledged receipt and informed him that he will be added on our I&AP database. Further, the EAP will send the draft Amendment report to the I&AP for review and comment, and that the public meeting will be scheduled to further	10 April 2017

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				address all questions and queries regarding the aforementioned project	
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