

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION

## FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MAINTNENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER USE LICENSE FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE IMPALA ZIRCON TEMPORARY BY-PASS 132KV LINE WITH ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPALA ZIRCON 132KV MAIN LINE WITHIN THE UMHLATHUZE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE


### ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) AND ADOPTION OF MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

In terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended) promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) (Act No. 107 of 1998), a Basic Assessment Process and the Maintenance Management Plan will be followed to apply for an Environmental Authorisation (EA) and the Adoption of the Maintenance Management Plan (MMP), respectively. The applications will be submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) for the proposed construction of the Impala Zircon temporary By-Pass 132kV line with associated infrastructure and the maintenance of the existing Impala Zircon 132kV main line within the Umhlathuze Local Municipality in KwaZulu-Natal Province.

### WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION (WULA)

Furthermore, a Water Use License Application process for the said proposed development is also underway in terms of the Water Use License Application and Appeals Regulations, 2017 (amended) promulgated under the National Water Act, 1998 (NWA), (Act No. 36 of 1998) and will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) as the competent authority.

The proposed development triggers the following activities in terms of EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998:

EA, MMP and WULA	QR CODE
<b>Government Notice No. 327 of 2017 (as amended)</b> Listing Notice 1: Activity 19	
<b>Government Notice No. 324 of 2017 (as amended)</b> Listing Notice 3: Activity 12 & Activity 14	
<b>National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998)</b> Section 21 (c) & (i)	

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (the applicant) proposes the maintenance and refurbishment of the existing Impala Zircon 132kV line which provides electricity to approximately 6062 customers, however, due to its proximity to the North coast of Kwazulu-Natal, this line is experiencing severe corrosion and deterioration. Therefore, part of the proposal entails the **construction of a temporary 6.01 km 132kV bypass line** that would be operational for a period of 3 years to allow for the refurbishment and maintenance of the main line to be completed. In addition, the temporary bypass line will run parallel to the existing main line, approximately 15m apart from each other and across the uMhlathuze River. The proposed temporary and existing main line routes can be accessed along N2 and R34 road. The coordinates to the site are:

PROJECT SCOPE	CO-ORDINATES
Temporary line	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°49'10.68" S 31°57'08.14" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°47'49.89" S 31°55'59.54" E; <b>End point:</b> 28°46'22.34" S 31°56'27.22" E
Main line	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°50'41.25" S 31°55'48.60" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°48'13.80" S 31°56'20.81" E; <b>End point:</b> 28°46'05.25" S 31°56'43.18" E

### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

This notification is hereby given to all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in terms of Section 41(1)(a) of the National Water Act, 1998, and Regulation 41(2)(c) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). to register as an Interested and/or Affected Party (I&AP). To obtain additional information regarding the proposed project, please contact **Selahle Consultancy and Projects (Pty) Ltd** on or before **Tuesday, 7 April 2026** by submitting your name, contact details and the interest which you have in the application in the details below:

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