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Dear Stakeholder,

Notice of the Re-submission of the Application for Environmental Authorisation for the Proposed Establishment of a Solar Photovoltaic and Battery Energy Storage System Facility at the Komati Power Station, Mpumalanga Province

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (Eskom) proposes to establish a solar electricity generating facility at the Komati Power Station. The proposed Solar Photovoltaic (PV) and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) facilities will be developed on farm Komati Power Station No 56 IS in Ward 4, Steve Tshwete Local Municipality, Nkangala District Municipality, Mpumalanga Province.

An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, was submitted on 02 February 2023 to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) (Reference: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2298). A refusal for the EA was received from the DFFE on 12 October 2023, and registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) were informed of the DFFE's decision on 17 October 2023.

This notification is to inform you that WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) will be re-submitting the application for EA for the proposed project in terms of Regulation 21(2) of GNR 326, as amended. The Approval of the Scoping Report was received on 03 May 2023 and is still valid. A pre-application meeting was held with the DFFE on 01 November 2023 to confirm WSP's intention to re-submit the application for EA.

The re-submitted application will receive a new reference number from the DFFE once the application has been submitted and acknowledged.

All registered I&APs will be informed of the availability of the Draft EIA Report for review, of which the public will have 30 days to provide comment. A newspaper advert will also be published on 09 November 2023 in the Highvelder and Witbank News.

Yours sincerely,

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