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Dear all,

Thank you for attending the public meeting on 21st July 2014.

We would like to draw your attention that these minutes were drawn from notes taken from the Public Meeting; please provide corrections / additions if applicable.

We would like to advise that while utmost care was taken to record your comments accurately and faithfully, there may be some discrepancies between what has been written in the minutes that follow and what was actually said. We apologise for this and request that you contact us should you wish to have something changed.

Many thanks for your participation at the meeting, as well as for your understanding regarding the minutes.

Regards

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**Proposed “Kronos-Perseus” 765kV Transmission Power line & Substations
Upgrade, Northern Cape and Free State Provinces
DEA Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/438**

Meeting with I&APs held at 10h00 on 21st July 2014 at Tokologo Municipality, Dealesville

Attendees:

Judith	Alford	JA	Mokgope Consulting
Victoria	Somo	VS	Mokgope Consulting
Bruce	Sebolai	BS	Mokgope Consulting
Lerato	Mokgwathheng	LM	Eskom
Wimpie	Henning	WH	Eskom
Lindi	Haarhoff	LH	Eskom
P W	Nel	PWN	Farmer / landowner
Carina	Nel	CN	Occupant Road User
Henk	Pieterse	HP	Landowner
Kleyn	Pretorius	KP	farmer/landowner
Fred	Euvrard	FE	Euvrard Boerdery Trust
Gowie	Lombaard	GL	Farmer Landowner
Jan	Van der Berg	JV	Landowner
Arno	V.d.Nel	AVN	Country Bird Holdings
S	Nkwadiso	SN	R.S Nkwadiso Trading
John	Fouche	JF	Ebenaeser-Walvischkuil

Item No	Item Description	Response / Comment
1.	JA: Welcome and Introduction	
2.	JA: Presentation	
3.	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	
	FE: Why can't you make use of existing lines or upgrade the towers?	LH: The transmission line is operated at a very high voltage with the maximum servitude width. If one can upgrade a line, it will have clearance issues. Outage will be a major problem when re-building the line. None of the existing lines

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		are available for upgrade and are currently utilized.
	PWN: The lines bring limitations on Agriculture. How are animals (sheep) going to be protected from this power line?	JA: As all other existing power lines within the country, it has been proven possible and safe for live stock farming to continue beneath the power lines. However, during the construction phase, there will be temporary disturbance and limitations for the live stock to graze and occupy the land near the power line.
	CN: Specialists did not come to our farms, meaning that they did not conduct any field surveys.	JA: The consultants appointed various specialists to conduct assessments. Part of their ToRs was to conduct field surveys. However, due to budget and time constraints of the EIA process, the specialists could not cover the entire area. They did random selections and verified that adjacent areas had similar and homogeneous features. Desktop studies including existing literature and previous studies were also consulted, which helped the specialists to be aware of the obvious sensitive features such as National Parks, Critically Biodiversity Areas, Important Bird Areas, amongst others. Once the final route is chosen and preliminary tower positions provided, the specialists would conduct a walk-down along the alignment to ensure avoidance of the sensitive areas.
	GL: How are you going to compensate us if the power line is built on our land?	The Eskom Negotiator will further explain to you. Contact Wimpie Henning: Details provided in the Attendance Register.
	GL: At a down scale, how are the roads going to be fixed? Will the Road Department be contacted to fix the roads?	LH: Eskom are not allowed to upgrade roads. We can however apply at the roads department and pay for the upgrade. In all cases although Eskom makes funds available to the roads department, Eskom cannot force the department to spend it on a specific road.
	CN: Eskom should be reliable for damaged roads	LH: See comment above

Please Note:

We had challenges in accurately capturing the minutes with the recording device. Attendees were however kindly asked to send any missing correspondences to include in the above. One of the attendees (Mr H Pieterse) responded and his comments have been included in the Comments and Response Report.