

Eskom MES Postponement _ Emalahleni Public Meeting 21 November 2018

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Good day Oupa Mokoena,

As you well know we recently conducted the public meeting regarding the application for postponement from the minimum emission standards for all of Eskom's coal fired power stations in Mpumalanga Highveld at the Emalahleni Banquet Hall on 21 November 2018, 18:00.

The purpose of the meeting was to present the motivation for Eskom's application for postponement, present the findings of the Atmospheric Impact Reports and health implications related thereto. Power stations are mostly clustered around Emalahleni hence the importance to bring this information to the public in the area.

Unfortunately the meeting was poorly attended which was a concern to meeting attendees. Attendees highlighted that no representatives from the municipality were present, nor any ward councillors. They further did not wish to complete the attendance register.

We highlighted to the attendees that the meeting was published in the Witbank News, Middelburg Observer, Beeld and Daily Sun. The venue, time and date was also selected in consultation with the Office of the Speaker and PP Officer for Emalahleni. It was specifically scheduled for 18:00 to allow people to attend after work. Emailed notifications were also sent out to the municipality, district authority, stakeholder forums for the power stations, non-government organisations, registered I&APs.

We further highlighted that the PP Officer of Emalahleni circulated the notice of the public meeting to the LED Office of Emalahleni which also in turn circulated the notification of the meeting to its stakeholder database. Environmental forums in the area were also notified through the PP Office to mobilise them to attend since the matter was focussed on air quality.

On our side we also placed notification of the meeting and process on social media pages.

Can you maybe assist and shed some light as to the reason for poor attendance and what could have been done differently to improve attendance?

Your feedback in this regard would be highly appreciated.

Kind regards,

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Eskom MES Postponement: Vereeniging Public Meeting Minutes (26 Nov 2018) available for public review & comment

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Attachments:full draft Vereeniging Mi~1.pdf (3 MB) ; draft Vereening Minutes o~1.docx (73 KB)

Dear Stakeholder,

We would herewith like to thank you for attending the Vereening Public Meeting on 26 November 2018 at the Vereeniging City Hall as part of the 2nd round of public engagements related to Eskom's intent to apply for postponement of the MES compliance timeframes for its coal fired power stations. Your inputs have been recorded as part of the public participation process for project.

Herewith attached the Minutes of the Vereeniging Public Meeting (in pdf format). Attendees are herewith provided with the opportunity to review and comment on the minutes to ensure that all issues have been captured/recorded correctly. A 10 day (working days) review and comment period is provided for submission of comments.

DUE DATE FOR COMMENTS IS ON OR BEFORE 5 FEBRUARY 2019.

Should you have any enquiries, or wish to submit comment on the minutes, please do so by:

- adding your comment on the provided word document (please track changes); or
- by sending your comments by email, fax or by phoning us at the below given details.

Please address any written comments / inquiries to Marissa Botha.

Important follow ups for the public meeting:

- **Ms. Dalene Venter, Councillor for Three Rivers, indicated that there may be a need to arrange another meeting key members from her ward/community. Ms Venter please confirm if such a meeting is still required?**

Regards,

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