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Dear Ms Hugo

RECONSIDERATION OF THE APPEAL AGAINST THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION ISSUED FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 1200MW THABAMETSI COAL-FIRED POWER STATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR LEPHALALE, WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE WATERBERG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, IN THE LIMPOPO PROVINCE

Following the order granted by the North Gauteng High Court on 8 March 2017, the Minister of Environmental Affairs, Dr B E E Molewa, MP, has reconsidered the appeal lodged against the decision of the Department of Environmental Affairs in respect of an environmental authorisation issued to Thabametsi Power Company Proprietary Limited for the proposed construction of the above mentioned project.

After evaluating the relevant specialist reports and information submitted to her, the Minister has reached a decision, a copy of which is attached hereto.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. E. Molewa'.

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