

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

PROPOSED MARINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (ACE CABLE SYSTEM) TO BE LANDED AT VAN RIEBEECKSTRAND ON THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA

Proponent: MTN (Pty) Ltd

In terms of the amended EIA Regulations published under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), as amended, the proposed development of the ACE Cable System triggers a number of listed activities in terms Listing Notice 1 (No. R. 983 of Dec 2014), Listing Notice 2 (No. R. 984 of Dec 2014) and Listing Notice 3 (No. R. 985 of Dec 2014), in terms of section 24(2) and 24D of NEMA, which requires environmental authorisation via the undertaking of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). Based on the current regulations, the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) is the competent authority for the issuing of environmental authorisation for this proposed development. Should a Water Use License be required, an application will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation in terms of Chapter 4 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No 36 of 1998), in particular, Section 40(4).

The DSR will be made available in hardcopy and electronic form during the statutory 30-day public commenting period (7 November 2016 to 9 December 2016) at the following public venues:

Venue	Street	Contact Person and Number
Koeberg Public Library	Merchant Walk, Duynefontein, 7441	Ms. Roelda Brown 021 553 2514
Melkbosstrand Ratepayers Association	25 Jacobus Crescent, Duynefontein, 7441	Mrs. Smokie La Grange (Chairman) 073 357 6359

The complete DSR is also available on ACER's website: www.acer africa.co.za under 'Current Projects'.

Invitation to Comment

To submit your comment or obtain further information related to the proposed project, please contact the Public Participation Office by the **9 December 2016**:

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