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Dear Ms. Hester Lyons

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

**AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR PUBLIC  
COMMENT**

Herewith please find the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the above-mentioned development, which has been made available for authority review and comment for the period **3 April 2017 – 8 May 2017**.

Copies of the report have also been submitted to the following authorities:

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We look forward to receiving a response from your Department on the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the Proposed Marine Telecommunications System (ACE Cable System) to be landed at Van Riebeeckstrand on the West Coast of South Africa.

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Yours sincerely,



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