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**PROPOSED ISUNDU 765/400 KV SUB-STATION AND TURN-IN TRANSMISSION LINES
DEA EIA REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/745**

**AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AND WATER USE
LICENSE APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Herewith please find the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAR) and Water Use Licence (WULA) for the above-mentioned project. This DEIAR has also been made available for comment by members of the public.

Please note the following important aspects:

1. This draft report needed to be submitted within six months from the 3 June 2016 i.e. 3 December 2016, as per the Department's letter of the same date. Thus, please find the complete report as well as the WULA for record purposes.
2. It is ACER's understanding, based on correspondence, that this application was submitted under the 2010 EIA regulations and will still continue to be reviewed in terms of the 2010 Regulations.
3. As per my telephone conversation with Ms Olivia Letlalo on 19 October 2016 to confirm report numbers, the Department only requires two hard copies and one electronic copy of this DEIAR. Should additional copies be required, please contact ACER and further copies will be made available.

Copies (hard and/or CD) of this report have also been submitted to the following authorities:

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Hard copies have also been made and distributed to stakeholders who requested them. RCL (Pty) Ltd and their representatives requested three hard copies and these have been provided.

Yours sincerely,



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