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Dear Mr. Churchill

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED MARINE TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM (EQUIANO CABLE SYSTEM) TO BE LANDED AT MELKBOSSTRAND ON THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA.

The letter addressed to the Department of Mineral Resources Western Cape Regional Manager on the subject matter bears reference.

Thank you for your consultation with the Department of Mineral Resources (the "Department") proposed development. The Department has a number of offshore mining applications and rights in the broader Economic Exclusive Zone and along the west coast of South Africa, in order to provide constructive inputs please provide the geographical location (GIS shapefiles) of the proposed development. The Petroleum Agency of South Africa is another leading role player in the marine development space in terms of oil and gas exploration, it is therefore advisable that you extent the invitation for comments to them.

Hope you find the above in order. For any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact the official mentioned above.

Yours faithfully

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REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION

WESTERN CAPE REGION

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