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Attention: Shanaaz Isaacs

ELECTRICITY REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL (B20 – 2006): SUBMISSIONS AND HEARINGS

In respect of the above we hereby submit our comments:

Section 38:

1. That the period of 14 days as per Section 38 (2) (b) be extended to 30 days.
2. That the "specific period" mentioned in Section 38 (2) (d) must be clearly stated. It is proposed that the "specific period" be 30 days.
3. That it be clarified exactly what happens (next step) when the municipality has submitted the reasons for non-compliance.

Section 39:

1. That the municipality be also consulted when the revocation of authority is considered in terms of Section 39.
2. It is further proposed that in order to give the municipalities enough time to comply with the provisions of the Act, it is suggested that a period of 6 (six) months after the promulgation of the Act be allowed as implementation date.

Yours faithfully

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