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Dear Sir

**ESKOM'S INTENDED APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTION FROM COMPLIANCE WITH THE
MINIMUM EMISSION STANDARDS UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT:
AIR QUALITY ACT 39 OF 2004**

1. I refer to your letter of 3 November 2020 and I wish to apologise for the delay in responding to your letter.
2. Eskom submitted an application for exemption in terms of Section 59(1) (A) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004.
3. On 13 November 2020 I met with the CEO of Eskom, Mr. André de Ruyter, where the exemption application was discussed.
4. This meeting was organised and chaired by Minister Pravin Gordhan, as the Minister responsible for Public Enterprises.
5. I informed Mr De Ruyter that I will not issue Eskom with the exemption as requested in the application and subsequently, Eskom withdrew the application for exemption.

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6. Nothing contained in this letter must be understood as any concession or admission regarding any contention contained in your letter.

Yours sincerely



**MS B D CREECY, MP
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

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