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Dear Sir

**COMMENT ON THE PRE-APPLICATION BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (BAR) ATLAS TOWER (PTY) LTD:
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A 25M HIGH TELECOMMUNICATION TREE MAST ON THE REMAINDER
OF PORTION 112 OF THE FARM HANS MOES KRAAL NO. 202, GEORGE, WESTERN CAPE**

1. The abovementioned document received by this Department on 13 February 2019 refers.
2. This Department has reviewed the document and comment as follows:
 - 2.1. It is noted from the title of the abovementioned report as well as from the comments and responses report that the proposal is now for a 25m high mast and no longer for a 35-meter-high mast. However, inconsistencies are noted in the document where there is still references to a 35-metre high mast in the document. Please ensure that the correct information is circulated to prevent any confusion amongst Interested and Affected Parties.
 - 2.2. Furthermore, please indicate on what basis the proposal was revised and whether the 35-metre option represents an alternative, which is at this stage is no longer the preferred alternative.
 - 2.3. The BAR to be submitted to this Department must include a comparative assessment of all reasonable and feasible alternatives considered in the process in order to assist this Department to make an informed decision on the application.
3. This Department further encourages the sharing of masts by different service providers and co-locating on existing communication structures or tall structures. This Department supports the attachment of telecommunication broadcasting structures to existing structures/ masts in order to minimise visual impact. The BAR to be submitted to this Department must take into account this Department's guidelines on telecommunication structures/networks and mast sharing,

4. Notice is taken of the fact that you do not request consultation in terms of Regulation 8 of the EIA Regulations. However, this Department remains available for any form of consultation and advice.
5. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the pre-application.
6. This Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information from you based on any new or revised information received.

Yours faithfully



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