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MEDIA STATEMENT: CENTLEC WARNS THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES ABOUT THE NEW FREE SOLAR ENERGY SCAM

CENTLEC (Soc) Ltd, has noted with concern messages circulating on various Social Media Platforms wherein customers are promised discounts and savings on their electricity bill by unregistered suppliers. According to the voice note, the alleged supplier claims to offer free solar energy packages/solutions that can assist potential customers to minimise their consumption and ultimately be off the grid and further guarantee a stable supply without experiencing any loadshedding and power outages.

As CENTLEC, we would like to state it categorically that these malicious messages are false and misleading. We would like to warn the residents of Mangaung and business undertakings in all our supply of area that any installation of Small-Scale Embedded Generation (SSEG) systems are subjected to approval by CENTLEC.

This is to ensure that all the requirements laid down by the National Regulatory Standards, applicable legislations, and bylaws in terms of the embedded generation are complied with.

To apply for SSEG approval under CENTLECS' area of supply, interested residents or businesses should appoint a qualified SSEG designer and installer to apply on their behalf for the consideration and approval of their proposed installation. The application form for the SSEG installations can be obtained at our Customer Care offices located at the Power Station building in Fort Street. Only written applications will be considered.

For any inquiries or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Mxolisi Radebe at 051 409 2392 or email at: mxolisi.radebe@centlec.co.za

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