

MEDIA STATEMENT - FOR RELEASE ON 27 NOVEMBER 2015

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1. ADJUSTMENT TO THE FUEL PRICES: WEDNESDAY, 02 DECEMBER 2015

Product:

Petrol 95 and 93 (ULP & LRP)	1.000 cents per litre increase in retail price
Diesel 0.05% Sulphur	3.800 cents per litre decrease in wholesale price
Diesel 0.005% Sulphur	1.800 cents per litre decrease in wholesale price
ILLuminating Paraffin (Wholesale)	0.200 cents per litre increase in wholesale price
ILLuminating Paraffin (SMNRP)	1.000 c/l increase in the Single Maximum National Retail price (SMNRP)
Maximum Retail Price for LPGAS	4.000 cents per kilogram decrease in the maximum retail price

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATORY ACCOUNTS SYSTEM MARGINS ON PETROL AND ADJUSTMENTS TO DIESEL AND IP MARGINS

The Minister of Energy has approved the implementation of the Regulatory Accounts System margins with an adjustment of 7.9 c/l on petrol and a 2.2 c/l adjustment to margins applicable in the wholesale list price structures of diesel and IP with effect from 02 December 2015. The new margins are reflected in Annexure 1 (Paragraph 12) below.

3. ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING THE UNIT OVER/UNDER-RECOVERIES FOR THE PERIOD 30 OCTOBER 2015 TO 26 NOVEMBER 2015

The average international product prices of Petrol, Diesel and Illuminating Paraffin decreased during the period under review.

The Rand weakened against the US Dollar, on average, when compared to the previous period. The average Rand/US Dollar exchange rate for the period 30 October 2015 to 26 November 2015 was 14.0938 compared to 13.4734 during the previous period.

The weakening of the Rand against the US Dollar increased the contribution to the Basic Fuels Price on petrol, diesel and illuminating paraffin by 24.57 c/l, 24.34 c/l and 24.23 c/l respectively.

4. SLATE LEVY

In line with the Self-Adjusting Slate Levy Mechanism Rules, the Slate levy on petrol and diesel will remain at 0.00 c/l with effect from 02 December 2015.

5. SINGLE MAXIMUM NATIONAL RETAIL PRICE FOR ILLUMINATING PARAFFIN (SMNRP)

The Single Maximum National Retail Price for the period 02 December 2015 to 05 January 2016 will be 912.0 c/l compared to 911.0 c/l for the period 04 November 2015 to 01 December 2015, this is an increase of 1.0 c/l.

6. MAXIMUM LPGAS REFINERY GATE PRICE

The maximum refinery gate price will be R 7 155.83 per metric ton (397.15 c/l), excluding VAT, for the period 02 December 2015 to 05 January 2016.

7. PRICE ADJUSTMENT

In terms of the agreed mechanism:

- (a) Price changes are adjusted in such a manner that the over-or under-recovery during the prior month will be corrected in the following month; and
- (b) The unit over- or under-recoveries are rounded up or down to the nearest full cent so that the effect of rounding contributes to the clearing of the cumulative balance of the individual products on the slate.
- (c) In order to manage a negative balance in the Cumulative over/(under) recovery account (the Slate), a Self-Adjusting Slate Levy Mechanism (SLM) was implemented with effect from 7 January 2009 (the SLM is available on the website of the Department of Energy). A Slate levy will only be applicable on all petrol and diesel grades if the Slate balance is negative (cumulative under recovery) by more than R250.0 million

8. ANALYSIS OF THE ELEMENTS THAT RESULTED IN THE BFP OVER/(UNDER)-RECOVERIES

The over/(under)-recoveries for the period under review were affected by the factors set out below, which can be quantified as follows:

	Petrol 95 ULP c/l	** Diesel 0.05% c/l	** Diesel 0.005% c/l	Illuminating Paraffin c/l
<u>Movements in external factors</u>				
Movement in International Product Prices	30.602	29.479	28.112	26.309
Movement in Exchange Rate	(24.569)	(24.336)	(24.654)	(24.226)
<u>BFP Over/(under)-recovery for the period 30/10/2015 to 26/11/2015</u>	6.033	5.143	3.458	2.083

9. BREAKDOWN OF PRICE ADJUSTMENT

	Diesel 0.05(%) Sulphur	Diesel 0.005(%) Sulphur	Illuminating Paraffin Wholesale	LPGAS (Gauteng, Zone 9C)
Petrol 95 ULP & LRP				

The price adjustments in (1) above are based on the following actual data:

Average product over/(under)-recovery, measured for the 20 days from 30/10/2015 to 26/11/2015 (cents / litre) as detailed below

	6.033	5.143	3.458	2.083	N/A
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Cumulative positive/(negative) slate balances end of October 2015 (R-million)

	2 591.033	2 641.390	2 641.390	(198.915)
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The price adjustments consist of the following elements:

	<u>c/l</u>	<u>c/l</u>	<u>c/l</u>	<u>c/l</u>	
Average product over/(under)-recovery rounded to the nearest full cent for price (increase) / decrease	7.000	6.000	4.000	2.000	
Increase in Retail Margin	(6.000)				
Decrease in Wholesale Margin	0.300				
Increase in Secondary Storage	(1.100)	(1.100)	(1.100)	(1.100)	
Increase in Secondary Distribution	(1.100)	(1.100)	(1.100)	(1.100)	
Pump Rounding	(0.100)				
LPGas BFP, Retail and VAT (increase)/decrease				4.000	
<u>Total price (increase) / decrease</u>	(1.000)	3.800	1.800	(0.200)	4.000

10. REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The report of the independent auditors is available on request.

11. COMPOSITION OF THE MAXIMUM RETAIL PRICES FOR LPGAS AT THE COAST (ZONE 1A) AND IN THE INLAND AREA (ZONE 9C) IN CENTS PER KILOGRAM FOR THE PERIOD 02/12/2015 TO 05/01/2016 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS

<u>Price element</u>	Coast Zone 1A	Inland Zone 9C
Maximum refinery gate price	715.583	715.583
Primary transport costs	37.120	175.960
Operating expenses	343.000	343.000
Working capital	26.000	26.000
Depreciation	126.000	126.000
Gross margin: Cylinder-filling plant	161.000	161.000
Sub-total (1)	1 408.703	1 547.543
Retail Margin: (15% of Subtotal (1))	211.305	232.131
Sub-total (2)	1 620.008	1 779.674
Value Added Tax (14% Sub-total (2))	226.801	249.154
Maximum Retail Price (Rounded to full cents)	1 847.000	2 029.000

12. The annexure attached contains details of the composition of product prices as well as history of the price changes.

ANNEXURE 1

**COMPOSITION OF THE RETAIL PRICE OF PETROL AND THE
WHOLESALE PRICES FOR DIESEL AND IP IN GAUTENG
FOR THE PERIOD 02/12/2015 TO 05/01/2016 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:**

	Petrol 95 ULP c/l	Petrol 93 ULP & LRP c/l	Diesel 0.05% S c/l	Diesel 0.005% S c/l	Illumi- nating Paraffin c/l
Wholesale margin	33.200	33.200	64.700	64.700	64.700
Secondary Storage	18.500	18.500	18.500	18.500	18.500
Secondary Distribution	13.700	13.700	13.700	13.700	13.700
Router Differential	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	7.400
Retail margin	161.700	161.700	0.000	0.000	0.000
Zone differential in Gauteng	35.300	35.300	35.300	35.300	55.600
IP Tracer levy	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.010	0.000
Fuel levy	255.000	255.000	240.000	240.000	0.000
Customs & excise duty	4.000	4.000	4.000	4.000	0.000
RAF levy	154.000	154.000	154.000	154.000	0.000
Petroleum Products levy	0.330	0.330	0.330	0.330	0.000
Slate levy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
DSML	10.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Equalisation Fund Levy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Pump Rounding	0.300	0.300			
Sub-total	686.030	676.030	530.540	530.540	159.900
<u>Contribution to the Basic Fuel Price</u>	553.970	532.970	550.630	558.030	550.128
<u>Retail Price</u>	<u>1 240.00</u>	<u>1 209.00</u>			
<u>Wholesale price</u>			<u>1 081.170</u>	<u>1 088.570</u>	<u>710.028</u>

STATISTICS OF PRICE CHANGES

<u>Effective from:</u>	Petrol 95 ULP		Diesel		Illuminating Paraffin		LPGAS	
	Gauteng SA c/l	Coast SA c/l	Gauteng SA c/l	Coast SA c/l	Gauteng SA c/l	Coast SA c/l	Gauteng SA c/Kg	Coast SA c/Kg
	From 4 January 2006 0,05% Sulphur							
04-Jan-12	1 061.00	1 031.00	1027.690	1007.290	788.428	752.528	2 121.00	1 939.00
01-Feb-12	1 095.00	1 065.00	1026.690	1006.290	785.428	749.528	2 171.00	1 989.00
07-Mar-12	1 123.00	1 093.00	1037.070	1016.670	789.428	753.528	2 207.00	2 025.00
04-Apr-12	1 194.00	1 159.00	1088.970	1064.270	816.028	774.128	2 275.00	2 093.00
02-May-12	1 222.00	1 187.00	1098.370	1073.670	825.028	783.128	2 306.00	2 124.00
06-Jun-12	1 167.00	1 132.00	1073.550	1048.850	804.028	762.128	2 207.00	2 025.00
04-Jul-12	1 082.00	1 047.00	1010.970	986.270	746.028	704.128	2 094.00	1 912.00
01-Aug-12	1 104.00	1 069.00	1025.590	1000.890	761.028	719.128	2 146.00	1 964.00
05-Sep-12	1 197.00	1 162.00	1094.590	1069.890	834.028	792.128	2 275.00	2 093.00
03-Oct-12	1 220.00	1 185.00	1133.750	1109.050	867.028	825.128	2 272.00	2 090.00
07-Nov-12	1 210.00	1 175.00	1143.950	1119.250	870.028	828.128	2 273.00	2 091.00
05-Dec-12	1 201.00	1 166.00	1138.950	1114.250	866.028	824.128	2 238.00	2 056.00
02-Jan-13	1 186.00	1 151.00	1111.370	1086.670	849.028	807.128	2 229.00	2 047.00
06-Feb-13	1 227.00	1 192.00	1129.170	1104.470	875.028	833.128	2 302.00	2 120.00
06-Mar-13	1 308.00	1 273.00	1187.550	1162.850	932.028	890.128	2 420.00	2 238.00
03-Apr-13	1 320.00	1 283.00	1196.610	1170.010	906.228	860.328	2 365.00	2 183.00
01-May-13	1 247.00	1 210.00	1141.050	1114.450	848.228	802.328	2 284.00	2 102.00
05-Jun-13	1 239.00	1 202.00	1137.070	1110.470	849.228	803.328	2 289.00	2 107.00
03-Jul-13	1 323.00	1 286.00	1215.270	1188.670	924.228	878.328	2 418.00	2 236.00
07-Aug-13	1 355.00	1 318.00	1248.230	1221.630	949.228	903.328	2 440.00	2 258.00
04-Sep-13	1 350.00	1 313.00	1262.050	1235.450	974.228	928.328	2 449.00	2 267.00
02-Oct-13	1 330.00	1 293.00	1260.050	1233.450	970.228	924.328	2 409.00	2 227.00
06-Nov-13	1 302.00	1 265.00	1244.850	1218.250	954.228	908.328	2 368.00	2 186.00
04-Dec-13	1 319.00	1 282.00	1254.970	1228.370	970.728	924.828	2 386.00	2 204.00
01-Jan-14	1 357.00	1 320.00	1287.150	1260.550	1009.728	963.828	2 442.00	2 260.00
05-Feb-14	1 396.00	1 359.00	1311.350	1284.750	1021.728	975.828	2 496.00	2 314.00
05-Mar-14	1 432.00	1 395.00	1338.550	1311.950	1037.728	991.828	2 554.00	2 372.00
02-Apr-14	1 439.00	1 398.00	1329.750	1299.150	1003.228	953.028	2 532.00	2 350.00
07-May-14	1 424.00	1 383.00	1299.970	1269.370	984.228	934.028	2 528.00	2 346.00
04-Jun-14	1 402.00	1 361.00	1276.390	1245.790	974.228	924.028	2 501.00	2 319.00
02-Jul-14	1 433.00	1 392.00	1290.390	1259.790	997.228	947.028	2 559.00	2 377.00
06-Aug-14	1 433.00	1 392.00	1284.770	1254.170	990.228	940.028	2 547.00	2 365.00
03-Sep-14	1 366.00	1 325.00	1259.390	1228.790	971.228	921.028	2 439.00	2 257.00
01-Oct-14	1 361.00	1 320.00	1246.390	1215.790	957.228	907.028	2 451.00	2 269.00
05-Nov-14	1 316.00	1 275.00	1185.390	1154.790	905.228	855.028	2 346.00	2 164.00
03-Dec-14	1 247.00	1 206.00	1132.090	1101.490	855.928	805.728	2 221.00	2 039.00
07-Jan-15	1 124.00	1 083.00	1028.090	997.490	747.928	697.728	2 011.00	1 829.00
04-Feb-15	1 031.00	990.00	926.090	895.490	645.928	595.728	1 861.00	1 679.00
04-Mar-15	1 127.00	1 086.00	1000.090	969.490	718.928	668.728	2 015.00	1 833.00
01-Apr-15	1 289.00	1 246.00	1122.790	1090.090	743.828	690.828	2 100.00	1 918.00
06-May-15	1 289.00	1 246.00	1117.790	1085.090	738.828	685.828	2 117.00	1 935.00
03-Jun-15	1 336.00	1 293.00	1166.790	1134.090	780.828	727.828	2 217.00	2 035.00
01-Jul-15	1 377.00	1 334.00	1170.790	1138.090	786.828	733.828	2 273.00	2 091.00
05-Aug-15	1 326.00	1 283.00	1094.970	1062.270	716.828	663.828	2 184.00	2 002.00
02-Sep-15	1 257.00	1 214.00	1040.970	1008.270	661.828	608.828	2 069.00	1 887.00
07-Oct-15	1 261.00	1 218.00	1093.970	1061.270	711.828	658.828	2 080.00	1 898.00
04-Nov-15	1 239.00	1 196.00	1084.970	1052.270	709.828	656.828	2 033.00	1 851.00
02-Dec-15	1 240.00	1 197.00	1081.170	1048.470	710.028	657.028	2 029.00	1 847.00