

MEDIA STATEMENT - FOR RELEASE ON 27 SEPTEMBER 2024

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1. PRICE CHANGES TO BE EFFECTED ON WEDNESDAY 02 OCTOBER 2024 IN GAUTENG (INCREASE) / DECREASE

Product:

Petrol 93 (ULP & LRP)	106.00	cents per litre decrease in retail price
Petrol 95 (ULP & LRP)	114.00	cents per litre decrease in retail price
Diesel 0.05% Sulphur	114.00	cents per litre decrease in wholesale price
Diesel 0.005% Sulphur	112.00	cents per litre decrease in wholesale price
Illuminating Paraffin (Wholesale)	111.00	cents per litre decrease in wholesale price
Illuminating Paraffin (SMNRP)	148.00	cents per litre decrease in the Single Maximum National Retail price (SMNRP)
Maximum Retail Price for LPGAS	(23.00)	cents per kilogram increase in the maximum retail price

2. ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING THE UNIT OVER/UNDER-RECOVERIES FOR THE PERIOD 30 AUGUST 2024 TO 26 SEPTEMBER 2024

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

The Rand appreciated against the US Dollar during the period under review, on average, when compared to the previous period. The average Rand/US Dollar exchange rate for the period 30 August 2024 to 26 September 2024 was 17.6723 compared to 18.0578 during the previous period. This led to a lower contribution to the Basic Fuel Prices on petrol, diesel and illuminating paraffin by 21.91 c/l, 22.33 c/l, 22.44c/l respectively.

3. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AFFECTED MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT ZONES (MDZ) DUE TO TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE PORT OF PORT ELIZABETH

The Minister has approved an interim adjustment of all the affected Magisterial District Zones (MDZ) in Nelson Mandela Bay, due to the temporary closure of the Port of Port Elizabeth with effect from 02 October 2024. The affected zones are indicated on the Fuel Price Schedule for October 2024. The adjustments to the road transport tariffs applicable in petrol, diesel and IP structures will range from a decrease of 0.9 c/l (Zone 9A) to an increase of 10.5 c/l (Zone 8B).

4. ADJUSTMENT TO THE OCTANE DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN 95 AND 93 BFP OCTANE

In terms of the Working Rules to administer the BFP, the differentials between 95 and 93 petrol grades are adjusted at the beginning of each quarter. The BFP differentials between 95 and 93 petrol grades have changed and therefore the different price adjustments between the two grades.

5. SLATE LEVY

In line with the provisions of the Self-Adjusting Slate Levy Mechanism, the Slate Levy on petrol and diesel will remain at 0.00 c/l with effect from 02 October 2024.

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

The Single Maximum National Retail Price for the period 02 October 2024 to 05 November 2024 will be 1 608.0 c/l compared to 1 756.0 c/l for the period 04 September 2024 to 01 October 2024.

7. MAXIMUM LPGAS REFINERY GATE PRICE

The maximum refinery gate price will be R 13 701.76 per metric ton (760.448 c/l), excluding VAT, for the period 02 October 2024 to 05 November 2024.

8. 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 and slate ranges adjusted with effected from 7 September 2022 (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 R500.0 million.

9. 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	91.742	91.373	88.723	87.638
Movement in Exchange Rate	21.906	22.332	22.673	22.436
<u>BFP Over/(under)-recovery for the period 30/08/2024 to 26/09/2024</u>	113.648	113.705	111.396	110.074

10. BREAKDOWN OF PRICE ADJUSTMENT

	Petrol 95 ULP & LRP	Diesel 0.05 (%) Sulphur	Diesel 0.005 (%) Sulphur	Illuminating Paraffin Wholesale	LPGAS (Gauteng, Zone 9C)
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The price adjustments in (1) above are based on the following actual data:

Average product over/(under)-recovery, measured for the 20 days from 30/08/2024 to 26/09/2024 (cents / litre) as detailed below

113.648	113.705	111.396	110.074	-
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Cumulative positive/(negative) slate balances end of August 2024 (R-million)

1,245.467	2,593.037	2,593.037	105.776	-
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The price adjustments consist of the following elements:

Average product over/(under)-recovery rounded to the nearest full cent for price (increase) / decrease

114.000	114.000	112.000	111.000	(23.000)
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Total price (increase) / decrease

114.000	114.000	112.000	111.000	(23.000)
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11. REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The report of the independent auditors is available on request.

12.

**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 02/10/2024 TO 05/11/2024 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:**

Price element	Coast Zone 1A	Inland Zone 9C
Maximum refinery gate price	1 370.176	1 370.176
Primary transport costs	59.822	283.575
Operating expenses	536.315	536.315
Working capital	40.653	40.653
Depreciation	218.290	218.290
Gross margin: Cylinder-filling plant	278.924	278.924
Sub-total (1)	2 504.181	2 727.933
Retail Margin: (15% of Subtotal (1))	375.627	409.190
Sub-total (2)	2 879.808	3 137.123
Value Added Tax (15% Sub-total (2))	431.971	470.568
Maximum Retail Price (Rounded to full cents)	3 312.000	3 608.000

13. 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 02/10/2024 TO 05/11/2024 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	69.800	69.800	89.610	89.610	89.610
Secondary Storage	36.600	36.600	36.600	36.600	36.600
Secondary Distribution	17.200	17.200	17.200	17.200	17.200
Router Differential	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	7.400
Retail margin	291.000	291.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Zone differential in Gauteng	82.800	82.800	82.800	82.800	103.000
IP Tracer levy	0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000	0.000
Fuel levy	396.000	396.000	384.000	384.000	0.000
Customs & excise duty	4.000	4.000	4.000	4.000	0.000
RAF levy	218.000	218.000	218.000	218.000	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
Pump Rounding	0.200	0.200	0.000	0.000	0.000
Sub-total	1 115.930	1 115.930	833.540	833.540	253.810
<u>Contribution to the Basic Fuel Price</u>	989.070	957.070	1 011.630	1 023.030	1 012.128
<u>Retail Price</u>	<u>2,105.00</u>	<u>2,073.00</u>			
<u>Wholesale price</u>			<u>1,845.170</u>	<u>1,856.570</u>	<u>1,265.938</u>

STATISTICS OF PRICE CHANGES

	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
05-Jan-22	1,961.00	1,889.00	1,724.680	1,663.180	1,096.688	1,014.788	3,500.00	3,259.00
02-Feb-22	2,014.00	1,942.00	1,804.520	1,743.020	1,197.688	1,115.788	3,376.00	3,134.00
02-Mar-22	2,160.00	2,088.00	1,948.880	1,887.380	1,318.688	1,236.788	3,446.00	3,204.00
06-Apr-22	2,196.00	2,124.00	2,101.440	2,039.940	1,584.688	1,502.788	3,696.00	3,454.00
04-May-22	2,184.00	2,109.00	2,199.440	2,134.240	1,664.288	1,585.088	3,765.00	3,523.00
01-Jun-22	2,417.00	2,352.00	2,309.440	2,244.240	1,820.288	1,741.088	3,714.00	3,472.00
06-Jul-22	2,674.00	2,609.00	2,540.440	2,475.240	1,986.288	1,907.088	3,496.00	3,255.00
03-Aug-22	2,542.00	2,477.00	2,452.440	2,387.240	1,842.288	1,763.088	3,553.00	3,311.00
07-Sep-22	2,338.00	2,273.00	2,396.100	2,330.900	1,760.288	1,681.088	3,388.00	3,146.00
05-Oct-22	2,236.00	2,171.00	2,406.100	2,340.900	1,699.288	1,620.088	3,407.00	3,166.00
02-Nov-22	2,287.00	2,222.00	2,548.960	2,483.760	1,776.288	1,697.088	3,309.00	3,068.00
07-Dec-22	2,346.00	2,281.00	2,391.770	2,326.570	1,718.958	1,639.758	3,404.00	3,146.00
04-Jan-23	2,140.00	2,075.00	2,122.870	2,057.670	1,525.958	1,446.758	3,486.00	3,227.00
01-Feb-23	2,168.00	2,103.00	2,132.030	2,066.830	1,583.958	1,504.758	3,346.00	3,087.00
01-Mar-23	2,295.00	2,230.00	2,162.410	2,097.210	1,596.958	1,517.758	3,868.00	3,610.00
05-Apr-23	2,297.00	2,225.00	2,088.830	2,016.630	1,472.058	1,379.558	3,776.00	3,517.00
03-May-23	2,334.00	2,262.00	2,015.290	1,943.090	1,439.058	1,346.558	3,332.00	3,073.00
07-Jun-23	2,263.00	2,191.00	1,931.290	1,859.090	1,396.058	1,303.558	3,407.00	3,148.00
05-Jul-23	2,246.00	2,174.00	1,949.290	1,877.090	1,392.058	1,299.558	3,111.00	2,853.00
02-Aug-23	2,283.00	2,211.00	2,021.290	1,949.090	1,463.058	1,370.558	2,950.00	2,691.00
06-Sep-23	2,454.00	2,382.00	2,305.290	2,233.090	1,741.058	1,648.558	3,176.00	2,917.00
04-Oct-23	2,568.00	2,496.00	2,501.990	2,429.790	1,892.058	1,799.558	3,426.00	3,167.00
01-Nov-23	2,390.00	2,318.00	2,416.910	2,344.710	1,795.058	1,702.558	3,575.00	3,316.00
06-Dec-23	2,325.00	2,253.00	2,181.490	2,109.290	1,623.938	1,531.438	3,742.00	3,446.00
03-Jan-24	2,249.00	2,177.00	2,063.170	1,990.970	1,530.938	1,438.438	3,753.00	3,457.00
07-Feb-24	2,324.00	2,252.00	2,136.170	2,063.970	1,583.938	1,491.438	3,790.00	3,494.00
06-Mar-24	2,445.00	2,373.00	2,241.870	2,169.870	1,647.938	1,555.438	3,831.00	3,535.00
03-Apr-24	2,512.00	2,433.00	2,245.090	2,166.090	1,618.938	1,519.738	3,812.00	3,516.00
01-May-24	2,549.00	2,470.00	2,215.090	2,136.090	1,599.938	1,500.738	3,766.00	3,470.00
05-Jun-24	2,425.00	2,346.00	2,096.550	2,017.550	1,519.938	1,420.738	3,631.00	3,335.00
04-Jul-24	2,326.00	2,247.00	2,066.170	1,987.170	1,501.938	1,402.738	3,609.00	3,313.00
07-Aug-24	2,311.00	2,232.00	2,038.170	1,959.170	1,479.938	1,380.738	3,595.00	3,299.00
04-Sep-24	2,219.00	2,140.00	1,959.170	1,880.170	1,376.938	1,277.738	3,585.00	3,289.00
02-Oct-24	2,105.00	2,026.00	1,845.170	1,766.370	1,265.938	1,166.938	3,608.00	3,312.00