

**MEDIA STATEMENT - FOR RELEASE ON 27 AUGUST 2021**

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**1. PRICE CHANGES TO BE EFFECTED ON WEDNESDAY 01 SEPTEMBER 2021 IN GAUTENG (INCREASE) / DECREASE**

Product:

Both Grades of Petrol 93 & 95

(ULP & LRP)	(4.00)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in retail price
Diesel 0.05% Sulphur	15.22	cents per litre <b>decrease</b> in wholesale price
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Illuminating Paraffin (Wholesale)	15.00	cents per litre <b>decrease</b> in wholesale price
Illuminating Paraffin (SMNRP)	20.00	cents per litre <b>decrease</b> in the Single Maximum National Retail price (SMNRP)
Maximum Retail Price for LPGAS	(94.00)	cents per kilogram <b>increase</b> in the maximum retail price

**2. ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING THE UNIT OVER/UNDER-RECOVERIES FOR THE PERIOD 30 JULY 2021 TO 26 AUGUST 2021**

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

The Rand depreciated 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 July 2021 to 26 August 2021 was 14.7791 compared to 14.5359 during the previous period. This led to a higher contribution to the Basic Fuel Prices on petrol, diesel and illuminating paraffin by 13.23 c/l, 12.16 c/l and 11.96 c/l respectively.

**3. INCREASE IN THE RETAIL MARGIN APPLICABLE TO PETROL**

The Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy has approved a retail margin increase of 5.7 c/l to be effected in the retail price structures of all octane grades of petrol with effect from 01 September 2021. This increase is necessary to accommodate the wage increases of pump attendants, cashiers and administrative staff at service

**4. SLATE LEVY**

The combined cumulative petrol and diesel Slate balances at the end of July 2021 amounted to a negative balance of R1.736 billion. In line with the provisions of the Self-Adjusting Slate Levy Mechanism, a Slate Levy of 15.36 c/l (increase of 8.78 c/l) will have to be implemented into the price structures of petrol and diesel with effect from 01 September 2021.

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

The Single Maximum National Retail Price for the period 01 September 2021 to 05 October 2021 will be 1 197.0 c/l compared to 1 217.0 c/l for the period 04 August 2021 to 31 August 2021.

**6. MAXIMUM LPGAS REFINERY GATE PRICE**

The maximum refinery gate price will be R12 259.14 per metric ton (680.38 c/l), excluding VAT, for the period 01 September 2021 to 05 October 2021.

## 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
<b>Movements in external factors</b>				
Movement in International Product Prices	24.181	36.481	36.114	27.683
Movement in Exchange Rate	( 13.230)	( 12.160)	( 12.209)	( 11.962)
<b>BFP Over/(under)-recovery for the period 30/07/2021 to 26/08/2021</b>	<b>10.951</b>	<b>24.321</b>	<b>23.905</b>	<b>15.721</b>

## 9. 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 30/07/2021 to 26/08/2021 (cents / litre) as detailed below

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Cumulative positive/(negative) slate balances end of July 2021 (R-million)	( 823.569)	( 912.621)	( 912.621)	( 94.997)	-

The price adjustments consist of the following elements:

	c/l	c/l	c/l	c/l	
Average product over/(under)-recovery rounded to the nearest full cent for price (increase) / decrease	10.000	24.000	23.000	15.000	( 94.000)
(Increase) on Retail Margin on Petrol	( 5.700)	-	-	-	-
(Increase) in Slate levy	( 8.780)	( 8.780)	( 8.780)	-	-
Pump rounding	0.480	-	-	-	-
<b>Total price (increase) / decrease</b>	<b>( 4.000)</b>	<b>15.220</b>	<b>14.220</b>	<b>15.000</b>	<b>( 94.000)</b>

## 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 01/09/2021 TO 05/10/2021 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:**

Price element	Coast Zone 1A	Inland Zone 9C
Maximum refinery gate price	1 225.914	1 225.914
Primary transport costs	47.588	225.582
Operating expenses	464.757	464.757
Working capital	35.228	35.228
Depreciation	173.648	173.648
Gross margin: Cylinder-filling plant	221.883	221.883
Sub-total (1)	<b>2 169.018</b>	<b>2 347.012</b>
Retail Margin: (15% of Subtotal (1))	325.353	352.052
Sub-total (2)	<b>2 494.371</b>	<b>2 699.064</b>
Value Added Tax (15% Sub-total (2))	374.156	404.860
<b>Maximum Retail Price (Rounded to full cents)</b>	<b>2 869.000</b>	<b>3 104.000</b>

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 01/09/2021 TO 05/10/2021 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	40.500	40.500	77.660	77.660	77.660
Secondary Storage	27.200	27.200	27.200	27.200	27.200
Secondary Distribution	15.800	15.800	15.800	15.800	15.800
Router Differential	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	7.400
Retail margin	<b>227.300</b>	<b>227.300</b>	0.000	0.000	0.000
Zone differential in Gauteng	64.900	64.900	64.900	64.900	85.300
IP Tracer levy	0.000	0.000	0.100	0.100	0.000
Fuel levy	393.000	393.000	379.000	379.000	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	<b>15.360</b>	<b>15.360</b>	<b>15.360</b>	<b>15.360</b>	0.000
DSML	10.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Pump Rounding	0.500	0.500			
Sub-total	1 016.890	1 006.890	802.350	802.350	213.360
<u>Contribution to the Basic Fuel Price</u>	817.110	808.110	746.630	750.030	735.128
<u>Retail Price</u>	<u>1,834.00</u>	<u>1,815.00</u>			
<u>Wholesale price</u>			<u>1,548.980</u>	<u>1,552.380</u>	<u>948.488</u>

**STATISTICS OF PRICE CHANGES**

Effective from:	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
02-Jan-19	1 401.00	1 342.00	<b>1313.420</b>	<b>1264.620</b>	828.678	768.178	2 319.00	2 106.00
06-Feb-19	1 408.00	1 349.00	<b>1314.420</b>	<b>1265.620</b>	823.678	763.178	2 308.00	2 095.00
06-Mar-19	1 482.00	1 423.00	<b>1405.420</b>	<b>1356.620</b>	899.678	839.178	2 409.00	2 196.00
03-Apr-19	1 613.00	1 549.00	<b>1487.120</b>	<b>1432.920</b>	962.678	895.478	2 580.00	2 367.00
01-May-19	1 667.00	1 603.00	<b>1488.120</b>	<b>1433.920</b>	965.678	898.478	2 664.00	2 451.00
05-Jun-19	1 676.00	1 612.00	<b>1521.280</b>	<b>1467.080</b>	973.678	906.478	2 657.00	2 443.00
03-Jul-19	1 581.00	1 517.00	<b>1446.500</b>	<b>1392.300</b>	916.678	849.478	2 524.00	2 310.00
07-Aug-19	1 592.00	1 528.00	<b>1433.210</b>	<b>1379.010</b>	914.678	847.478	2 555.00	2 342.00
04-Sep-19	1 603.00	1 539.00	<b>1459.210</b>	<b>1405.010</b>	938.678	871.478	2 539.00	2 326.00
02-Oct-19	1 621.00	1 557.00	<b>1484.210</b>	<b>1430.010</b>	963.678	896.478	2 556.00	2 343.00
06-Nov-19	1 608.00	1 544.00	<b>1468.210</b>	<b>1414.010</b>	940.678	873.478	2 526.00	2 313.00
04-Dec-19	1 630.00	1 566.00	<b>1453.260</b>	<b>1399.060</b>	922.728	855.528	2 628.00	2 403.00
01-Jan-20	1 616.00	1 552.00	<b>1462.260</b>	<b>1408.060</b>	927.728	860.528	2 604.00	2 379.00
05-Feb-20	1 603.00	1 539.00	<b>1457.260</b>	<b>1403.060</b>	924.728	857.528	2 603.00	2 378.00
03-Mar-20	1 584.00	1 520.00	<b>1403.260</b>	<b>1349.060</b>	856.728	789.528	2 571.00	2 346.00
01-Apr-20	1 396.00	1 326.00	<b>1269.560</b>	<b>1209.260</b>	672.828	591.728	2 193.00	1 968.00
06-May-20	1 222.00	1 152.00	<b>1108.560</b>	<b>1048.260</b>	449.828	368.728	1 931.00	1 706.00
03-Jun-20	1 340.00	1 270.00	<b>1130.560</b>	<b>1070.260</b>	489.828	408.728	2 129.00	1 904.00
01-Jul-20	1 512.00	1 442.00	<b>1303.560</b>	<b>1243.260</b>	703.828	622.728	2 577.00	2 352.00
05-Aug-20	1 517.00	1 447.00	<b>1348.560</b>	<b>1288.260</b>	742.828	661.728	2 573.00	2 348.00
02-Sep-20	1 518.00	1 448.00	<b>1327.560</b>	<b>1267.260</b>	716.828	635.728	2 609.00	2 384.00
07-Oct-20	1 486.00	1 416.00	<b>1237.560</b>	<b>1177.260</b>	640.828	559.728	2 589.00	2 364.00
04-Nov-20	1 459.00	1 389.00	<b>1225.560</b>	<b>1165.260</b>	655.828	574.728	2 615.00	2 389.00
02-Dec-20	1 446.00	1 376.00	<b>1245.420</b>	<b>1185.120</b>	684.688	603.588	2 752.00	2 516.00
06-Jan-21	1 486.00	1 416.00	<b>1300.420</b>	<b>1240.120</b>	739.688	658.588	2 708.00	2 472.00
03-Feb-21	1 567.00	1 497.00	<b>1358.420</b>	<b>1298.120</b>	798.688	717.588	2 901.00	2 666.00
03-Mar-21	1 632.00	1 562.00	<b>1412.420</b>	<b>1352.120</b>	845.688	764.588	2 988.00	2 752.00
07-Apr-21	1 732.00	1 661.00	<b>1477.620</b>	<b>1416.120</b>	880.488	798.588	3 036.00	2 801.00
05-May-21	1 723.00	1 651.00	<b>1446.620</b>	<b>1385.120</b>	857.488	775.588	2 864.00	2 628.00
02-Jun-21	1 713.00	1 641.00	<b>1466.620</b>	<b>1405.120</b>	877.488	795.588	2 721.00	2 486.00
07-Jul-21	1 739.00	1 667.00	<b>1508.620</b>	<b>1447.120</b>	913.488	831.588	2 784.00	2 549.00
04-Aug-21	1 830.00	1 758.00	<b>1564.200</b>	<b>1502.700</b>	963.488	881.588	3 010.00	2 775.00
01-Sep-21	1 834.00	1 762.00	<b>1548.980</b>	<b>1487.480</b>	948.488	866.588	3 104.00	2 869.00