

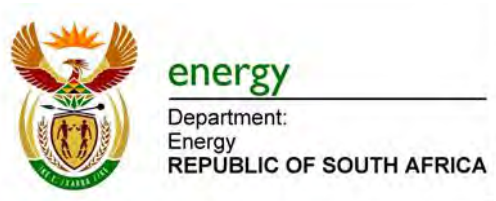
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THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ACT (No 58 of 2003) WORKSHOP IN THE LIMPOPO REGION, WATERBERG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

During a Petroleum Products Act (PPA) workshop hosted by the Department of Energy, officials engaged residents of Bela-Bela in the Waterberg District Municipality on legislation, processes and systems that govern the Petroleum Industry in South Africa. The workshop forms part of a series of quarterly awareness campaigns conducted by the department across all provinces. .

Implemented in partnership with other government entities, officials at the workshop made presentations on the legislative mandate, licensing processes that govern the petroleum industry as well as compliance requirements, while cautioning attendees on the dangers inherent in non-compliance. While promoting awareness of legislation, processes and systems, the workshop also brought awareness of the business opportunities available within the sector. Participants were informed of entrepreneurship opportunities in manufacturing, wholesaling and retailing of petroleum products. Existing license holders were also reminded of compliance requirements, and also brought up to speed of new developments within the sector. Supporting entities present at the workshop included the National Empowerment Fund and the NYDA who informed participants of the funding and capacity building available from their organisations. While the Limpopo provincial and municipal departments shared information unique to the province in terms of the Environmental Impact study requirements, national and provincial road access issues, as well town planning and rezoning matters.

The next session is due in Gauteng and you are welcome to attend on Friday, 10 March 2017 at 8:00 – 16:00, Avianto Conference Centre, Mogale City. To register before end of business on Monday, 6 March 2017, submit your name and surname, contact details, and email address to lister.mbowane@energy.gov.za or 012 406 7631. View the advert at www.energy.gov.za and in some newspapers.



In case you missed attending any of the workshops held across the provinces go to www.energy.gov.za where the presentations are uploaded. For more information on the issues presented and discussed at the workshops as reflected in the presentations, note that the staff of the DoE's Regional Offices are available to assist. Find Regional Office details on the website or our social media platforms.

NB:

The Petroleum and Products Act, in issuing any petroleum licenses aspires to achieve the objectives of: promoting an efficient manufacturing; wholesaling and retailing petroleum industry; facilitate an environment conducive to efficient and commercially justifiable investments; creation of employment opportunities and the development small business in the petroleum sector; ensuring countrywide availability of petroleum products at competitive prices; and to promote access to affordable petroleum by low-income consumers for household use.

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