

**MEDIA STATEMENT - FOR RELEASE ON 01 APRIL 2022**

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**1. PRICE CHANGES TO BE EFFECTED ON WEDNESDAY 06 APRIL 2022 IN GAUTENG (INCREASE) / DECREASE**

Product:

Petrol 93 (ULP & LRP)	(28.00)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in retail price
Petrol 95 (ULP & LRP)	(36.00)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in retail price
Diesel 0.05% Sulphur	(152.56)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in wholesale price
Diesel 0.005% Sulphur	(168.56)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in wholesale price
Illuminating Paraffin (Wholesale)	(266.00)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in wholesale price
Illuminating Paraffin (SMNRP)	(355.00)	cents per litre <b>increase</b> in the Single Maximum National Retail price (SMNRP)
Maximum Retail Price for LPGAS	(250.00)	cents per kilogram <b>increase</b> in the maximum retail price

**2. FUEL AND ROAD ACCIDENT FUND LEVIES INCREASE AND SHORT TERM TEMPORARY RELIEF**

The Minister of Finance, in his Budget Speech on 23 February 2022, announced that the Carbon Tax levy will increase by 1.0 c/l on both petrol and diesel. No increases will be made to the General Fuel and Road Accident Fund levy on both petrol and diesel. The Minister of Finance and Minister of Mineral Resource and Energy announced on 31 March 2022 a temporary reduction in the general fuel levy by 150.0 c/l on both petrol and diesel until 31 May 2022. With effect from 06 April 2022, the Fuel Levy in the price structure of petrol and diesel will therefore amount to 244.0 c/l and 230.0 c/l respectively and the Road Accident Fund Levy in the price structure of both petrol and diesel will remain at 218.0 c/l.

**3. ECONOMIC FACTORS AFFECTING THE UNIT OVER/UNDER-RECOVERIES FOR THE PERIOD 25 FEBRUARY 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022**

The average international product prices for Petrol, Diesel and Illuminating Paraffin increased 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 25 February to 31 March 2022 was 15.0211 compared to 15.2343 during the previous period. This led to a lower contribution to the Basic Fuel Prices on petrol, diesel and illuminating paraffin by 17.92 c/l, 19.68 c/l and 19.14 c/l respectively.

**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**

The combined cumulative petrol and diesel Slate balances at the end of February 2022 amounted to a negative balance of R 7.171 billion. In line with the provisions of the Self-Adjusting Slate Levy Mechanism, a Slate Levy of 52.62 c/l (increase of 6.56 c/l) will be implemented into the price structures of petrol and diesel with effect from 06 April 2022.

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

The Single Maximum National Retail Price for the period 06 April 2022 to 03 May 2022 will be 2 045.0 c/l compared to 1 690.0 c/l for the period 02 March 2022 to 05 April 2022.

**7. MAXIMUM LPGAS REFINERY GATE PRICE**

The maximum refinery gate price will be R16 407.75 per metric ton (910.630 c/l), excluding VAT, for the period 06 April 2022 to 03 May 2022.

## 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 (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.

## 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
<b>Movements in external factors</b>				
Movement in International Product Prices	( 195.552)	( 314.234)	( 330.054)	( 284.966)
Movement in Exchange Rate	17.915	19.682	19.986	19.139
<b>BFP Over/(under)-recovery for the period 25/02/2022 to 31/03/2022</b>	<b>( 177.637)</b>	<b>( 294.552)</b>	<b>( 310.068)</b>	<b>( 265.827)</b>

## 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 25 days from 25/02/2022 to 31/03/2022 (cents / litre) as detailed below

( 177.637) ( 294.552) ( 310.068) ( 265.827) -

Cumulative positive/(negative) slate balances end of February 2022 (R-million)

(2 596.903) (4 574.544) (4 574.544) ( 244.546) -

**The price adjustments consist of the following elements:**

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

( 178.000) ( 295.000) ( 311.000) ( 266.000) ( 250.000)

Decrease in Fuel levy

149.000 149.000 149.000 - -

Increase in Slate levy

( 6.560) ( 6.560) ( 6.560) - -

Pump rounding

( 0.440) - - - -

**Total price (increase) / decrease**

**( 36.000) ( 152.560) ( 168.560) ( 266.000) ( 250.000)**

## 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 06/04/2022 TO 03/05/2022 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:**

Price element	Coast Zone 1A	Inland Zone 9C
Maximum refinery gate price	1 640.775	1 640.775
Primary transport costs	48.825	231.447
Operating expenses	480.094	480.094
Working capital	36.391	36.391
Depreciation	178.163	178.163
Gross margin: Cylinder-filling plant	227.652	227.652
Sub-total (1)	<b>2 611.900</b>	<b>2 794.522</b>
Retail Margin: (15% of Subtotal (1))	391.785	419.178
Sub-total (2)	<b>3 003.685</b>	<b>3 213.700</b>
Value Added Tax (15% Sub-total (2))	450.553	482.055
<b>Maximum Retail Price (Rounded to full cents)</b>	<b>3 454.000</b>	<b>3 696.000</b>

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 06/04/2022 TO 03/05/2022 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	45.500	45.500	80.220	80.220	80.220
Secondary Storage	30.700	30.700	30.700	30.700	30.700
Secondary Distribution	17.940	17.940	17.940	17.940	17.940
Router Differential	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	7.400
Retail margin	228.800	228.800	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	<b>244.000</b>	<b>244.000</b>	<b>230.000</b>	<b>230.000</b>	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>52.620</b>	<b>52.620</b>	<b>52.620</b>	<b>52.620</b>	0.000
DSML	10.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Pump Rounding	0.500	0.500	0.000	0.000	0.000
Sub-total	917.290	907.290	698.810	698.810	221.560
<u>Contribution to the Basic Fuel</u>					
<u>Price</u>	1 278.710	1 255.710	1 402.630	1 425.030	1 363.128
<u>Retail Price</u>	<u>2,196.00</u>	<u>2,163.00</u>			
<u>Wholesale price</u>			<u>2,101.440</u>	<u>2,123.840</u>	<u>1,584.688</u>

**STATISTICS OF PRICE CHANGES**

Effective from:	Petrol 95 ULP		Diesel		Illuminating Paraffin		LPGAS	
	Gauteng	Coast	Gauteng	Coast	Gauteng	Coast	Gauteng	Coast
	SA c/l	SA c/l	SA c/l	SA c/l	SA c/l	SA c/l	SA c/Kg	SA c/Kg
01-Jan-20	1,616.00	1,552.00	<b>1,462.260</b>	<b>1,408.060</b>	927.728	860.528	2,604.00	2,379.00
05-Feb-20	1,603.00	1,539.00	<b>1,457.260</b>	<b>1,403.060</b>	924.728	857.528	2,603.00	2,378.00
03-Mar-20	1,584.00	1,520.00	<b>1,403.260</b>	<b>1,349.060</b>	856.728	789.528	2,571.00	2,346.00
01-Apr-20	1,396.00	1,326.00	<b>1,269.560</b>	<b>1,209.260</b>	672.828	591.728	2,193.00	1,968.00
06-May-20	1,222.00	1,152.00	<b>1,108.560</b>	<b>1,048.260</b>	449.828	368.728	1,931.00	1,706.00
03-Jun-20	1,340.00	1,270.00	<b>1,130.560</b>	<b>1,070.260</b>	489.828	408.728	2,129.00	1,904.00
01-Jul-20	1,512.00	1,442.00	<b>1,303.560</b>	<b>1,243.260</b>	703.828	622.728	2,577.00	2,352.00
05-Aug-20	1,517.00	1,447.00	<b>1,348.560</b>	<b>1,288.260</b>	742.828	661.728	2,573.00	2,348.00
02-Sep-20	1,518.00	1,448.00	<b>1,327.560</b>	<b>1,267.260</b>	716.828	635.728	2,609.00	2,384.00
07-Oct-20	1,486.00	1,416.00	<b>1,237.560</b>	<b>1,177.260</b>	640.828	559.728	2,589.00	2,364.00
04-Nov-20	1,459.00	1,389.00	<b>1,225.560</b>	<b>1,165.260</b>	655.828	574.728	2,615.00	2,389.00
02-Dec-20	1,446.00	1,376.00	<b>1,245.420</b>	<b>1,185.120</b>	684.688	603.588	2,752.00	2,516.00
06-Jan-21	1,486.00	1,416.00	<b>1,300.420</b>	<b>1,240.120</b>	739.688	658.588	2,708.00	2,472.00
03-Feb-21	1,567.00	1,497.00	<b>1,358.420</b>	<b>1,298.120</b>	798.688	717.588	2,901.00	2,666.00
03-Mar-21	1,632.00	1,562.00	<b>1,412.420</b>	<b>1,352.120</b>	845.688	764.588	2,988.00	2,752.00
07-Apr-21	1,732.00	1,661.00	<b>1,477.620</b>	<b>1,416.120</b>	880.488	798.588	3,036.00	2,801.00
05-May-21	1,723.00	1,651.00	<b>1,446.620</b>	<b>1,385.120</b>	857.488	775.588	2,864.00	2,628.00
02-Jun-21	1,713.00	1,641.00	<b>1,466.620</b>	<b>1,405.120</b>	877.488	795.588	2,721.00	2,486.00
07-Jul-21	1,739.00	1,667.00	<b>1,508.620</b>	<b>1,447.120</b>	913.488	831.588	2,784.00	2,549.00
04-Aug-21	1,830.00	1,758.00	<b>1,564.200</b>	<b>1,502.700</b>	963.488	881.588	3,010.00	2,775.00
01-Sep-21	1,834.00	1,762.00	<b>1,548.980</b>	<b>1,487.480</b>	948.488	866.588	3,104.00	2,869.00
06-Oct-21	1,833.00	1,761.00	<b>1,571.780</b>	<b>1,510.280</b>	980.488	898.588	3,097.00	2,861.00
03-Nov-21	1,954.00	1,882.00	<b>1,719.980</b>	<b>1,658.480</b>	1,125.488	1,043.588	3,387.00	3,151.00
01-Dec-21	2,029.00	1,957.00	<b>1,792.480</b>	<b>1,730.980</b>	1,167.688	1,085.788	3,570.00	3,335.00
05-Jan-22	1,961.00	1,889.00	<b>1,724.680</b>	<b>1,663.180</b>	1,096.688	1,014.788	3,500.00	3,259.00
02-Feb-22	2,014.00	1,942.00	<b>1,804.520</b>	<b>1,743.020</b>	1,197.688	1,115.788	3,376.00	3,134.00
02-Mar-22	2,160.00	2,088.00	<b>1,948.880</b>	<b>1,887.380</b>	1,318.688	1,236.788	3,446.00	3,204.00
06-Apr-22	2,196.00	2,124.00	<b>2,101.440</b>	<b>2,039.940</b>	1,584.688	1,502.788	3,696.00	3,454.00