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Dear Mr Leseane

ELECTRICITY TARIFFS FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2024 – 30 JUNE 2025

- Your application dated 24 May 2024 refers.
- The Energy Regulator at its meeting held on 16 May 2024 decided that municipal tariffs should be assessed based on the cost of supply studies submitted by the licensee and a cost breakdown structure, for those without the cost of supply study. Consequently, the Energy Regulator considered your application for a tariff increase for the period 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025 and approved the tariffs as follows:

Indigent Households Tariff Structure (Prepaid or Conventional).	2024/25 Recommended
Tariff I: IBT Indigent Domestic (Indigent)	
SUMMER (R/kWh)	
Block 1 (0 - 50 kWh)	R0,00
Block 2 (51 – 350 kWh)	R2,25
Block 3 (351 – 600 kWh)	R3,17
Block 4 (>600kWh)	R3,73

Regulator Members:

Mr T Bukula (Chairperson) Ms Z Mpungose (Deputy Chairperson) *Adv NP Sithole (Chief Executive Officer)
*Mr N Gumede *Ms N Maseti *Mr MW Mkhize Ms T Semane Mr FK Sibanda Ms PN Sibiya
*Full-Time Regulator Members

WINTER (New tariffs) (R/kWh)	
Block 1 (0 - 50 kWh)	R0,00
Block 2 (51 – 350 kWh)	R2,32
Block 3 (351 – 600 kWh)	R3,27
Block 4 (>600kWh)	R3,85

Non-Indigent Households Tariff Structure (Prepaid or Conventional).	2024/25 Recommended
Tariff II: IBT Indigent Domestic (Indigent)	
SUMMER (R/kWh)	
Block 1 (0 - 50 kWh)	R1,75
Block 2 (51 – 350 kWh)	R2,25
Block 3 (351 – 600 kWh)	R3,17
Block 4 (>600kWh)	R3,73
WINTER (R/kWh) (New Tariffs)	
Block 1 (0 - 50 kWh)	R1,80
Block 2 (51 – 350 kWh)	R2,32
Block 3 (351 – 600 kWh)	R3,27
Block 4 (>600kWh)	R3,85

New Tariffs

Tariff III: Business Flat Rate (Pre-Paid or Conventional)	2024/25 Recommended
SUMMER (R/kWh)	
Business, Guest Houses, Pre-paid or Conventional	R2,87
Hostels, Guest houses	R2,87
WINTER (R/kWh)	
Business, Guest Houses, Pre-paid or Conventional	R3,06
Hostels, Guest houses	R3,06

Government properties	2024/25 Recommended
Basic Charge	R658,53
Energy charges:	
SUMMER (New Tariffs)	
Peak	R2,75
Standard	R1,80
Off-peak	R1,38
WINTER (New Tariffs)	
Peak	R5,40
Standard	R2,76
Off-peak	R2,53

NPO: Sports Bodies/ Old Age Home	2024/25 Recommended
SUMMER	
Levy (New tariff)	R336,62
Energy charge	R1,22
WINTER	

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Levy (New tariff)	R347,10
Energy charge	R2,24
Tariff IV: Departmental	2024/25 Recommended
Departmental - (Summer and Winter)	R198,68
Tariff V: Vacant Stand/ Unbuilt Erven	2024/25 Recommended
Basic Charge	R128,68
Tariff VI: Bulk Supply	2024/25 Recommended
Basic Charge	R752,12
Demand Charge	R235,31
Summer Energy Charge	R1,53
Winter Energy Charge	R1,87
Tariff VI: Elecflex 2	2024/25 Recommended
Basic Charge Monthly:	R3 999,49
Network Access charge KVA	R88,75
Demand Charge	R240,83
Energy charges:	
SUMMER (New taiffs)	
Peak	R2,75
Standard	R1,80
Off-peak	R1,38
WINTER (New Tariffs)	
Peak	R5,40
Standard	R2,76
Off-peak	R2,53
New Tariffs	
Tariff VII: Elecflex 3	2024/25 Recommended
Basic Monthly:	R3 045,16
Network Access charge KVA	R92,71
Demand Charge	R260,13
Energy charges:	
SUMMER	
Peak	R2,89
Standard	R1,89
Off-peak	R1,69
WINTER	
Peak	R5,41
Standard	R2,76
Off-peak	R2,58



3. The Energy Regulator further directs as follows:
- 3.1 The municipality must conduct and submit a cost of supply study to NERSA that is compliant with the approved COS framework by 31 December 2024.
 - 3.2 The municipality to submit a report accounting for all the costs that have been noted, to enable the Regulator to perform its independent verification/audit by 30 September 2024;
 - 3.3 The municipality to submit an audited financial report that reflects the impact of its cost breakdown based tariffs on customers, as well as on the licensee's sustainability and local economy by 30 September 2024.
 - 3.4 The municipality must provide NERSA with a Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-bound (S-M-A-R-T) energy losses reduction plan, which will ensure that energy losses are reduced to acceptable levels (below 12%). An appropriate budget with clear timelines needs to be allocated and spent in support of this. The implementation of this strategic plan, together with its budget must be monitored on a quarterly basis and reported to NERSA commencing 30 September 2024.
4. Please note that in terms of the National Energy Regulator Act, 2004 (Act No. 40 of 2004), the National Energy Regulator is entrusted to perform all the functions that the National Electricity Regulator used to perform, and amongst others, to review and approve tariff increase proposals by all licensed distributors of electricity in South Africa. Implementation of tariffs without approval of the Energy Regulator is a contravention of the license conditions issued to you.
5. It is therefore important that provision is made in your planning/budgeting cycle to allow time for the submission of applications for future changes or increases to NERSA for consideration.
6. Should you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact Zwanga Ralufhe in the Electricity Pricing and Tariffs Department on (012) 401 4632 or email: Zwanga.Ralufhe@nersa.org.za.

Yours sincerely



Advocate Nomalanga Sithole
Chief Executive Officer

Date: 28/06/2024