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Dear Mr Maseko

ELECTRICITY TARIFFS FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2025 – 30 JUNE 2026

1. Your application dated 30 April 2025 refers.

2. The Energy Regulator at its meeting held on 18 June 2025 considered your Cost of Supply based application for a tariff increase for the period 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026 and approved the tariffs as follows:

1.1 Domestic Prepaid	
Tariff blocks	<u>c/kWh</u>
Block 1 (0-50 kWh)	200,85
Block 2 (51-350 kWh)	258,75
Block 3 (351-600 kWh)	361,63
Block 4 (> 600 kWh)	428,04

Regulator Members:

1.2 Domestic Conventional

Tariff blocks	c/kWh
Block 1 (0-50 kWh)	200,85
Block 2 (51-350 kWh)	258,68
Block 3 (351-600 kWh)	361,63
Block 4 (> 600 kWh)	428,04

Basic Charge	353,31
(R/month)	

1.3 Domestic tariffs Non-IBT Domestic low (0-400)

Energy Charge: 275,46 c/kWh

1.4 Domestic Tariffs Non- IBT High (>400 kWh)

Energy Charge: 337,73 c/kWh

2.1 Conventional ≤40 Amps (Single & 3 phase)

Basic Charge:

Energy Charge:

R1 457,88
/month
311,06 c/kWh

2.2 Prepaid ≤40 Amps, 40Amps and 100Amp (Single & 3 phase)

Energy Charge: 447,11 c/kWh

2.3 Conventional ≥40 Amps (Single & 3 phase)

Basic Charge: R2 145,96 /month Energy Charge: 293,60 c/kWh

2.4 Conventional ≤100 Amps (Single & 3 phase)

Basic Charge: R2 599,43 /month Energy Charge: 275,98 c/kWh

2.5 Prepaid ≥ 40 Amps (Single & 3 phase)

Energy Charge: 447,11 c/kWh

2.6 Prepaid ≤100 Amps (Single & 3 phase)

Energy Charge: 447,11 c/kWh

3.1. A) Industrial 1 (Low Voltage) >125A to ≤ 250A

Basic Charge: R3 211,95 /month

Energy Charge:

Low Season: 139,07 c/kWh High Season: 144,17 c/kWh

Demand Charge:

Low Season: R 462,46 /kVA High Season R 471,66 /kVA

3.1 b)Alternative Industrial 1 (Low Voltage)> 125A to ≤ 250A

Basic Charge: R3 211,94 /month

Energy charge:

Low Season: 345,62 c/kWh High Season: 350,31 c/kWh

3.2 A) Industrial 2 (High voltage)≥ 300A

Basic Charge: R14 946,58 /month

Energy charge:

Low Season: 210,87 c/kWh High Season 221,49 c/kWh

Demand Charge (R/kVA)

Low Season R 407,52 /kVA High Season R 471,62 /kVA

3.2 B) Alternative Industrial 2 (High voltage)≥ 300A

Basic Charge: R14 946,58 /month

Energy Charge:

Low Season 337,89 c/kWh High Season 350,34 c/kWh

3.3 Industrial (High voltage)

Basic Charge: R19 469,40 /month

Energy Charge:

Low Season: 196,30 c/kWh

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High Season: 211,28 c/kWh

Demand Charge:

Low Season: R 483,20 /kVA High Season: R 502,17 /kVA

- 3. The Energy Regulator further directs as follows:
- 3.1 The municipality to submit a report accounting for all the costs that have been noted in its COS study, to enable the Regulator to perform its independent verification process by 30 September 2025.
- 3.2 The municipality to submit an audited financial report that reflects the impact of its cost of supply based tariffs on customers, as well as on the licensee's sustainability and local economy by 30 September 2025.
- 3.3 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 2025.
- 4. Please note that in terms of the National Energy Regulator Act, 2004 (Act No. 40 of 2004), 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. NERSA further requests that you submit your budgetary timelines for purposes of our planning.
- 6. Should you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact Rhulani Mathebula in the Electricity Pricing and Tariffs Department on (012) 401 4616 or email: Rhulani.mathebula@nersa.org.za.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer

Date: 28 June 2025

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