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PUBLIC NOTICE

Dear Residents

RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PROPOSED ELECTRICITY PRICE INCREASE FOR 2026-2027 FINANCIAL YEAR AS PER NEW NERSA REQUIREMENTS

This communication cordially calls on residents to submit comments on the proposed electricity price increase for 2026-2027 financial year.

This notice is issued in line with the requirements and the revised timelines issued by the National Electricity Regulator of South Africa (NERSA) for the submission of 2026-2027 electricity tariffs increase applications by utilities, and as per the outcomes of the North Gauteng High Court on the 20th February 2026.

The Sol Plaatje Municipality hereby publishes the proposed average **8%** increase on electricity tariffs for 2026-2027 financial year for public participation and inputs.

This increase proposals are informed by NERSA's approval for the Eskom's Retail Tariff and Structural Adjustments (ERTSA) application on the 5th March 2025 which authorizes 9,01% bulk tariff increase to the local authorities effective from 01 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

To comply with the NERSA requirements and the judgement of the North Gauteng High Court, the municipality revised its Cost of Supply Study to factor the impact of Eskom structural changes for the submission of its application to NERSA before 31st March 2026.

The proposed tariffs are available for your review on the municipal website, www.solplaatje.org.za as well as the following municipal offices and our satellite points:

Cashier Points and Municipal Offices:

1. The Civic Centre Building, 01 Sol Plaatje Drive, Kimberley
2. Pioneer House, Kimberley CBD Traffic Department Office
3. City Hall, Kimberley CBD
4. Matlalo Office opposite Bantu Hall, Galeshewe
5. Pioneer House, CBD Traffic Department Office
6. Stokroos (Traffic and Licencing Office), Abattoir
7. Matlalo Office opposite Bantu Hall, Galeshewe
8. Galeshewe Post Office
9. Roodepan Office
10. Homevale Office
11. Phutanang Office

Library Points:

12. Kimberley Library, CBD
13. Beaconsfield Library
14. Hadison Park Library
15. Roodepan Library
16. Galeshewe Library
17. Judy Scott Library

Please submit your inputs to the municipality via email to tariffs@solplaatje.org.za and/or directly to the NERSA as per email municcomments@nersa.org.za . All comments or inputs must be received on or before 20 April 2026.

Kind Regards,



Date: 27. 03. 26

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Executive Mayor
Sol Plaatje Local Municipality

Cc. National Electricity Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED TARIFF INCREASE AND CHANGES

1. Background:

The Sol Plaatje Municipality has developed and adopted the Cost of Supply Study (COS) which guided tariff increases since 2023/2024 financial years in line with the

policy position no. 23 of the Electricity Pricing policy of 1998 (EPP) which stipulate that the Electricity distributors shall undertake COS studies at least every five years, but at least when significant licensee structure changes occur, such as in customer base, relationships between cost components and sales volumes. This must be done according to approved NERSA standard to reflect changing costs and customer behaviour.

2. ESKOM Impact:

Eskom announced an average bulk electricity increase for municipal consumers of 9.01%. Sol Plaatje Municipality (Sol Plaatje) buy electricity from 1 point of supply. The existing and proposed Municflex as applied to Sol Plaatje is shown in Table 1.

Table 1

TOU TARIFFS FROM COS		Actual 2025/2026				Proposed 2026/2027				% Increase		
All rates include surcharges.		BASIC	ACCESS	MAXIMUM	ENERGY	BASIC	ACCESS	MAXIMUM	ENERGY	BASIC	MAXIMUM	ENERGY
SEGMENT		CHARGE	DEMAND	DEMAND	CHARGE	CHARGE	DEMAND	DEMAND	CHARGE	CHARGE	DEMAND	CHARGE
Tariff Name	Code	R/C/m	R/kVA/m	R/A/m	R/kWh	R/C/m	R/kVA/m	R/A/m	R/kWh	R/C/m	R/A/m	R/kWh
		Existing				Proposed Municflex						
TOU TARIFFS		Basic	Access	Demand	Reactive	Basic	Access	Demand	Reactive	Change %		
Municflex	Basic: MD (Hi / Low): MD/Acc	6 730.90	34.53	9.60		7 337.41	40.41	10.46		9.01%	17.03%	8.96%
	Energy: High: P/St/OP (R/kWh)	6.6118	1.8504	1.3213	0.3220	7.1585	2.0049	1.4322	0.3510	8.27%	8.35%	8.39%
Municflex: 66kV & ≤ 132kV, > 300km	Energy: Low: P/St/OP : R/kvarh	2.8979	1.7446	1.3213	-	3.1386	1.8903	1.4322	-	8.31%	8.35%	8.39%

It shows that energy prices increase at just below the average 9.01% whereas the access demand charges increase by 15% which is due t the phase in of the generation capacity charge as introduced by Eskom tariff restructuring.

A summary of the consumption quantities are shown in table 2 below:

Table 2

Herlear 1 kWh	MONTH	Days	DEMAND				TOTAL		TOTAL				
			MD - KVA ALL	MD - KW ALL	MD P&S	MD highest	MD highest	ENERGY	P&S	KVA LOAD FACTOR	P	S	O
			kVA	kW	kVA	kVA	kW	kWh (for)	kvarh	%	kWh (for)	kWh (for)	kWh (for)
	2023/07/31	31	104 472.56	103 144.80	104 472.56	111 000	103 145	46 322 057	-	59.60%	17.36%	41.13%	41.50%
	2023/08/31	31	93 456.52	92 125.92	93 456.52	111 000	103 145	41 382 694	-	59.52%	18.58%	41.78%	39.64%
	2023/09/30	30	86 624.73	85 485.12	86 624.73	111 000	103 145	35 940 691	1 518	57.63%	18.13%	40.60%	41.26%
	2023/10/31	31	72 611.59	70 407.36	72 611.59	111 000	103 145	37 215 329	73 528	68.89%	17.60%	41.10%	41.30%
	2023/11/30	30	76 896.35	74 063.04	76 896.35	111 000	103 145	36 869 126	189 293	66.59%	17.39%	42.05%	40.56%
	2023/12/31	31	71 929.98	68 953.92	71 929.98	111 000	103 145	37 536 083	288 648	70.14%	14.82%	37.48%	47.70%
	2024/01/31	31	72 836.56	70 188.00	72 836.56	111 000	103 145	37 687 880	267 125	69.55%	16.77%	41.23%	42.00%
	2024/02/29	29	75 996.57	72 247.68	75 996.57	111 000	103 145	36 926 721	366 259	69.81%	17.20%	42.35%	40.46%
	2024/03/31	31	83 014.85	73 893.12	77 285.95	111 000	103 145	38 389 391	293 576	62.16%	14.54%	37.59%	47.88%
	2024/04/30	30	101 143.26	71 550.72	101 143.26	111 000	103 145	35 223 475	13 073 741	48.37%	17.40%	39.87%	42.73%
	2024/05/31	31	105 365.52	74 646.72	105 365.52	111 000	103 145	37 266 320	14 315 072	47.54%	17.84%	41.46%	40.71%
	2024/06/30	30	133 839.95	93 532.32	133 116.20	111 000	103 145	41 651 824	15 798 491	43.22%	16.62%	41.31%	42.06%
	TOTALS		1 078 188.47	950 238.71	1 071 735.82	111 000	103 145	482 411 593	44 667 250	39.44%	17.02%	40.68%	42.29%

The calculation of the effective impact on the Eskom bills is shown in Table 3.

Table 3

						IMPACT SUMMARY		
Voltage		Old TOU	Old TOU	New TOU	New TOU	Change Rev	Diff %	Diff %
Voltage	A	Total	c/kWh	Total	c/kWh	Rand	Rand	c/kWh
Municflex ≥ 66kV & ≤ 132kV, > 300km	Total	965 992 981	209	1 050 662 878	227	84 669 897	8.77%	8.77%

The table shows that Municflex is estimated to increase by 8.77% and not the average increase of 9.01% as stipulated in the ERTSA.

This is largely due to very good annual and monthly load factors where the impact of the higher capacity charges is less.

3. Average Tariff Increase:

The following key observations from latest COS revision to factor ERTSA are as follows.

2024/2025 budget to actual.

- o Eskom account fell in arrears causing interest.
- o Sales revenue close to budget.

2024/2025 actuals to 2025/2026 forecast.

- o the increase of 9.9% in bulk cost confirms the estimates of Municflex impact.
- o Revenue actually decreased due to the following reasons:
 - A general reduction in sales due economic hardship in Sol Plaatje.
 - Discount of 10% applied in the maximum demand charges for Bulk consumers.
 - NERSA approving basic and capacity charges below that requested as per the cost of supply study.
 - Not applying the basic and capacity charges as approved as from 1 July 2025.

2026/2026 forecast to 2026/2027 budget.

- Bulk purchase cost increase based on the assessment of the proposed Municflex tariff which comes to 8.77%. No consumption change is expected.
- Decrease in Contracted services: Pre-paid vender commission reduced due to renegotiation of commission percentage from 1.8% to 1.61%.
- Depreciation increased due to installation of Smart meters and recognition of audited revaluation value of R25 million.
- Eskom debt remains a massive challenge.
- Employee costs are expected to increase due to two new staff members planned to be absorbed and overtime increasing due to vacancies.

- Contractor fees increase due to Smart meter management fees.
- Departmental overhead allocation close to that calculated in COS calculation.
- Impairment loss is calculated based on average payment percentage in the municipality of 85% and not that of electricity which is much higher. This to be addressed based on national treasury guidelines.
- FBE income foregone incorrectly shown as a cost as the revenue already excludes the FBE value.
- FBE to Eskom and Streetlights provided by Eskom and Eskom bills for other services incorrectly allocated to electricity. This is however covered by the equitable share.
- Very high overhead charge. This is this removed and replaced with overhead charge from COS study.
- Revenue is forecasted with average increase of **8%** and no sales growth.

4. Prudency Adjustments:

Before adjustments for prudency, it looks like electricity will make a small loss.

Table 4 shows adjustments which are considered not part of electricity costs or income and in line with NERSA approach of disallowing imprudent costs:

Table 4

SUMMARY VALUES	Total Sum of Original Budget 2024/2025	Total Sum of Adjustment Budget 2024/2025	Change: Budget to Actual	Total Sum of Original Budget 2025/2026	Total Sum of Adjustment Budget 2025/2026	2024/2025 to 2025/2026	Sum of BUDGET 2026/27	2025/2026 to 2026/2027 change %
Bulk	897 300 000	910 118 000	1.4%	1 000 000 000	1 000 000 000	9.9%	1 087 700 000	8.77%
Operating cost	67 009 759	68 909 759	2.8%	106 395 951	100 588 451	46.0%	105 338 732	4.72%
Depreciation	9 000 000	9 000 000	0.0%	9 000 000	9 000 000	0.0%	10 500 000	16.67%
Interest	12 516 644	60 935 877	396.8%	11 193 556	81 193 556	33.2%	79 692 373	-1.88%
Repairs and Maintenance actual	84 522 922	86 172 922	1.6%	88 361 216	91 553 716	6.2%	91 563 072	0.12%
Impairment / Bad debt	81 000 000	111 000 000	37.0%	89 000 000	107 000 000	-3.6%	94 000 000	-12.15%
Sub-total cost	1 151 651 325	1 248 139 558	8.2%	1 303 950 722	1 389 335 722	11.5%	1 468 894 176	5.73%
Current revenue	1 164 299 207	1 164 299 207	0.0%	1 305 623 440	1 072 987 296	-7.8%	1 168 406 556	8.89%
Shortfall (+) SURPLUS (-)	- 12 647 882	81 840 351	-747.1%	1 672 718	316 338 426	286.5%	300 487 620	-5.01%
					185 652 144			
REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS (-) Revenue shown as (-)					Total Sum of Adjustment Budget		Sum of BUDGET 2026/27	
Deduct capital income (Capital grants)								From trial balance
Capital charges								From trial balance
Availability Charges								From trial balance
Connection/Reconnection fee								Already provided and the connection costs included
Electricity Sales corrected								No correction required
Interest on consumer deposits								From financial in trial balance
FBE income foregone								To remove equitable share that exceed FBE
Equitable share								To cover grant items to consumers
Equitable share to cover FBE to Eskom								Free energy, FBE to Eskom.
Streetlight revenue under recovery		17 531 304			39 627 167		64 797 341	63.52%
Internal tariffs under recovery								Standard tariff applied
TOTAL REVENUE		17 531 304			39 627 167		64 797 341	63.52%
EXCLUSIONS / ADJUSTMENTS	Limit	Actual	Trial balance	Adjust	Adjust			
Eskom bulk cost correction								
Eskom access access charges								As per NERSA practice
Eskom interest		22 000 000	0.0%	70 000 000	218.2%	70 000 000	0.00%	Not allowed.
Shared cost	From 2020/2021							Use municipal calculation - very close to COS calculation.
Shared cost > 30% of own cost (exc bulk)	30.0%							As per detailed ringfencing calculation and within limit.
Bad debt > 5% of sales revenue	5.0%	52 793 040		53 380 135	1.1%	35 579 672	-33.31%	As per NERSA practice
FBE paid to Eskom								Done directly from finance to Eskom
Admin charge		11 800 000						
Sub-Total		86 595 040		123 350 135	42.5%	105 579 672	-14.41%	
kWh sales		347 289 148		347 289 148		347 289 148	0.00%	Based on load forecast
Purchases		468 049 742		468 049 742	0.0%	468 049 742	0.00%	Based on load forecast
% losses		25.8%		25.8%		25.8%		
Eskom costs reduced (losses > 8%)	12%	125 603 597		138 008 036		159 111 340		Used in NERSA method.
Revenue increased (losses > 8%)	12%	160 682 646		148 082 249		161 249 493		Used in alternative method.
Actual capital expenditure not covered by grants								

Revenue:

- The INEP capital grant is removed from operating income.
- Capital charges are also removed as this should off-set capital expenditure.
- Because the streetlights and internal services are not charged at the cost-based tariff, the shortfall is shown as additional revenue.
- This is calculated based on the shortfall in streetlight and internal tariffs from the COS study and then escalated by the annual price increases.

Costs:

- The municipal overheads are removed.
- The overheads / shared costs are the value calculated as part of the cost of supply study completed in 2024 and then escalated annually by 7%.
- The shared cost is then limited to 30% of the total cost minus bulk purchase costs.
- Excess access charges are considered imprudent by NERSA as municipalities must notify the maximum demands and upgrade the substations so as not to exceed the notified demands – hence, no change.
- Eskom interest is considered imprudent by NERSA as the accounts should not be in arrears – hence, no change
- Bad debt > 5% of revenue exceeds the NERSA limit:

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Repairs and Maintenance actual	84 822 922	85 172 922	1.6%	88 351 216	91 553 716	8.2%	91 663 072	0.12%
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EXCLUSIONS / ADJUSTMENTS	Limit	Actual	Trial balance		Adjust		Adjust	
Eskom bulk cost correction								
Eskom excess access charges								As per NERSA practice
Eskom interest		- 22 000 000	0.0%		- 70 000 000	218.2%	- 70 000 000	0.00%
Shared cost	From 2020/2021							Use municipal calculation – very close to COS calculation.
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% losses		25.8%			25.8%		25.8%	
Eskom costs reduced (losses > 8%)	12%	- 125 603 597			- 138 008 036		- 150 111 340	
Revenue increased (losses > 8%)	12%	- 169 682 646			- 148 082 249		- 161 249 463	
Actual capital expenditure not covered by grants								

Calculation of the effective surplus using the NERSA method with various corrections and prudence adjustments, shows that Bulk costs be reduced by the losses exceeding 8% not NERSA 12%. Hence, no change.

The results are shown in Table 6 on revenue requirement.

Table 6

REVENUE REQUIREMENT	Total Sum of Adjustment Budget2025/2026	2024/2025 to 2025/2026	2026/2027 Budget. NERSA method: Bulk cost reduced, historic depreciation	2026/2027 Budget. Full Bulk, adjusted revenue, CRC depreciation	Description
Bulk - losses (>8%)	861 991 964	9.9%	937 588 660	1 087 700 000	Bulk Actual
Operating cost	60 765 547	-11.8%	62 508 951	62 508 951	Operating cost
Shared cost adjusted to 30% of own cost	39 822 904		42 829 781	42 829 781	Shared cost adjusted
Historic cost depreciation	9 000 000	0.0%	10 500 000	152 599 625	CRC Depreciation From adjusted asset register.
Interest (excluding Eskom)	11 193 556	-71.3%	9 692 373	9 692 373	Interest (excluding Eskom)
Repairs and Maintenance actual	91 553 716	6.2%	91 663 072	91 663 072	Repairs & Maintenance actual
Bad debt provision / write off	53 649 865	-7.8%	58 420 328	58 420 328	Bad debt Limited to 5% of revenue.
Remaining Cost adjustments	-		-	-	Remaining Cost adjustments
Total Allowed revenue before surplus	1 127 977 551	7.9%	1 213 203 164	1 505 414 129	Total Allowed revenue
Revenue: prudent:	- 1 112 624 463	-5.9%	- 1 233 203 896	-1 394 453 390	Revenue: Prudent adjusted
Surplus (-) Loss (+)	15 353 088	-111.3%	- 20 000 733	110 960 739	Shortfall
Surplus(-) Loss (+)%	0		-1.6%	8.0%	Shortfall %

One of the objectives of the surplus is to cover for refurbishment of existing assets. This is normally set at the annual Current Required Cost (CRC) depreciation.

The following deductions can thus be made from the above calculations:

- Applying an increase equal to 8%.
- A small surplus of R20 million is made using the modified NERSA method.
- What these calculations are saying is that the current tariff levels are cost reflective if prudence adjustments are made.
- The reason why the surplus is so small is due to the adjustment in bulk cost due to the high losses.
- In fact, the surplus plus the non-cash items namely overheads and depreciation all added together is not even equal the losses adjustment.
- That means that in fact the municipal electricity department will effectively not cover its full cost.
- The alternative method confirms that the current tariff levels are too low to cover Current Required Cost (CRC) depreciation.

5. Tariff Restructuring:

Sol Plaatje municipality completed a detailed cost of supply and tariff study in 2024 using the 2022/2023 data. It was submitted as part of the public participation and was submitted to NERSA. The municipality implemented all three phases of a 3 year phase in plan. Unfortunately, the following happened which distorted this phase in:

- NERSA did not approve various of the proposed as from 1 July 2025, specifically the increased basic and capacity charges, despite the fact that the energy charges reduced.
- The municipality did not apply the basic and capacity charges due to various factors as from 1 July 2025.
- The municipality granted a 10% discount on Bulk tariff maximum demand charges after significant complaint were received and reaching agreement in this respect.

The following will this be implemented in this respect:

- No tariff restructuring will be done as per the cost of supply report.
- The average price increase will thus be applied to all rates but for the following:
 - The IBT tariff for indigents: Only average increase.
 - Domestic life line 20 Amp. Only average increase.
 - All domestic consumers > 20 Amps:
 - The basic and capacity charges as approved but were not implemented will be applied as from April / May 2026.
 - The average increase be applied to the approved tariff without further structure change.
 - Small commercial >20 Amps:
 - The basic and capacity charges as approved but were not implemented will be applied as from April / May 2026.
 - The average increase be applied to the approved tariff without further structure change.
- Bulk TOU tariffs:
 - Apply average increase to all rates.
 - Maximum demand charge: apply the approved tariff minus 10% discount as approved by Council and then apply average increase.
- TOU tariff for small domestic and business consumers. (compulsory for SSEG consumers).
 - Basic charge reduced significantly due to reduced meter costs.
 - Capacity charge set equal to that of domestic and commercial consumers.
 - Other charges changing up and down to match new Municflex.

TARIFF SCHEDULE.

The proposed tariffs for 2026/2027 is shown below:

SOL PLAATJE: ELECTRICITY TARIFFS 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027			
ABBREVIATIONS			
V	Volt	NMD	Notified maximum demand
kV	kilovolt	PF	Power factor
W	Watt	R/kVA	Rand per kilovolt-Ampere
kW	kilowatt	TOU	Time of use
A	Ampere	VAT	Value-added tax
kVA	kilovolt-ampere	R/kvarh	Rand per reactive kilovar-hour
kWh	Kilowatt-hour	MD	Maximum Demand
kvarh	kilovar-hour	POS	Point of Supply
SSEG	Small Scale Embedded Generation		
DEFINITIONS			
Maximum demand.	Highest average demand measured in kVA at the point of supply during a 30-minute integrating period in a billing month.		
MD (TOU)	For TOU tariffs this only applies during the Peak and Standard periods.		
NMD	Maximum demand notified by the customer and accepted by the municipality, per point of supply applicable for all hours of the day. (KVA)		
Access Demand	Highest of the NMD, installed capacity or Highest Maximum demand during the previous 12 months.		
High voltage (HV)	Networks at a voltage greater than 22kV.		
Medium voltage (MV)	Networks above 1 kV up to 22 kV.		
Low voltage (LV)	Networks less than 1 kV (<1000 V). Single phase 230 V, 3 phase 400 V.		
Basic charge.	Monthly fixed charge payable per point of supply to recover customer services costs such as meter reading, billing and service connection and meter capital. (R/m)		
Capacity charge	Fixed network charge to recover network costs based on the installed / limited capacity. (R/Amp/m)		
Access charge	Fixed network charge to recover mainly dedicated network costs based on the Access Demand. (R/kVA/m)		
Demand charge	Variable network charge to recover the mainly shared network costs based on the chargeable demand.		
Energy charge.	Charge for each unit of active energy consumed during the billing month (R/kWh)		
Reactive energy charge.	Charge based on the reactive energy supplied in excess of 30% (0,96 power factor or less) of the kWh recorded during the peak and standard periods. The excess reactive energy is determined per 30-minute integrating period and accumulated for the month applicable during both seasons. (R/kvarh)		
Basic, Capacity and Access charges.	Fixed charges as prescribed, is levied in respect of every separate electricity connection or erf. If two or more buildings or structures on the same erf are supplied with electricity from only one meter connection, the registered owner of such property		

TARIFF CODE	SOL PLAATJIE TARIFF SCHEDULE	Season	Period	COS TARIFFS 2022/2023		ACTUAL TARIFFS 2023/2024		ACTUAL TARIFFS 2024/2025		ACTUAL TARIFFS 2025/2026		PROPOSED TARIFFS 2026/2027		2025/2026 to 2026/2027
				excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	excl VAT	
	Average increase %					15,1%	10,6%	9,6%	8,0%					
(EL1012) DOMESTIC KIM P	Indigents Tariff (Prepaid) 20 Amps													
	Block 1 (0 - 50 kWh) (subsidised) R/kWh			1,8434	2,1217	2,3466	2,5719	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	8,00%	
	Block 2 (51 - 350 kWh) R/kWh			1,8434	2,1217	2,3466	2,5719	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	2,7777	8,00%	
	Block 3 (> 351 kWh) R/kWh			2,5721	2,9604	3,2742	3,5886	3,8757	3,8757	3,8757	3,8757	3,8757	8,00%	
(EL1010) DOMESTIC IBT KIM	Domestic Tariff (Conventional and Prepaid) = 20 Amps													
	Block 1 (0 - 350 kWh) R/kWh			2,1925	2,1925	2,5031	2,7434	2,9628	2,9628	2,9628	2,9628	2,9628	8,00%	
	Block 2 (> 350 kWh) R/kWh			2,9111	2,9111	3,1651	3,4690	3,7465	3,7465	3,7465	3,7465	3,7465	8,00%	
	Domestic Tariff (Conventional and Prepaid) > 20 Amps													
	Basic Charge (Rand per month)			173,52	66,57	82,68	90,6173	97,8667	97,8667	97,8667	97,8667	97,8667	8,00%	
	Capacity charge (Rand/Amp/phase/month)			8,28	3,07	3,81	4,1758	4,5099	4,5099	4,5099	4,5099	4,5099	8,00%	
	Block 1 (0 - 350 kWh) R/kWh			1,8300	2,1166	2,3353	2,5595	2,7642	2,7642	2,7642	2,7642	2,7642	8,00%	
	Block 2 (> 350 kWh) R/kWh			1,8300	2,6757	2,6445	2,8983	3,1302	3,1302	3,1302	3,1302	3,1302	8,00%	
(EL1044) ELEC SCHOOLS/CHURCHES/OI	Public Benefit and Schools: Conventional and Prepayment													
	Basic Charge (Rand per month)			159,02	324,53	280,68	307,6274	332,2376	332,2376	332,2376	332,2376	332,2376	8,00%	
	Capacity charge (Rand/Amp/phase/month)			9,61	3,57	4,43	4,8553	5,2437	5,2437	5,2437	5,2437	5,2437	8,00%	
	Winter (R/kWh)			2,1983	2,7759	2,9343	3,2160	3,4732	3,4732	3,4732	3,4732	3,4732	8,00%	
	Summer (R/kWh)			1,9984	2,6699	2,7485	3,0123	3,2533	3,2533	3,2533	3,2533	3,2533	8,00%	
(EL1020) ELEC SMALL POW	Business Tariff: Small Power Users (Conventional and prepaid)													
	Basic Charge (Rand per month)			194,00	337,95	310,37	340,1655	367,38	367,38	367,38	367,38	367,38	8,00%	
	Capacity charge (Rand/Amp/phase/month)			8,27	3,07	3,81	4,1758	4,5098	4,5098	4,5098	4,5098	4,5098	8,00%	
	Block 1 (0 - 1200 kWh)			1,9539	2,8872	2,8402	3,1129	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	8,00%	
	Block 2 (> 1200 kWh)			1,9539	2,8872	2,8402	3,1129	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	3,3619	8,00%	
	Block 1 (0 - 1200 kWh)			1,7762	2,7408	2,6463	2,9003	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	8,00%	
	Block 2 (> 1200 kWh)			1,7762	2,7408	2,6463	2,9003	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	3,1323	8,00%	

Time of Use : NPO, NGO, SCHOOLS: LV <200 KVA										
EL1258, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge per month		517,97	1 369,94	1 087,26	1191,6406	1286,9718			8,00%
EL1258, PBA & SCHOOLS	Network Demand Charge R/kVA		153,35	174,71	194,22	191,5812	206,9077			8,00%
	Network Access Charge R/kVA		72,36	67,05	83,14	91,1167	98,4060			8,00%
EL1255 PBA & SCHOOLS P	Energy Charges R/kWh	High Demand:	5,1714	4,9973	6,0551	6,6364	7,1673			8,00%
EL1256 PBA & SCHOOLS S	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,9865	2,1071	2,4296	2,6629	2,8759			8,00%
EL1257 PBA & SCHOOLS C	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,3540	1,4962	1,6892	1,8514	1,9995			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Low Demand:	2,0929	2,2844	2,5954	2,8446	3,0721			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,6282	1,7260	1,9908	2,1820	2,3565			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2530	1,3687	1,5544	1,7036	1,8399			8,00%
Time of Use : NPO, NGO, SCHOOLS: LV ≥ 200 < 500 kVA (exception 800 kVA)										
EL1158, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge R/m		982,93	2 719,54	2 129,55	2333,9816	2520,7001			8,00%
EL1158, PBA & SCHOOLS T	Network Demand Charge R/kVA/m		153,35	174,71	194,22	191,5812	206,9077			8,00%
	Network Access Charge R/kVA/m		72,36	67,05	83,14	91,1167	98,4060			8,00%
EL1155 PBA & SCHOOLS P	Energy Charges R/kWh	High Demand:	5,2000	5,0378	6,0957	6,6809	7,2154			8,00%
EL1156 PBA & SCHOOLS S	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	2,0151	2,1449	2,4687	2,7057	2,9222			8,00%
EL1157 PBA & SCHOOLS C	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,3826	1,5072	1,7135	1,8780	2,0282			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Low Demand:	2,1215	2,3695	2,6607	2,9161	3,1494			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,6568	1,7700	2,0334	2,2286	2,4069			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2816	1,3974	1,5885	1,7410	1,8803			8,00%
Time of Use : NPO, NGO, SCHOOLS: MV										
EL1058, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge R/m		982,93	3 695,54	2 669,28	2925,5259	3159,5680			8,00%
EL1058, PBA & SCHOOLS T	Network Demand Charge R/kVA/m		102,00	155,01	150,65	148,5983	160,4861			8,00%
	Network Access Charge R/kVA/m		50,06	58,49	64,20	70,3675	75,9969			8,00%
(EL1055) PBA & SCHOOLS	Energy Charges R/kWh	High Demand:	5,2000	5,0675	6,1121	6,6989	7,2348			8,00%
(EL1056) PBA & SCHOOLS	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	2,0151	2,2256	2,5133	2,7546	2,9750			8,00%
(EL1057) PBA & SCHOOLS	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,3826	1,6146	1,7729	1,9431	2,0986			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Low Demand:	2,1215	2,4879	2,7261	2,9879	3,2269			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,6568	1,8471	2,0760	2,2753	2,4573			8,00%
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2816	1,4774	1,6327	1,7895	1,9326			8,00%

BULK CONSUMER: LV <200 kVA										
EL1253, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge R/m		517,97	1 760,34	1 303,16	1428,2593	1542,5200	8,00%		
EL1253, INDUSTRIAL TOU <	Network Demand Charge R/kVA/m		153,35	195,45	205,69	202,8923	219,1237	8,00%		
	Network Access Charge R/kVA/m		50,06	65,50	68,08	74,6200	80,5896	8,00%		
EL1250 EL STD <75	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>High Demand:</u>	5,1714	6,1107	6,6708	7,3112	7,8961	8,00%		
EL1251 EL PEAK < 75	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,9865	2,2146	2,4891	2,7280	2,9463	8,00%		
EL1252 EL OFF PEAK < 75	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,3540	1,7219	1,8140	1,9882	2,1472	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>Low Demand:</u>	2,0929	2,5155	2,7232	2,9846	3,2234	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,6282	1,7825	2,0221	2,2162	2,3935	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2530	1,5738	1,6678	1,8280	1,9742	8,00%		
	Reactive Energy Charge R/kvarh	All	0,1951	0,2199	0,2479	0,2717	0,2934	8,00%		
BULK CONSUMER: LV ≥ 200 < 500 kVA (exception 800 kVA)										
EL1153, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge R/m		982,93	2 963,54	2 264,48	2481,8665	2680,4158	8,00%		
EL1153, INDUSTRIAL TOU 7	Network Demand Charge R/kVA/m		102,00	175,75	162,11	159,9094	172,7022	8,00%		
	Network Access Charge R/kVA/m		50,06	65,50	68,08	74,6200	80,5896	8,00%		
EL1150 EL STD 57-100	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>High Demand:</u>	5,2000	6,1611	6,7169	7,3617	7,9506	8,00%		
EL1151 EL PEAK 57 - 100	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	2,0151	2,2337	2,5178	2,7595	2,9803	8,00%		
EL1152 EL OFF PEAK 75-100	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,3826	1,8968	1,9290	2,1141	2,2833	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>Low Demand:</u>	2,1215	2,4731	2,7179	2,9789	3,2172	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,6568	1,8557	2,0807	2,2805	2,4629	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2816	1,6549	1,7309	1,8970	2,0488	8,00%		
	Reactive Energy Charge R/kvarh	All	0,1951	0,2199	0,2479	0,2717	0,2934	8,00%		
BULK CONSUMER: MV (Medium Voltage)										
EL1053, SERVICE CHARGE	Basic charge R/m		2 065,07	4 384,00	3 738,77	4097,6973	4425,5131	8,00%		
EL1053, INDUSTRIAL TOU >	Network Demand Charge R/kVA/m		93,29	172,41	139,25	137,3536	148,3419	8,00%		
	Network Access Charge R/kVA/m		46,17	64,01	64,79	71,0092	76,6900	8,00%		
(EL1051) INDUSTRIAL TOU	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>High Demand:</u>	5,1003	6,2407	6,6975	7,3404	7,9276	8,00%		
(EL1050) INDUSTRIAL TOU	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,9154	2,2381	2,4568	2,6927	2,9081	8,00%		
(EL1052) INDUSTRIAL TOU	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,2829	1,9680	1,9048	2,0877	2,2547	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	<u>Low Demand:</u>	2,0218	2,4590	2,6467	2,9008	3,1328	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Standard	1,5571	1,9150	2,0501	2,2469	2,4267	8,00%		
	Energy Charges R/kWh	Off-peak	1,1819	1,6541	1,6670	1,8270	1,9732	8,00%		
	Reactive Energy Charge R/kvarh	All	0,1951	0,2199	0,2479	0,2717	0,2934	8,00%		

SMALL CONSUMER: TOU <70 KVA: Domestic & Commercial (compulsory for SSEG customers.)									
Basic charge Domestic: R/m			175,51	202,02	223,43	244,8805	97,87		-60,03%
Basic charge Commercial: R/m			175,51	202,02	223,43	244,88	367,38		50,02%
Capacity Charge R/Amp/phase/m			8,72	9,71	10,73	11,7647	4,51		-61,67%
Energy Charges R/kWh			6,4712	7,4483	8,2378	9,0286	9,7509		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			1,9602	2,2562	2,4954	2,7349	2,9537		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			1,0644	1,2251	1,3550	1,4851	1,6039		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			2,1110	2,4297	2,6873	2,9452	3,1809		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			1,4528	1,6722	1,8494	2,0269	2,1891		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			0,9214	1,0605	1,1729	1,2855	1,3883		8,00%
Electricity Export Credits - Small Scale Embedded Generation (Photovoltaic Policy)									
SSSEG support charge: R/m			172,51	198,56	219,61	240,6886	0,0000		
Capacity Charge R/Amp/phase/m									
Energy credit R/kWh			-3,7864	-4,4865	-5,0572	-5,5427	-5,7268		3,32%
Energy credit R/kWh			-1,1470	-1,3590	-1,5319	-1,6790	-1,6039		-4,47%
Energy credit R/kWh			-0,6228	-0,7380	-0,8318	-0,9117	-1,1458		25,68%
Energy credit R/kWh			-1,2352	-1,4635	-1,6497	-1,8081	-2,5109		38,87%
Energy credit R/kWh			-0,8501	-1,0072	-1,1353	-1,2443	-1,5122		21,53%
Energy credit R/kWh			-0,5391	-0,6388	-0,7200	-0,7892	-1,1458		45,19%
Streetlights									
Basic charge light per month			105,6693	40,5418	89,6785	98,2876	106,1506		8,00%
Energy Charges R/kWh			1,8439	1,3101	0,7245	0,7941	0,8576		8,00%
Availability									
Fixed R/month			402,0144	415,1394	485,4555	532,0592	574,6239		8,00%

CONCLUSIONS

- Because of the majority of rates increasing by the average increase the impact for all these categories will be equal to the average increase.
- Only Small consumers on TOU tariff will experience lower increases due to a lowering of the basic and capacity charges.
- It should be noted that Bulk consumers all received a 10% discount in the maximum demand charges from that approved by NERSA in 2025/2026.
- In other words, their increases were lower than the average for 2025/2026.
- In 2026/2027 they will experience the average increase.
- A small surplus is calculated using the modified NERSA method.
- After doing various prudency adjustments in costs and revenues.
- This is based on Eskom Bulk costs increasing by 8.77%.
- Requesting an 8% average price increase.
- The full surplus will be used towards repaying the Eskom arrears.

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