



**MINISTRY OF ENERGY**  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION: 519**

**519. Mr J F Smalle (DA) to ask the Minister of Energy:**

- (1) What volume of petroleum is distributed via Transnet pipelines;
- (2) how much of the Transnet pipeline tariff goes to (a) maintenance and (b) increasing capacity of the pipelines;
- (3) (a) what parts of the pipeline are not functional and (b) why are they not functional in each case? NW676E

**Reply**

- (1) The plan for the 2013/14 financial year is 17.7 billion litres.
- (2) (a) The plan for 2013/14 financial year is to spend at least R86.4 million on maintenance. This should be read with all of the operating expenses in mind, in case there are other areas of interest.  
(b) There is no tariff for increasing capacity. What happens is that they get a return on assets only once they are operational or brought into service.
- (3)
  - (a)
  - (b)

<b>Pipeline sections not functional</b>	<b>Reason/s for not functional</b>
Elardus Park to Pretoria West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Due to operational constraints and batch sizes, as well as integrity issues.</li><li>- Once New Multi Product Pipeline (NMPP) is fully commissioned, the route from Airport to Waltloo will also be terminated.</li></ul>
Secunda to Vrede T - Junction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Not required to supply current market.</li><li>- Awaiting diesel/petrol ex-coast to test product quality into Secunda or into market.</li><li>- Investigating delivery options into Standerton.</li></ul>

