



MINISTRY OF ENERGY
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

National Council of Provinces question: 415

Mr K A Sinclair (COPE-Northern Cape) to ask the Minister of Energy:

1. With regard to the Strategic Plan for 2012-13 to 2016-17 of the SA National Energy Development Institute, (a) what is the impact of the current funding on the recruitment of highly-skilled persons who are committed to research and development, including (i) technology innovation and (ii) capacity building initiatives, (b) what is the role of donor funding in supporting the entity, (c) what progress has been made to raise donor funding and (d) what specific funds have been raised to this effect.
2. How far is the process of establishing a National Energy Fund that will support research and technology innovation, including employment opportunities as proposed in the said strategic plan? **CO610E**

REPLY:

1. (a) (i); (ii) SANEDI collaborates with established research institutions locally and internationally on energy research matters including carbon capture and storage. The current levels of funding for SANEDI has limited the number of permanently employed highly-skilled research persons.
 - b) Donor funders are supporters of SANEDI's research and development – also provide technical support.
 - c) This is an ongoing process, donor funds have been received from both local and international partners. Refer to (d) on the next page.

d) Funds received in 2012/13

DONOR	R'000	Project/Programme
EU	71 800	EU Advance Metering Infrastructure - Smart metering
Norway *	1 000	SA Centre for Carbon Capture and Storage (SACCCS)
World Bank *	-	Commitment expressed at this stage
AFD – French Development Agency	300	SACCCS
Eskom	1 000	SACCCS
Sasol	1 000	SACCCS
AngloCoal	100	SACCCS
Xstrata	100	SACCCS
Total	100	SACCCS
PetroSA	100	SACCCS
Exxaro	100	SACCCS
Alstom	100	SACCCS
GIZ (German International Cooperation)	1 974	Energy Efficiency/Tax incentive
REEEP	377	Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnerships - Secretariat

TOTAL R78 753 000

2. SANEDI derives its mandate from the National Energy Act, Act 34 of 2008 and has no mandate to establish any fund – this is a function under the jurisdiction of National Treasury and its associated institutions.

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