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EXTENSION OF CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN 2023

As announced by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy Mr Gwede Mantashe (MP) during the Mining Indaba earlier this week, the call for public comments on the draft Integrated Resource Plan (IRP2023) published in government Gazette no 49974, has been extended to 23 March 2024.

The IRP is an electricity generation plan that seeks to ensure security of electricity supply by balancing supply with demand, while taking into account the environment and total cost of supply.

The purpose of this publication is to solicit public comments on the assumptions, input parameters, scenarios, and observations made. Comments submitted will be considered in drafting the final policy adjusted plan which will map out the future energy mix for the country.

The draft IRP 2023 is based on a scientific process that considers several scenarios and latest developments in the country's electricity industry. It considers two-time horizons, the first being the period up to 2030 focusing on addressing prevailing generation capacity constraints and system requirements to close the supply gap.

Horizon two covers the period from 2031 to 2050 and focuses on long-term electricity generation planning with pathways to achieve a resilient Net Zero electricity sector by 2050.

A copy of the draft reviewed Integrated Resource Plan and relevant documents are accessible on https://www.energy.gov.za/files/irp_frame.html

Members of the public now have until 23 March 2024 to submit written comments for consideration on:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=bDWXIV5Askqncn7nJnEGjdSColqfOslGi6llyefKLn5UMjg2TjQ1WEITVURZTDhCN0szU0lUSjg2Wi4u>

Comments can also be emailed to: IRP.Queries@dmre.gov.za

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