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Dear Stakeholder

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP ON THE REVIEW OF THE MINIMUM ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (MEPS) LEVELS FOR HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES.

National Standard 941, which addresses energy efficiency of residential appliances, was made mandatory through the introduction of VC's 9006 and 9008. Commonly referred to as Standards and Labelling (S&L), the programme gives effect to national policy relating to efficient energy usage (Energy Efficiency Strategy of 2005) and the country's international pledges and obligations to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions. The minimum energy performance standards (MEPS) for the appliances covered by the above-mentioned VC's came into effect in 2016 and 2017 respectively.

International experience has demonstrated that for savings to be maximized it is necessary for the MEPS to be reviewed and upgraded on a regular basis. The Department of Energy, with its collaborating partners, commissioned research to inform the review, which proposes the following:

Appliance	Recommendation	Date
Standby Power	Lower level to 0.5W and expand to a wider range of products	2020
Washing Machines	Increase the MEPS level to Class A+	2021
Washer Dryers	Retain the existing MEPS level (A)	N/A
Tumble Dryers	Increase the MEPS level to Class C	2020
Refrigerators and Fridge /	Increase the MEPS to Class A+	2021

Freezers		
Freezers	Increase the MEPS to Class A	2021
Ovens (Small and Medium <65l)		N/A
Ovens (Large >65l) Dishwashers	Increase the MEPS to Class A	2020
	Retain the existing MEPS level (A)	N/A
Split Air Conditioning Systems	Increase the MEPS to Class A	2020
Geysers (Electric Water Heaters)	Retain the existing MEPS level (B)	N/A

An industry consultation workshop for affected parties has been scheduled to obtain stakeholder inputs relating to the proposed changes. The workshop details are as follows:

Date:30 November 2018

Venue: SANEDI. 152 Ann Crescent, Strathavon, Sandton

Time: 08h30 until 12h00

The Department would like to invite you to be part of the engagements and would greatly appreciate your support and availability. To ensure that we have sufficient space for all stakeholders, we request one representative per company but no more than two. Please rsvp and / or direct queries to Marcia Lephera marcia.lephera@energy.gov.za

Kind regards,

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