NOTICE 134 OF 2015

NOTICE ON THE NERSA DECISION ON THE MUNICIPAL TARIFF GUIDELINE FOR THE 2015/16 FINANCIAL YEAR

The **National Energy Regulator (NERSA)** is a regulatory authority established as a juristic person in Terms of Section 3 of the National Energy Regulator Act, 2004 (Act No. 40 of 2004). NERSA's mandate is to regulate the electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines industries in terms of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006), the Gas Act, 2001 (Act No. 48 of 2001) and the Petroleum Pipelines Act, 2003 (Act No. 60 of 2003).

NERSA approved the Municipal Tariff Guideline increase of 12.20% and the Benchmarks for the 2015/16 municipal tariff review process on 29 January 2015. The municipal tariff guideline increase and benchmarks will be implemented on 01 July 2015 and they are meant to assist municipalities in preparing their tariff reviews. It is important to note that this guideline is not an automatic increase in tariffs and that licensees are still required to apply to the Energy Regulator for approval of their tariffs in accordance with the provisions of Section 15(2) of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006) before implementation. Licensees applying for an above-guideline increase will have to justify the increase to the Energy Regulator.

The Decision and Reasons for Decision (RfD) documents have been published on the NERSA website at www.nersa.org.za.

End.

Enquiries

Contact: Tabisa Nkopo Telephone: 012 401 4669 Fax No: 012 401 4700

Email: tabisa.nkopo@nersa.org.za