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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

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PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ACT, 1977

AMENDMENT REGULATIONS REGARDING THE MANDATORY BLENDING OF BIOFUELS WITH PETROL AND DIESEL

I, Samson Gwede Mantashe, the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy, under section 12C(1)(a)(v)(aa), (aB), (b) (e) and (f) of the Petroleum Products Act, 1977 (Act 120 of 1977), made the Regulations, as set out in the Schedule.

SAMSON GWEDE MANTASHE

MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

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SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule the "Regulations" means the Regulations Regarding Mandatory Blending of Biofuels with Petrol and Diesel published under Government Notice No. R. 671 of 23 August 2012.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Regulations

- 2. Regulation 1 of the Regulations is hereby amended by-
- (a) the substitution for the definition of "bio-ethanol" of the following definition:
- ""bio-ethanol" means ethanol derived from plant material (including crops, agricultural and forestry residues), animal residues, industrial and domestic/municipal waste as well as other organic and/or renewable resources. The ethanol must conform to the applicable South African National Standard;";
- (b) the substitution for the definition of "bio-diesel" of the following definition:
- ""biodiesel" means a renewable fuel or fuel component derived from plant material (including crops, agricultural and forestry residues), animal residues, industrial and domestic/municipal waste as well as other organic and/or renewable resources. This renewable fuel or fuel component must conform to the applicable South African National Standard;";
- (c) the substitution for the definition of "biofuel blend" of the following definition:
- **""biofuel blend"** means a mixture of two or more compatible petroleum products having different properties, where one of the petroleum products is a biofuel and the other is petroleum diesel or a petroleum petrol, in order to produce **[an intermediate or]** a final petroleum product with desired attributes;";
- (d) the substitution for the definition of "regulated price" of the following definition:

- ""regulated price" means the transfer price of biodiesel or bio-ethanol, as regulated by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy, charged by a licensed biofuels manufacturer to a licensed petroleum manufacturer;"; and
- (e) the substitution for the definition of "South African National Standard" of the following definition:

""South African National Standard" or "SANS" means a South African National Standard approved by the South African Bureau of Standards in terms of the Standards Act, 2008 (Act No. 8 of 2008);".

Amendment of regulation 4 of the Regulations

- 3. Regulation 4 of the Regulations is hereby amended by-
- (a) the substitution for subregulation (1) of the following subregulation:
 - "(1) A licensed petroleum manufacturer may not refuse to purchase bio ethanol or biodiesel manufactured by a licensed biofuels manufacturer unless it is able to provide proof that it does not have sufficient volumes of petroleum petrol or petroleum diesel to accommodate the volume of bio-ethanol or biodiesel being sold."

Short title and commencement

4. These Regulations are called the Amendment Regulations regarding the Mandatory Blending of Biofuels with Petrol and Diesel, 2021 and shall come into effect upon publication in the Government Gazette.