

Invitation for public comments on Eskom's Cost of Unserved Energy (COUE) Five-Year Methodology Review and 2020 Update

The National Energy Regulator of South Africa (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 includes the regulation of the electricity, piped-gas and petroleum pipelines industries in terms of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006), Gas Act (Act No. 48 of 2001), and Petroleum Pipelines Act, 2003 (Act No. 60 of 2003).

In terms of sections 14(t) and 35(1) of the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006) ('the Act'), NERSA shall ensure that the Grid Code is developed, implemented and complied with for the benefit of the Electricity Supply Industry.

Section 7.2.1(6) of the Distribution Network Code and section 7.7(5) of the Transmission Network Code requires Licensees to use a NERSA-approved process to determine the Cost of Unserved Energy (COUE).

Eskom's methodology of determining the COUE was approved by NERSA with the condition that the methodology must be reviewed every five years. Eskom has submitted the COUE Five-Year Methodology Review and 2020 Update, which was used to develop the Consultation Paper for public comment.

Eskom's COUE Five-Year Methodology Review and 2020 Update Consultation Paper is available on the NERSA website at www.nersa.org.za under 'Electricity/Consultation/Notices'. Stakeholders are invited to comment on the Eskom's COUE Methodology Five-Year Review and 2020 Update Consultation Paper.

The written comments should be sent to NERSA for the attention of **Mr Mondli Shozi** at:

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The closing date for the submission of written comments is 25 October 2021.

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