MEDIA RELEASE



NAMPOWER DEBT COLLECTION PLAN

SUSPENSION OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY TO CUSTOMERS DUE TO LONG OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

NamPower's customers owe the utility close to a billion Namibian Dollars, to date. The situation has become a great concern to NamPower, as it is affecting the sustainability of the business. NamPower has been and continues to engage these customers but very few are making an effort to pay their outstanding accounts, while others have not been forthcoming, resulting in the debtors' accounts growing at an alarming rate.

As a result, NamPower hereby informs its stakeholders that it will be implementing a Debt Collection Plan, through the suspension of electricity to defaulting customers as of 12 April 2021. As part of this plan, consultations were held with all defaulting customers to reach an agreement. Demand letters were sent to the defaulting customers requesting them to come up with firm commitments to bring their accounts up to date or settle their arrears by 31 March 2021.

The following defaulting NamPower customers (at the time of placement of this media release) will be affected by the Debt Collection Plan if they have not made full payment to NamPower, by 31 March 2021. This list may change from time to time, should customers who have payment arrangements in place not honour their obligations. NamPower will not entertain any more settlement agreements.

VILLAGES Account Name

- Village Council Maltahohe
- Village Council Bethanie
- Gibeon Village Council
- Koës Village Council
- Tses Village Council
- Village Council Leonardville
- Village Council Kalkrand
- Berseba Village Council
- Stampriet Village Council
- Aroab Village CouncilVillage Council Witvlei

REGIONAL COUNCILS

Karas Regional Council

MUNICIPALITIES

- Account Name
 Municipality Rehoboth
 Olyahagada Municipality (Concerned)
- Okahandja Municipality (Cenored-Okahandja JV)
 - Municipality Karasburg
- Municipality Gobabis Aranos Town Council

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- PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SOE) Account Name
 - Agribusdev Orange River Irrigation
 - Project
 - NDC T/A NIDA
 - Trans Namib Holdings Ltd

MINISTRIES

- Account Name
 Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform
- Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security
- Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service
- Ministry of Health and Social Services

OTHER CUSTOMERS

Account Name
Congo Namibia Trading (Pty) Ltd (Kombat)

The table below explains the disconnection schedule, as planned. According to the plan, power supply will be suspended for a minimum of four (4) hours weekly. The number of hours or period of suspension will be increased in instances where no full payment is forthcoming.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Per week
Stage 1	4							Stage 1: Electricity Suspension for 4 hours
	11:00 – 15:00							If no full payment is received, move to Stage 2
Stage 2	4	4						Stage 2: Electricity Suspension for 8 hours
	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00						If no full payment is received, move to Stage 3
Stage 3	4	4	4					Stage 3: Electricity Suspension for 12 hours
	11:00 – 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00					If no full payment is received, move to Stage 4
Stage 4	4	4	4	4				Stage 4: Electricity Suspension for 16 hours
	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00				If no full payment is received, move to Stage 5
Stage 5	4	4	4	4	4			Stage 5: Electricity Suspension for 20 hours
	11:00 - 15:00			If no full payment is received, move to Stage 6				
Stage 6	4	4	4	4	4	4		Stage 6: Electricity Suspension for 24 hours
	11:00 – 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	13:00 - 17:00		If no full payment received, move to Stage 7
Stage 7	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	Stage 7: Electricity Suspension for 28 hours
	11:00 – 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	11:00 - 15:00	13:00 - 17:00	08:00 - 12:00	If no full payment is received, move to Stage 8
Stage 8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2 additional hours, 6 hours per day for Stage 8. If no full payment is received, move to Stage 9
Stage 9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	2 additional hours, 8 hours per day for Stage 9

Note: Stage 1, starts on a Monday as depicted above, followed by Stage 2 the following week, if no full payment is received during that week. Moving to the next stage will only be cancelled once full payment is received.

NamPower acknowledges the importance of electricity in the country's socio-economic development. Therefore, it is important that customers honour their commitment to paying their electricity accounts timeously to enable NamPower to continue delivering on its mandate of ensuring security of supply to the nation.

NamPower will keep the public informed about developments concerning the Debt Collection Plan as implementation progresses. The public affected by this exercise are encouraged to contact their respective electricity service providers for further information.

NamPower would like to apologise to its stakeholders for any inconvenience that the implementation of the Debt Collection Plan may cause.

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