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FUEL PRICE REVISION OF THE CONTROLLED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS: PETROL AND DIESEL

The Ministry of Mines and Energy has to announce that fuel prices will **increase at 00h01 on Wednesday the 12th of October 2011.**

During the month of September 2011, oil prices have been hovering at historical high levels. The value of the US dollar has been appreciating against our currency throughout the month and due to the inverse relationship between petroleum products and the Namibian dollar, the price per barrel of oil is still skyrocketing compared to recent years. In the period under review, the average Namibia Dollar to US dollar exchange rate has adversely weakened from US \$7.07 in August, to US \$7.54 in September 2011. This led to an increase in the price per barrel from US \$120 in August 2011 to US \$124 today in the Arab Gulf, Mediterranean and Singapore Markets.

Regardless of what global traders do on a daily basis, supply and demand will remain the main driving forces behind the fluctuations of oil prices. Major supply disruptions or even news stories that imply the possibility of a future problem have historically resulted in turbulence or heightened buying activities.

The above mentioned factors in the oil markets have affected unit over/under recovery negatively which then led to under-recovery on fuel prices in the local market.

Thus, the present Walvis Bay fuel pump prices for the controlled petroleum products, Petrol and Diesel, are low and are to be increased as follows:

93 Octane Leaded Replacement Petrol – increased by 50 c/l (retail)
95 Octane Unleaded Petrol - increased by 50 c/l (retail)
Diesel - increased by 35 c/l (wholesale)

The new Walvis Bay pump prices will be:

93 Octane Leaded Replacement Petrol - N\$ 9.27 per liter
95 Octane Unleaded Petrol - N\$ 9.34 per liter
Diesel - N\$ 9.60 per liter

Pump prices at various inland destinations countrywide will also be changed accordingly.


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