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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION ON SUGAR MATTERS

MEASURES AND ACTIONS

1. Sugar Regulations

- 1.1 The current transitional provisions of the Sasa Constitution and the Sugar Agreement (i.e Sugar Regulations) will expire on 31 March 2020.
- 1.2 The South African Sugar Association(Sasa) and the Department of Trade and Industry has therefore commenced drafting a set of Transitional Provisions to the Sasa Constitution and Sugar Agreement (i.e Sugar Regulations).
- 1.3 The agreement by Sasa Council is expected to be reached before the end of September 2019 and **the dti** will initiate the gazetting of the amended Sugar Regulations before 31 March 2020.

2. Sugar Industry Diversification Plan

2.1 The CSIR has been requested to undertake a detailed modelling on the different technologies/options and indicate possible new technologies to diversify the sugar industry as described above. The scope of work for the CSIR component of the research is as follows:

- Provide a detailed description of the diversification options for the sugar industry both globally and locally.
- Develop energy modelling of the diversification options
 - Using computer models in order to analyse and employ scenario analysis to investigate different assumptions about the technical and economic conditions at play. Outputs must include the technology feasibility, emissions, cumulative financial costs, natural resource use, an energy efficiency of the technology or system under investigation.
 - Analysing how the options compare with existing options, such as liquid fuel and coal generated electricity of natural gas
 - Job creation impact and economic multiplier analyses.

2.2 **the dti** and CSIR has commenced consultation with the stakeholders in the sugar value chain on the sugar industry diversification plan and the final document will be submitted before 31 March 2020 and we anticipate implementation to commence in 2020/2021 financial year.