



COAL ROADMAP FOR SOUTH AFRICA



Open letter to Stakeholders

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The purpose of this letter is to keep you informed of recent developments with regard to the proposed national Coal Roadmap for South Africa (SACRM).

Since the Stakeholders' Meeting in November 2008, where the proposed governing documents of the initiative were presented, a number of activities have taken place. This included obtaining a legal opinion on competition issues and refining of the Charter as well as the establishment of a work outline for the initiative, a project management structure and appropriate administrative and financial controls.

A meeting was convened with the nominated representatives of the founding members on 17 April 2009. At this meeting an interim SACRM Board was established, subject to the further appointment of a Government representative, who is still to be nominated. This Board member, as well as any eligible nominees from other participating members who are still to subscribe to the initiative, will be appointed over the next few months. The Board nevertheless commenced the business of the SACRM with the appointment of an initial Steering Committee, review of proposed costs for the initiative and appointment (subject to finalising of their Service Agreements) of the Fossil Fuel Foundation (FFF) to administer the project and the South African National Energy Research Institute (SANERI) to handle the funds. A first Steering Committee meeting was held and the administration of the initiative is therefore now formally in place.

The initiative must include adequate representation from Government and the appointment of its nominees will shortly be finalised. It is then intended to continue with a number of activities including:

- Convening of a further stakeholder meeting to provide feedback and receive input;
- Formally requesting contributions from participants;
- Issuing of a public enquiry for pre-qualification of suitable candidate (or candidate groups) to project manage the technical work of the initiative;
- Issuing an enquiry to the short listed candidates to manage the technical work.

The initiative continues to attract interest, including internationally. We would like to encourage any stakeholders who have not yet participated in the initiative to contact the SACRM via the FFF at <http://www.fossilfuel.co.za>. We thank you for your support whilst the Roadmap is being established and look forward to your participation with us on this important national endeavour.

Yours sincerely

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