

**DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC ENTERPRISES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO.: 810**

**QUESTION:**

**810. Mr F Essack (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:**

Considering that Eskom has been increasingly reliant on diesel to power its Open Cycle Gas Turbines to plug the electricity generation gap, what (a) total amount of money has the power utility spent on diesel for each of the past 5 years since May 2019 and (b) are names of the major suppliers of the diesel stock to the power utility? **NW987E**

**REPLY**

**According to the information received from Eskom:**

1. The table below shows the diesel expenditure for Eskom OCGTs per financial year. Also shown for comparison are the amounts recoverable from Nersa decisions and the Regulatory Clearing Accounts (RCAs). This gap contributes to the need for Government support.

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|  | FY 2020 | FY 2021 | FY 2022 | FY 2023 | FY 2024 |
| Actual (Rbn) | 5.80 | 5.75 | 8.60 | 21.25 | 23.38 |
| Recovered from Nersa (decision + RCA) | 3.61 | 2.89 |  |  |  |

Notes: 1. FY2024 value is draft and unaudited.

2. FY2020 value is for the whole financial year, 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020

1. Current diesel suppliers are: PetroSA, Astron, Shell, BP and Engen.

**Remarks: Approved / Not Approved/Comments**

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**Date: Date:**