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COVID-19 UPDATE

October 2020

NEW REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE ACQUISITION AND WEARING OF FACE MASKS

Dear Colleagues

Please be advised that, based on a guideline by the Department of Health (published on the 5 October 2020) and a subsequent discussion at the ERCC on 29 October 2020, Eskom has resolved that the following requirements be implemented regarding the acquisition and wearing of face masks:

1. Only **masks with three linings** shall be procured as recommended in the guideline.
2. **No masks with air vents** shall be purchased and issued to Eskom guardians.
3. **No buffs** of any kind shall be worn in place of a face mask.
4. **As from Wednesday, 4 November 2020**, no employee, contractor or visitor will be permitted access to any Eskom site if they do not comply with the above requirements.

This requirement is based on research conducted on the different types of face masks which clearly indicate the non-effectiveness of buffs, masks with air vents and one or two layered material masks in preventing the transfer of the virus.

All TCC's are therefore requested to communicate this resolution and ensure that all sites make the necessary changes, where required. The deadline for compliance with the above face mask requirements is 4 November 2020.

Click on the hyperlink below to access the Department of Health Guideline which was published on 5 October 2020:

http://hyperwave.eskom.co.za/0x936e3246_0x097f4a84

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Note: Please send all your queries related to Occupational Hygiene and Safety (OHS) to the e-mail address below.

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Kind regards

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