

STATEMENT ON NECSA GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPOINTMENT.

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Cabinet ratified appointment of Mr Loyiso Tyabashe as the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation (Necsa) Group Chief Executive Officer, at a meeting held on Wednesday, 2nd December, 2020. This follows a recruitment, selection process and recommendation by the Necsa Board and supported by the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy, Mr Gwede Mantashe.

Mr Tyabashe holds a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering (MSc Mech Eng) degree from the University of Cape Town. He brings over twenty years of technical expertise and strategic leadership within the South African nuclear industry. He started his career as an engineer at Eskom in 2000 and is currently the Senior Manager responsible for Nuclear Project Management at the same organisation. In addition, he acquired global exposure primarily with the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) during participation in their various nuclear programmes conducted in South Africa and internationally.

Mr David Nicholls, Chairperson of the Necsa Board of Directors, was positive that this appointment sets Necsa towards a good trajectory. He said “Upon its appointment in January 2020, the board set amongst its key short-term objectives overseeing development of a turn-around strategy, appointment of the GCEO, keeping Necsa afloat. The appointment of Mr Tyabashe is on track as Necsa is on the brink of reconfiguring itself into a more aligned, profitable entity and world leader in nuclear research and development.”

Mr Tyabashe fills in a vacancy left open after Mr Phumzile Tshelane’s departure from Necsa in December 2017. Mr Nicholls, appreciated the role played by Mr Ayanda Myoli who acted as the Group Chief Executive Office since July 2019. “Mr Myoli steered the ship during a very difficult period. He was there to advise the new board on strategic issues and was available to assist in many ways”, Mr Nicholls said

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