

Update on the REIPPPP, clean coal, nuclear, natural gas

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#### Abstract

Since its release in 2011, the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP 2010-2030), or IRP 2010, has been the authoritative text setting out South Africa's electricity plan over the next 20 years. The document indicates timelines on the roll out of key supply side options such as renewable energy, the nuclear, natural gas and coal build programmes, as well as peaking plants typically powered by diesel or natural gas. The much-anticipated promulgation of the first IRP update was due in 2014 and, at present, looks set for 2015. Since initial promulgation of the IRP 2010, major developments have occurred which already give pointers for what the energy landscape will look like in the medium-to-long term despite no formal declarations from an officially updated IRP document.