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from Government Printing Works

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5. All notice submissions that do not comply with point 2 will be charged full price for the notice submission.
6. The current cut-off of all Gazette's remains unchanged for all channels. (Refer to the GPW website for submission deadlines – www.gpwonline.co.za)
7. Incorrectly completed forms and notices submitted in the wrong format will be rejected to the customer to be corrected and resubmitted. Assistance will be available through the Contact Centre should help be required when completing the forms. (012-748 6200 or email info.egazette@gpw.gov.za)
8. All re-submissions by customers will be subject to the above cut-off times.
9. All submissions and re-submissions that miss the cut-off will be rejected to the customer to be submitted with a new publication date.
10. Information on forms will be taken as the primary source of the notice to be published. Any instructions that are on the email body or covering letter that contradicts the notice form content will be ignored.

You are therefore advised that effective from **Monday, 18 May 2015** should you not comply with our new rules of engagement, all notice requests will be rejected by our new system.

Furthermore, the fax number **012- 748 6030** will also be **discontinued** from this date and customers will only be able to submit notice requests through the email address submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za.

DISCLAIMER:

Government Printing Works reserves the right to apply the 25% discount to all Legal and Liquor notices that comply with the business rules for notice submissions for publication in gazettes.

National, Provincial, Road Carrier Permits and Tender notices will pay the price as published in the Government Gazettes.

For any information, please contact the eGazette Contact Centre on 012-748 6200 or email info.egazette@gpw.gov.za

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GOVERNMENT NOTICES • GOEWERMENTSKENNISGEWINGS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO. 601

13 JULY 2015

**MEDICINES AND RELATED SUBSTANCES ACT, (ACT NO. 101 OF 1965)
(ANNUAL SINGLE EXIT PRICE ADJUSTMENT (SEPA) OF MEDICINES AND SCHEDULED
SUBSTANCES FOR THE YEAR 2016)**

In terms of Regulation 8 (1) of the Regulations Relating to the Transparent Pricing System for Medicines and Scheduled Substances of the Medicines and Related Substances Act, 1965 (No. 101 of 1965) as amended, the Minister of Health is required to determine on an annual basis, the extent to which medicine prices may be adjusted. In making this determination the Minister considers the following provisions of Regulation 8 (1)-

- (a) the average CPI for the preceding year;
- (b) the average PPI for the preceding year;
- (c) changes in the rates of foreign exchange and purchasing power parity;
- (d) international pricing information relating to medicines and scheduled substances;
- (e) comments received from interested persons in terms of regulation 8(2); and
- (f) the need to ensure the availability, affordability and quality of medicines and scheduled substances in the Republic.

Comments received from a 2014 gazette requesting for inputs on the adjustment methodology has indicated that stakeholders would like to have a CPI weighting and a foreign exchange weighting in the review of the SEP adjustment as follows:

70% (South African CPI) + 30% (foreign exchange rate) = % adjustment

The Pricing Committee in its determination for the next annual adjustment cycle would consider this weighting *in addition* to the provisions of Regulation 8(1) as listed above.

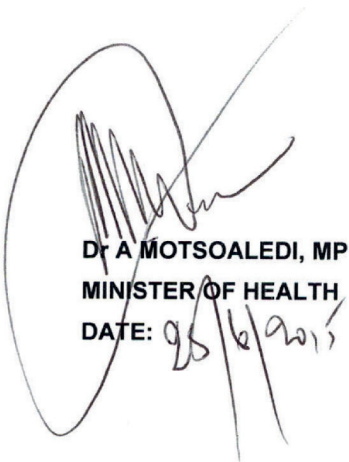
The official data to be used with respect to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for South Africa and the foreign exchange rates would be obtained from official publications by the Statistics South Africa at www.statssa.gov.za and the South African Reserve Bank at www.resbank.co.za respectively.

The exchange rate for each company's weightings would be considered from import and export information obtained from the Department of Trade and Industry. A pooled aggregate of the individual company's import and export information would then be used to inform the changes in the rates of foreign exchange.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments in writing, on a compact disc and a hard copy within three months from the date of publication of this Notice to:

The Director-General: Health
For Attention: Director (Pharmaceutical Economic Evaluations)
Room 0419 South Tower
Civitas Building
Corner Thabo Sehume & Struben Streets
PRETORIA, 0001

For any further enquires please contact the Directorate: Pharmaceutical Economic Evaluations:
telephone: 012 395 8181/4/5; e-mail: sepupdates@helath.gov.za



Dr A MOTSOLEDI, MP
MINISTER OF HEALTH
DATE: 05/07/2015

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