

Minister announces new Eskom Acting CEO

Public Enterprises Minister Lynne Brown says she has approved Eskom Board's recommendation to appoint the current Group Executive: Generation, Matshela Koko, as acting Group Chief Executive of Eskom.



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The announcement comes after outgoing Group Chief Executive Brian Molefe resigned from the power utility earlier this month due to personal reasons.

“I approved the Board’s request to appoint Mr Koko as acting Group Chief Executive Officer. Mr Koko has a wealth of experience and understands the challenges Eskom faces. His appointment will also ensure continuity at Eskom,” the Minister said.

She has also asked the Board to immediately start the process of appointing a permanent Group CEO as a matter of urgency.

“Mr Koko must ensure that the current trajectory at Eskom continues,” said Minister Brown.

Koko joined Eskom in September 1996 as an Engineer-in-training and has moved steadily up the ranks.

The new acting Group CEO has held several other positions at Eskom.

He was a Boiler Plant Engineer Manager and Pressure Parts Engineer in 2000, before taking up a post as a Senior Manager: Power Plant Engineering, Enterprises Division in 2004.

Five years later, in 2009, Koko was appointed as a Senior Manager of Engineering, Generation Division before being appointed as a Divisional Executive for Group Technology in 2010.

Prior to being appointed as a Group Executive for Generation, Koko was a Group Executive Technology and Commercial from 2014.

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