

An industry-led manufacturing initiative



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SPARTAN ENERGY USERS GROUP

“Are You willing to Curtail Your Electricity Usage”

We call on you to join this initiative. Scan QR Code for application.

The Spartan Energy Users Group (SEUG) aim is to:
Have ZERO load shedding. We want an uninterrupted supply of electricity to your factories before, during, and after periods of local shedding.



Is this a Pie in the sky dream?

No: Load curtailment is an accepted alternative to load shedding in Ekurhuleni to reduce load. There is no fiction in what follows. The process to exclude groups of manufacturers from load shedding has been tried and tasted, and it works well if all of the local industry knows what load curtailment is, and plays their part. **No need for load shedding.**

Why pick on me?

To be highly successful, curtailment means that everyone pledges to work together by doing their individual bit to reduce electricity demand in harmony with everyone else, when called on to curtail usage during published load shedding slots. No-one can do this on their own,

What about those special few who want deals to exclude them from loadshedding?

You already have a special deal. Ekurhuleni have in good faith made a load curtailment deal with you, and other manufacturers, and are currently excluding a huge majority of manufactures from load shedding during the day.

What's the problem then: I am already exempted?

Load Curtailment requires action by you! The municipality has failed to brief you adequately, and in their approach have not given you enough information as to how this deal that they have “made with you” works. In addition: You have not been given any information as to how you would run your production during load shedding, if you had to reduce electricity usage by 30%.

In fact: You have not been given the benefit of prior knowledge, Q&A, regular updates. or an opportunity to understand the rules of this 2 way deal.

1. **ARE YOU AWARE** that you already have an **OBLIGATED** deal with Ekurhuleni, and:
 - a. in return for having electricity to run production without interruption for 12 hours during the day (8am to 8pm),

- b. you and everyone else in the Spartan are are expected to reduce your electricity load at the start of, and during load shedding, by 30%¹.
2. Ekurhuleni is not exempted from load shedding by Eskom. They failed to meet Eskom's load reduction targets, and we now have ESKOM controlling load shedding at night (8pm to 8am). It is a contractual obligation.

EKURHULENI NEEDS HELP FROM INDUSTRY IN SPARTAN

3. If Ekurhuleni fails to deliver on its obligation to load shed, Eskom will keep control of load shedding with no option of self management and curtailment, no night shift for many 24 hour operations, and at heightened security risk to you.

LOAD SHEDDING CAN BE AVOIDED

4. To avoid total control by Eskom, or to get the night shift control of load shedding back from Eskom, needs action from you! from your neighbours!, from all manufacturers in Ekurhuleni to curtail electricity use.

WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO REMOVE ESKOM AND RESTORE EKURHULENI

5. This is basic information that we hope will help you to make a decision to find out more, and accelerate your learning. You now have the basic knowledge to start your journey, and get you back to your load shedding exemption.
6. **70% of electricity during load shedding slots is better zero.**

What about non compliance

The Spartan Energy Users Group (SEUG) invites you to become part of the association, and join us in pledging to self curtail electricity usage, to work out how to manage essential operations, despite a 30% reduction during load shedding, and to represent the Spartan community at municipal depot meetings. By joining the initiative you will be agreeing to do your share of electricity load curtailment, and to share related information with others. Those not complying will stand out from the crowd.

How do I do this?

We will help you. Please sign-up now for exemption from load shedding as part of this exciting industry initiative by **COMPLETING** the **APPLICATION** to join the SEUG. Scan here for Application Form



Is there a fee?

Yes Membership in the cluster is R100 per month. There is also a project fee to be paid . Fees are set out in the application to join.

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¹ This percentage differs by area.