

Interview results

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	<u>Category of Strategy</u>	<u>Question</u>	
1	Role of Government	- What is the role of Government in implementing energy efficiency? - Political will to enact legislation - Single most important and critical legislative assistance - Prioritisation of budgets and development agenda (poverty) - Is energy efficiency not a luxury, considering we are yet to attain universal and equitable access?	-Need legislation to regulate industry with certain power factor -Need legislation to sell CFLs to consumers of electricity -There's no law in South Africa for energy efficiency. Maybe in industry there's law but not in habitat -Low energy price is a problem -Eskom has 40years supply of coal, therefore energy efficiency is way off -DME equates renewable energy with energy efficiency
2	Institutional infrastructures	- What is the single most important institutional infrastructure creation during the implementation of energy efficiency? - Why - Who funds it - Who runs it	-DME as overall Lord is fine to maintain this position -Eskom must just outsource DSM function, because Eskom as a monopoly is not doing this thing right. -There's no need to create a new piece of institutional infrastructure
3	Energy pricing	- How does the current low electricity pricing affect implementation of energy efficiency? - Role of Eskom monopoly - How can it be corrected	-Cheap electricity allows people to do as they please -There's lack of consciousness of energy efficiency because of cheap electricity
4	Energy efficiency Programs	- Which energy efficiency programs should South Africa choose, to drive energy efficiency - What type - Blanket approach versus targeted interventions - How to enforce - Who manages - Who funds - Who reviews	-Heavy industries that are energy intensive need dedicated programs -Government departments must install energy efficient light bulbs -Commercial consumers must be targeted -Household (the house shell must be targeted through positioning, roof location and building materials -RDP housing must be made energy efficient

5	Publicity and information dissemination	- How should awareness and information dissemination about energy efficiency be implemented: - What (medium chosen) - What (target messages to segmented consumers) - Who - Funding - How critical is it	-Mass media and through TV and Radio, especially radio through it reach at rural areas. Radio stations such as Lesedi and Ukhozi FM -The reach of TV is very limited -BONESA tried publicity through advertisements in magazines and TV. They were not targeting the right people in rural areas, instead of squatter areas which are temporary settlements
6	Public and private collaboration	- How should PPP be achieved in aid of energy efficiency - Who leads the effort - How to deal with huge legacy of disparity between level of affluence of society - Is it achievable	-I think opportunity exist for PPP to work in energy efficiency. Forums are taking place informally with Government (NER & DME)
7	Research, Development, Demonstration and testing	- Who should be responsible for R&D in respect of energy efficiency - Who to lead and manage - Who and how to fund - Independence	-SABS is fine. We need a commercially driven entity though
8	Funding	- How should energy efficiency be financed? - Type of funding (Loans, DFI, Grants, Interest rate schemes, Environmental levies) - Incentives? - Tax breaks - Depreciation allowances - Import duties - Research grants	-Commercial sources of finance must be considered -Long to medium term soft loans must be considered
9	Donor support	- What role should donors play in the implementation of energy efficiency - Capacity building - Sustainability - Funding - Influence on choice of programs - Comprehensive engagement with donors (manage their interventions carefully)	-Not sure whether they are good – some of them are good -The grants they offer stifle business success. You need risk capital and not grant funding -The grants must be used for educating the masses, training and capacity building initiatives

10	nd post-implementation evaluation	• What role does post-implementation monitoring and evaluation of projects play? ○ How ○ Who ○ When	-It is useless for those who are conscious of energy efficiency already.
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