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Dear Ms. Simelane

KRIEL POWER STATION'S MONTHLY STACK EMISSIONS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023

This serves as the monthly report required in terms of Section 7.4 in Kriel Power Station's Atmospheric Emission License 17/4/AEL/MP312/11/09. The emissions are for the month of November 2023. Verified emissions of particulates matter, SO_2 and NO_x (as NO_2) are also included.

Raw Materials and Products

Table 1: Quantity of Raw Materials and Products used/produced for the month of November 2023

Raw Materials and Products used	Raw Material Type	Units	Maximum Permitted Consumption / Rate (Quantity)	Consumption / Rate in Month of November 2023
assa	Coal	Tons/month	1 227 600	673 566.200
	Fuel Oil	Tons/month	5 000	5 651.396
Production Rates	Product/ By- Product Name	Unit	Maximum Production Capacity Permitted (Quantity)	Production Rate in Month of November 2023
	Ash	Tons/month	not specified	177 821.477
	RE PM	kg/MWh	not specified	1.046

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Abatement Technology

Table 2: Abatement Equipment Control Technology for November 2023.

		Actual Efficiency (%)	Utilisation
		November 2023	November 2023
Associated Unit/Stack	Technology Type		
Unit 1	ESP	98.34%	1.05%
Unit 2	ESP	99.45%	100.00
Unit 3	ESP	99.04%	94.01%
Unit 4	ESP	99.19%	100.00
Unit 5	ESP	98.64%	100.00%
Unit 6	ESP	Outage	Outage

Energy Source Characteristics

Table 3: Energy Source Material Characteristics for the month of November 2023

Characteristic	Stipulated Range (Unit)	Monthly Average Content		
Sulphur Content	0.6-1.2 (%)	0.760		
Ash Content	27-32 (%)	26.400		

Monthly Monitor Reliability

Associated Unit/Stack	PM (%)	SOx (%)	NOx (%)
North	68.85	84.23	94.00
South	51.84	100.00	100.00

Emissions Reporting

Table 6.5: Graph Legend Description

Condition	Colour	Description
Normal		Emissions below Emission Limit Value (ELV)
Grace		Emissions above the ELV during grace period
Section 30		Emissions above ELV during a NEMA S30 incident
Contravention		Emissions above ELV but outside grace or S30 incident conditions

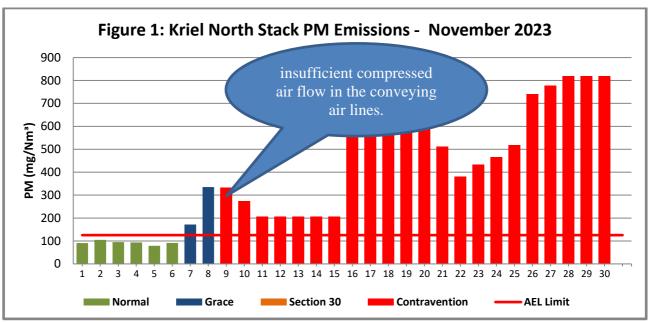


Figure 1: PM emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the North Stack. Monthly average was 410.4 mg/Nm3.

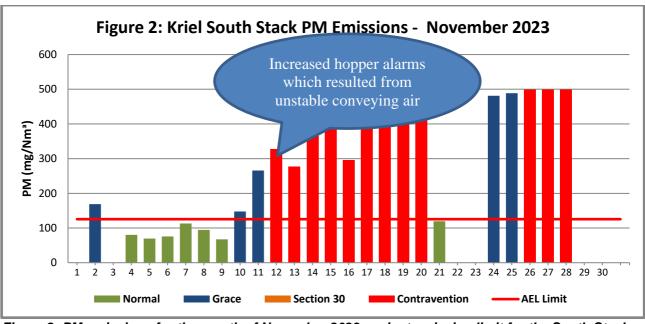


Figure 2: PM emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the South Stack. Monthly average was 305.3 mg/Nm3.

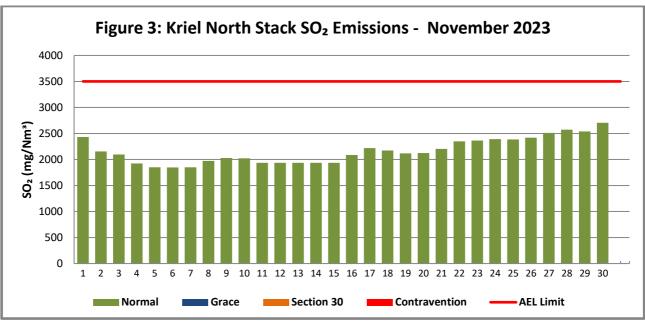


Figure 3. SO_2 emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the North Stack. The SOx Limit is 3500mg/Nm3.

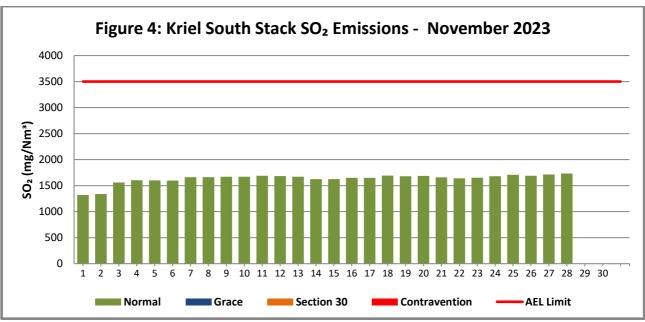


Figure 4. SO₂ emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the South Stack. The SOx Limit is 3500mg/Nm3.

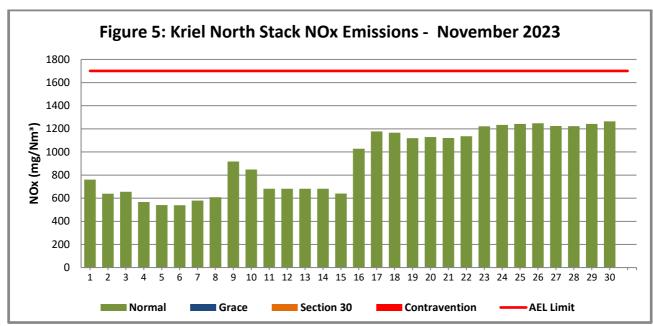


Figure 5. NO_2 emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the North Stack. The NOx Limit is 1600mg/Nm3.

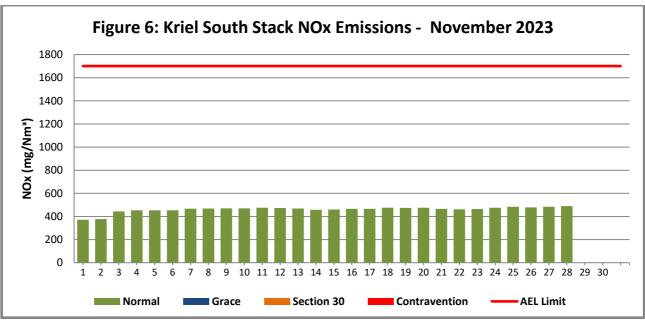


Figure 6. NO₂ emissions for the month of November 2023 against emission limit for the South Stack. The NOx Limit is 1600mg/Nm3.

Table 4: Monthly tonnages for the month November 2023

Unit	PM (tons)	SO ₂ (tons)	NO ₂ (tons)
SUM	1 271.3	7 084.5	2 684.8

Table 5: Each unit and respective days operating under normal operation and section 30 days respectively.

Table 5.1: Operating days in non-compliance to PM AEL Limit – November 2023

Associated Unit/Stack	Normal	Grace	Section 30	Contravention	Monthly Limit Exceedance	Average PM (mg/Nm³)
North	06	02	0	22	24	410.4
South	07	05	0	12	17	305.3

Table 5.2: Operating days in compliance to SOx AEL Limit - November 2023

Associated Unit/Stack	Normal	Grace	Section 30	Contravention	Total Exceedance	Average SOx (mg/Nm³)
North	30	0	0	0	0	2 167.5
South	28	0	0	0	0	1 636.8

Table 5.3: Operating days in compliance to NOx AEL Limit – November 2023

Associated Unit/Stack	Normal	Grace	Section 30	Contravention	Total Exceedance	Average NOx (mg/Nm³)
North	30	0	0	0	0	926.6
South	28	0	0	0	0 0 461.6	

Light up information

Table 6: PM Start-up information for the month of November 2023

North Stack	Eve	ent 1	Event 2		Event 3		Ε	vent 4
Unit No.	Un	it 1	U	nit 1	Unit 1		Unit 2	
Breaker Open (BO)	11:30 pm	2023/11/01	5:25 am	2023/11/03	9:10 pm	2023/11/05	8:05 pm	2023/11/07
Draught Group (DG) Shut Down (SD)	12:15 pm	2023/11/02	10:45 am	2023/11/04	10:05 pm	2023/11/06	2:20 am	2023/11/08
BO to DG SD (duration)	00:12:45	DD:HH:MM	01:05:20	DD:HH:MM	01:00:55	DD:HH:MM	00:06:15	DD:HH:MM
Fires in time	7:55 am	2023/11/08			11:10 pm	2023/11/19	6:40 pm	2023/11/19
Synch. to Grid (or BC)	2:40 am	2023/11/08			4:05 pm	2023/11/20	10:45 pm	2023/11/19
Fires in to BC (duration)	#######################################	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM	00:16:55	DD:HH:MM	00:04:05	DD:HH:MM
Emissions below limit from BC (end date)	not > limit	not > limit			not > limit	not > limit	not > limit	not > limit
Emissions below limit from	n/a	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM	n/a	DD:HH:MM	n/a	DD:HH:MM

BC (duration)

North Stack Cont.	Event 1		Event 2		Event 3		Event 4	
Unit No.	U	Init 3	U	Init 1	U	nit 2	Unit 2	
Breaker Open (BO)	5:35 pm	2023/11/15	7:40 pm	2023/11/19	6:40 am	2023/11/07	6:15 am	2023/11/09
Draught Group (DG) Shut Down (SD)	DG did not trip or SD	DG did not trip or SD	7:55 pm	2023/11/19	10:15 pm	2023/11/07	11:30 am	2023/11/09
BO to DG SD (duration)	n/a	DD:HH:MM	00:00:15	DD:HH:MM	00:15:35	DD:HH:MM	00:05:15	DD:HH:MM
Fires in time	8:00 am	2023/11/24						
Synch. to Grid (or BC)	7:00 pm	2023/11/24						
Fires in to BC (duration)	00:11:00	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM
Emissions below limit from BC (end date)	not > limit	not > limit						
Emissions below limit from BC (duration)	n/a	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM

South Stack	Ev	ent 1	Event 2		Event 3		Event 4	
Unit No.	Unit 4		Unit 5		Unit 5		Unit 5	
Breaker Open (BO)	1:45 am	2023/11/21	6:00 am	2023/11/21	3:10 pm	2023/11/21	5:30 am	2023/11/22
Draught Group (DG) Shut Down (SD)	2:15 am	2023/11/21	2:20 pm	2023/11/21	4:05 am	2023/11/22	9:30 am	2023/11/22
BO to DG SD (duration)	00:00:30	DD:HH:MM	00:08:20	DD:HH:MM	00:12:55	DD:HH:MM	00:04:00	DD:HH:MM
Fires in time	11:30 am	2023/11/05	4:40 am	2023/11/01			10:20 am	2023/11/22
Synch. to Grid (or BC)	6:00 am	2023/11/06	3:40 pm	2023/11/01			4:30 am	2023/11/23
Fires in to BC (duration)	00:18:30	DD:HH:MM	00:11:00	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM	00:18:10	DD:HH:MM
Emissions below limit from BC (end date)	not > limit	not > limit	not > limit	not > limit			12:20 am	2023/11/28
Emissions below limit from BC (duration)	n/a	DD:HH:MM	n/a	DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM	04:19:50	DD:HH:MM

South StackCont.	Ev	ent 1	Ε	vent 2	Ev	ent 3	Ev	rent 4
Unit No.	Unit 6		no event		Unit 5		Unit 5	
Breaker Open (BO)	10:15 am	2023/11/22	4:30 pm	2023/11/02	8:05 pm	2023/11/21	12:20 am	2023/11/28
Draught Group (DG) Shut Down (SD)	12:00 pm	2023/11/22	DG did not trip or SD	DG did not trip or SD	11:25 pm	2023/11/21	1:05 pm	2023/11/28
BO to DG SD (duration)	00:01:45	DD:HH:MM	n/a	DD:HH:MM	00:03:20	DD:HH:MM	00:12:45	DD:HH:MM
Fires in time								
Synch. to Grid (or BC)								
Fires in to BC (duration)		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM
Emissions below limit from BC (end date)								
Emissions below limit from BC (duration)		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM		DD:HH:MM

Complaints Register

Table 9: Complaints for the month of November 2023.

Source Code/ Name	Root Cause Analysis	Calculation of Impacts/ emissions associated with the incident	Dispersion modeling of pollutants where applicable	Measures implemented to prevent reoccurrence	Date by which measure will be implemented	
There was no complaint related to air quality received during the month of November 2023.						

General

The particulate matter (PM10) emissions on the North Common Stack exceeded the **monthly limit**; on average emissions figure of **410.4 mg/Nm³** while South Common Stack also exceeded the **monthly limit** on the recorded PM10 monthly average figure of **305.3 mg/Nm³**. The gaseous (NOx & SOx) emissions on the North and South common Stacks were within the **daily limit** during the month of November 2023; refer to graphs above.

NB: The rest of the information demonstrating compliance with the emissions license conditions is supplied in the annual emission reports sent to your office.

Kriel Power Station's List of NEMA Section 30 Incidents for 2023/2024 Financial Year

Month	Description of Section 30 Incidents - including the reference number	Root Cause (s)	Status of S30 Incident with DEFF (open or closed)	Remarks
April-2023	South Stack High Emissions	Unit 4 A EFP plant breakdown causing half load conditions,	Open	

May 2022	North Stock High	which calls for operating the unit with fuel oil support to badly impacting the stack emissions	Open	
May - 2023	North Stack High Emissions	Unit 4 A EFP plant breakdown causing half load conditions which calls for operating the unit with fuel oil support to badly impacting the stack emissions	Ореп	
May - 2023	South Stack High Emissions	Unit 4 A EFP plant breakdown causing half load conditions which calls for operating the unit with fuel oil support to badly impacting the stack emissions	Open	
June – 2023	North Stack High Emissions	Units operating at half load conditions which affects the sulphur dosing and causes the plant to operate with fuel oil support because of high turbine back pressure, low final feedwater temperature, high works power loss from high usage of electric feed pump and dust handling plant because of dust transportation	Open	

		resulting in high		
		stack emissions		
June - 2023	South Stack High Emissions	stack emissions Units operating at half load conditions which affects the sulphur dosing and causes the plant to operate with fuel oil support because of high turbine back pressure, low final feedwater temperature, high works power loss from high usage of electric feed pump and dust handling	Open	
		plant because of dust transportation resulting in high stack emissions		
July - 2023	North Stack High Emissions	The north stack emissions daily average has significantly reduced as results of shutting of unit 2 outage for the planned GO outage. However, due to the isolation of cooling tower number 2 for the cooling tower fills replacement project, unit 3 is operating at low loads to condenser vacuum high. The half load conditions mean supporting the unit with oil burners to support combustion and sulphur trioxide (SO3) not in		

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		service. The south
		stack PM
		emission daily
		average has
		significantly
		reduced since
		synchronisation of
		units from half
		station shutdown.
A 2022	North Ctook High	
Aug - 2023	North Stack High Emissions	The north stack
	ETTISSIOTIS	emissions
		exceedance was
		due to RH1 and
		RH2 poor field
		performance (high
		spark rates)
		which resulted in
		ESP reduced
		collection
		efficiency. The
		reduced field
		performance on
		the first field was
		as results
		of high hoppers,
		which resulted
		from an ash
		backlog on the
		dust handling
		plant.
Sep - 2023	North Stack High	The North Stack
•	Emissions	emissions
		exceedance was
		due the increase
		of hopper alarms
		to 24 on Unit 1
		due to blow tanks
		which were not
		available. Blow
		tank 1 2 discharge
		seal was
		damaged and
		blow tank 1 2 was
		leaking on the
		vent.
		Consequently, the
		electrostatic
		precipitators
		(ESP)
		performance

		accumulation
		inside the fields.
Oct - 2023	North Stack high	Requested grace
	Emissions	period to exceed
		the limit after the
		installation of New
		Abatement
		Technology HFTs.
		The station will
		undertake new
		Correlation curve
		and back fit
		accordingly and
		report accurately.
Oct - 2023	South Stack High	The ESP fields
	Emissions	performance
		continued to
		deteriorate, with
		the collection
		efficiency below
		40%. It was noted
		that there was
		significant drop in
		fields performance
		on the RHS only.
		The RHS poor
		fields performance
		was as results of
		the failure of the
		DE rapping
		system. During
		commissioning of
		the 5B transformer
		which was
		replaced on the
		29th of September
		2023, the
		phasing was not
		verified, and motor
		directions checks
		were not
		conducted
		thereafter. This
		then resulted in
		motor rotating
		in the wrong
		directions and
		consequently the
		failure of torque
		insulators which
		rendered most DE
		rappers not

		available. It should be noted there were other causes that contributed to the high emissions, this includes the saturation of the ID fans and poor dust handling plant availability as results of failure of the overland conveyors and blow tanks.
Nov - 2023	North High Stack Emissions	It was due to the loss of two main electric conveying air compressors, namely Demag 5 & 6. Both compressors experienced rotor crushing and bearing seizure due to inadequate oil in the mechanical components during operation. Due to a decrease in the volumetric flow rate from the compressors, the dry dust pipes and collecting vessels experienced blockages.
Nov - 2023	South High Stack Emissions	PM emissions daily average increased due to hopper alarms which resulted from unstable conveying air from time to time. The effect of unstable conveying air resulted in sustained hopper

	alarms that failed to clear. As result	
	there was a high	
	ash accumulation	
	and hang ups	
	inside the fields.	
	The hang ups	
	bridged the	
	Discharge	
	electrode and	
	Collecting	
	Electrodes plates	
	which results in	
	arcing and	
	undervoltage trips.	
	The high	
	ash accumulation	
	further affected	
	the CE rapping	
	system. The ash accumulation and	
	hang ups resulted	
	in a drop in ESP	
	collection	
	efficiency to below	
	30 % and	
	consequently high	
	PM emissions.	
Dec - 2023		
Jan - 2024		
Feb - 2024		
Mar - 2024		