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# POWER MEASUREMENT NEWSLETTER



**Our new Head office in George is complete!**



**A special article from TVDM's Co-Founder, Zerlinda Van Der Merwe:**

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# **UNVEILING OUR NEW HEAD OFFICE IN GEORGE!**



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Should you have any queries in George, feel free to come visit us at 7 Windsor Road, Dormehls Drift!



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## **“MEASURING UP”**

By now, most of us know that there are 2 different types of meters that can be installed on common property and within sections and exclusive use areas, namely separate meters to measure the supply of electricity, water or gas, and separate pre-payment meters on the common property to control the supply of water or electricity to a section or exclusive use area.

For the former, the members are required to approve the installation by ordinary resolution taken at an AGM or SGM called on 14 days notice or 7 if the event of urgency in the discretion of the trustees. For the latter, the members will need to approve the installation by special resolution at an AGM or SGM called on 60 days notice, and this notice must be sent to not only members, but occupiers (tenants) as well. In this case, the notice must set out the costs of the installation and the costs associated with its services for a 3 year period.

In both cases, it is the body corporate (the trustees) that installs and maintains these installations, including repair and replacement, while the owners (and indirectly tenants) are liable for the cost of the supply and consumption as metered or purchased.

In the case of a pre-payment system, the body corporate must further ensure that the system, once installed, does not infringe on any occupier's rights under the Constitution of the RSA, to access basic services. The owner of a section, as landlord, must further ensure that the system does not infringe on the rights of their tenant as per the Rental Housing Act.

Now, that we understand the legalities surrounding these 2 installations in sectional title schemes, it is vitally important to ensure that you choose the correct reputable and knowledgeable utility management service provider, as any system is only as good as its installation and maintenance, as well as proper usage recording and recovery, including charges associated with the supply of services.

We highly recommend our trustworthy colleagues in the community schemes industry, Power Measurement.



Zerlinda Van Der Merwe, Co-founder

# **PMD'S TRAINING DAYS**



## **PST Training:**

PMD staff members recently attended training courses held by PST Training.

## **First-Aid Training:**

Staff wellness is very important to us here at PMD, so we try to ensure that most of our staff attend periodic first aid training courses.

They were able to learn about treating common injuries, Emergency scene management and assessing an emergency situation, Elementary anatomy and physiology, & first aid procedures.



## **Basic Firefighting:**

Along with first aid training, understanding what to do in the case of a fire is an important skill. Our staff are trained to be able to recognise the different types of fires, and how to respond appropriately.



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## **EVENT**



Johan De Klerk, one of our directors, was invited as a panel speaker, and gave a presentation on the upcoming TID rollover, which affects all prepaid meters.

PMD was also able to engage with various other members, including solar service providers.

### **About SARPA and AMEU:**

SARPA (The South African Revenue Protection Association) and AMEU (The Association of Municipal Electrical Utilities) are industry organisations that hold quarterly meetings in various locations around the Western Cape. PMD has been a proud member of both organisations for many years, and our directors and management regularly attend the meetings and hold presentations for the members.

The most recent meeting was held in Velddrif on 18 and 19 July.



### **Final reminder:**

The TID Rollover takes place on the 25th November 2024, its not too late to check with your service provider whether the necessary changes have been made.



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# **HOW PMD SPENT** **MANDELA DAY**



PMD in Cape Town spent their Mandela Day giving back to the community

On top of moving, Our George office were able to make time and dedicated Mandela Day to contributing to Child and Family Welfare.



In Johannesburg, Power Measurement celebrated Mandela Day by donating essential supplies to children.

