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Lephalale Local Municipality (LLM) hosted the newly appointed Medupi project manager, Phillip Dukashe on Monday, 25 January 2016 in order to make formal introductions and share some of Council's concerns and praises for the Medupi project.

The Mayor of Lephalale, Cllr MJ Maeko welcomed Mr Dukashe and pledged the Municipality's support for the project. The Mayor said that LLM is delighted to work with Mr. Dukashe who they believe understands the economic transformation agenda. He urged the new project manager to escalate Eskom's commitment towards community development, skills development as well as transformation in organisational structures.

Mr Dukashe said in his address that the Medupi team fully supports the Municipality's mission in terms of rural development. "We want to leave a lasting legacy and we look forward to working with local government to achieve our goals of building the largest power station in Africa. We also share in the Municipality's vision of building a vibrant city that will become the energy hub of Africa."

Eskom's appointment of Mr Phillip Dukashe follows the resignation of Mr Roman Crookes earlier this year. Mr Dukashe, a civil engineer by profession, has been working for Eskom for 22 years at various managerial levels. From 2010 until now, he was General Manager for Generation Coal Projects, which included the major refurbishment of coal fired power stations such as return to service of the Komati, Camden and Grootvlei power stations; and the recovery of the Majuba silo and Duvha unit 3 projects. Between 2001 and 2005 he was a power station manager for Tutuka power station. Queries:

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