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The report titled **Fracking in South Africa: In search of a strataegy for the DBSA** is available on the intranet.

ABSTRACT

The energy mix in South Africa remains an important debate, even though the then Minister of Finance claimed that South Africa will have 'adequate power' within the next two years as Kusile, Medupi and Ingula come online. This briefing paper looks at the shale gas debates and explores the opportunities for the DBSA in that industry.

MAIN FINDINGS:

- Follow the developments at national level closely to determine the outcome of the parliamentary and ministerial processes related to exploration and drilling rights as per the legal frameworks.
- Identify the players in the fracking industry at all levels of the value chain and market the potential role of the DBSA in providing finance to them.
- Monitor and analyse the proponents and antagonists in the debate and determine how the debate is developing. Monitor especially any legal contestation of the decisions.
- Keep fracking on the radar as it could contribute to the energy mix in the long-run, if approved, and reduce South Africa's carbon footprint.
- Monitor new developments in the fracking sector.