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**MEDIA STATEMENT** 

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

RE: APPOINTMENT OF DR. BONGANI SAYIDINI AS CEO OF PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

Cape Town, 16 October 2025 – The Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) welcomes the Cabinet's announcement of the appointment of **Dr. Bongani Sayidini as Chief Executive Officer**, as confirmed in the Statement on the Cabinet meeting held on 15 October 2025.

We are delighted by the confirmation of Dr. Sayidini's appointment as CEO of PASA," said Satish Roopa, Chairperson of the Board. His leadership marks a significant milestone in the Agency's journey towards long-term stability and strategic growth. Over the past four years, Dr. Sayidini has consistently demonstrated exceptional expertise and visionary leadership in his roles as Chief Operations Officer and, more recently, as Acting Chief Executive Officer.

Dr Sayidini is a **Petroleum Engineer and Doctor of Philosophy in Oil and Gas Law**. With over 24 years of experience in the petroleum industry, 20 of which have been in the Petroleum Sector. He has held various technical and strategic leadership roles, including Vice President of exploration and Production and acting CEO of PetroSA. His academic credentials are equally impressive. Dr Sayidini holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering, A **Master of Science (MSc) in Petroleum Engineering** from the University of London, and a Diploma from Imperial College. He also earned **an LLM in Petroleum Law and Policy (with distinction) from the University of Dundee**, Scottland, as well as a **PhD in Petroleum Law and an MBA, both from the University of Cape Town.** 

The Board is confident that, under Dr. Sayidini's stewardship and with the support of PASA's experienced and committed executive team, the Agency will continue to build on this momentum and play a pivotal role in shaping South Africa's energy future.

Directors:



"As a seasoned professional in the upstream petroleum sector, Dr. Sayidini brings a wealth of knowledge and a deep understanding of the industry. His relationships with key stakeholders positions PASA to advance its mandate with renewed vigour and purpose.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Sayidini as he assumes this critical leadership role," Roopa added.

## **ENDS**

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