

# Accountability reprieve for energy minister

Energy minister Mmamaloko Kubayi is off the hook after the parliamentary portfolio committee oversight meeting to hold her accountable on events at PetroSA and the Central Energy Fund was postponed indefinitely.



Picture: *The SA Mag*

PetroSA has posted the worst single loss yet by a state-owned entity and the directors of the Central Energy Fund were recently suspended.

Kubayi would also have had to answer several questions from DA MP Gordon Mackay on the recent suspension of her department's director-general for policy, planning and clean energy, Ompi Aphane.

After being on the parliamentary programme for some time, the meeting was suddenly cancelled on Monday afternoon with no reasons given.

Some MPs had already travelled from across the country to attend the meeting.

Mackay said several of the oversight committee's meetings had been cancelled, to the extent that it had not met for almost three months.

"[The] cancellation of a meeting " in which the minister was supposed to be held to account for the shambolic management

of her department, the spree of suspensions and her political cover-up of the strategic fuel stock sale " is a clear indication that Minister Kubayi and the ANC are running scared," Mackay said.

"The minister can run, but the DA will not let her hide."

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