

## **Afrox secures Western Cape LPG stocks**

Consumers can expect ongoing security of supply of Handigas thanks to Afrox's plans to import LPG through the port of Cape Town. The first 2017 stocks of LPG docked and were off-loaded last week into waiting Afrox tankers from the carrier GasChem.

"This shipment of LPG marks the ongoing commitment by Afrox to keep Western Cape customers fully stocked with LPG," said Afrox head of LPG, Mark Radford. "The aim of importing directly into Cape Town is to ensure both domestic and industrial customers have seen the last of stock shortages in the region.

"In particular, this has to be excellent news for consumer demand for Handigas which skyrockets in winter when stocks and availability of LPG locally have tended to run low or run out completely in previous years."

As part of its strategic plan for LPG, Afrox has an additional import agreement with Petredec Limited, one of the largest global Liquefied Petroleum Gas 'LPG' traders, to ensure security of supply for existing customers nationally.

These import agreements aim to ensure a steady supply Afrox Handigas to the consumer and promote the use of LPG as an alternative to electricity and paraffin for heating, cooking, hot water, braaiing, camping, hiking purposes and domestic LPG power generators.

### **Notes to the Editor**

Attached are numerous photographs and a video clip specific to this press release.

### **About Handigas**

Instant, effective and reliable energy, Afrox Handigas (LPGas) is a mixture of butane and propane. It drives processes and products which range from those that consume thousands of tons a week at industrial sites to the hospitality, healthcare and consumer sector where it is used for heating, cooking and lighting. The ability to provide effective energy to such a broad range of applications is made possible by the wide range of cylinders and storage vessels in which Afrox Handigas can be supplied.

### About Afrox

African Oxygen Limited (Afrox) is sub-Saharan Africa's market leader in gases and welding products. Afrox was founded in 1927, listed on the JSE in 1963, and has prospered by constantly meeting the needs of customers and developing solutions that add value to customer applications. Afrox operates in South Africa and in ten other African countries. It also manages operations in five additional countries on behalf of its parent company, The Linde Group - a global gases, engineering and technology company.

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