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Title - The Spot Market in SAPP and Impact of Demand Side Management Options

The Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) has traditionally been trading electricity using long term bilateral contracts. SAPP has introduced the spot market in the form of a Day Ahead Market (DAM). Trading electricity in an environment where there is a generation capacity shortage poses some challenges and opportunities. This allows the demand side to participate in the market and generation supply is constrained. Demand Market Participation has helped the supply side. The advent of the spot market has led to higher volumes being traded on the spot market.

The aim and objective of the presentation is to present SAPP's experience in the spot market development and operation. The benefits and disadvantages of demand side management options in the spot market will be explored.