

2011 Annual Report to the Select Committee on Public

Enterprises

Broadband Infracore

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Milestone Achievements

- Launched to the broader telecoms market in November 2010
- 5 new open access long distance Points of Presence (PoP) in KwaZulu-Natal, Western Cape and Gauteng
- 3 customers signed on and piloting currently being conducted by all major telecom providers
- Expanded fibre optic cable footprint to ~ 13 250km

Operational Achievements

- Establishment of an in-house maintenance and operations department
- International connectivity: continued participation in WACS with a 5.12 terabit capacity
- Staff complement increased from 67 to 156

Financial Achievements

- Gross revenue before straight lining up by 23%
- Capex up by 119% to R 536.7mln
- Forex loss of R 45.4mln
- Internal control weaknesses were identified, with the majority of these now addressed



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Finance overview highlights



KEY:

- Better than target
- Worse than target

KPA	KPI	Unit	Actual	Target	Achievement
Strategic	Reduced pricing for telecommunication services	%	65	10	●
	Broadband connectivity, availability & access	%	71	100	●
Financial	Revenue	R mln	391*	412	●
	EBITDA	R mln	(1.24)	(98.00)	●
	Net profit/loss after tax	R mln	(83.60)	(175.00)	●
	Debt funding	R mln	0	109	●

* = Gross value before straight lining

Network operational performance:



Faster Network Restoration

4.53 hours to restore core network faults against a target of 8 hours

Exceeding Network Service SLA's

Network service availability requires improvement but exceeded all signed customer Service Level Agreements (SLAs)

Focus on Supplier Development

70% local content in capital expenditure roll out against a target of 26%

Faster Delivery Time

Delivery time for capital projects requires improvement

Financial performance: The company has implemented various measures having been put in place to address this



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Item	2011 R '000	2010 R' 000	Change
Revenue*	297 560	306 400	 3%
Cost of sales	261 149	234 820	 11%
EBITDA	(943 364)	(9 745)	 9 580%
Operating expenses	244 120	172 590	 41%
Loss for the year	206 932	28 312	 631%

* = Net revenue after straight lining (Gross revenue before straight lining shows an increase in revenue of 23% from 2010 to 2011)





Overall performance: On average have increased by 25%



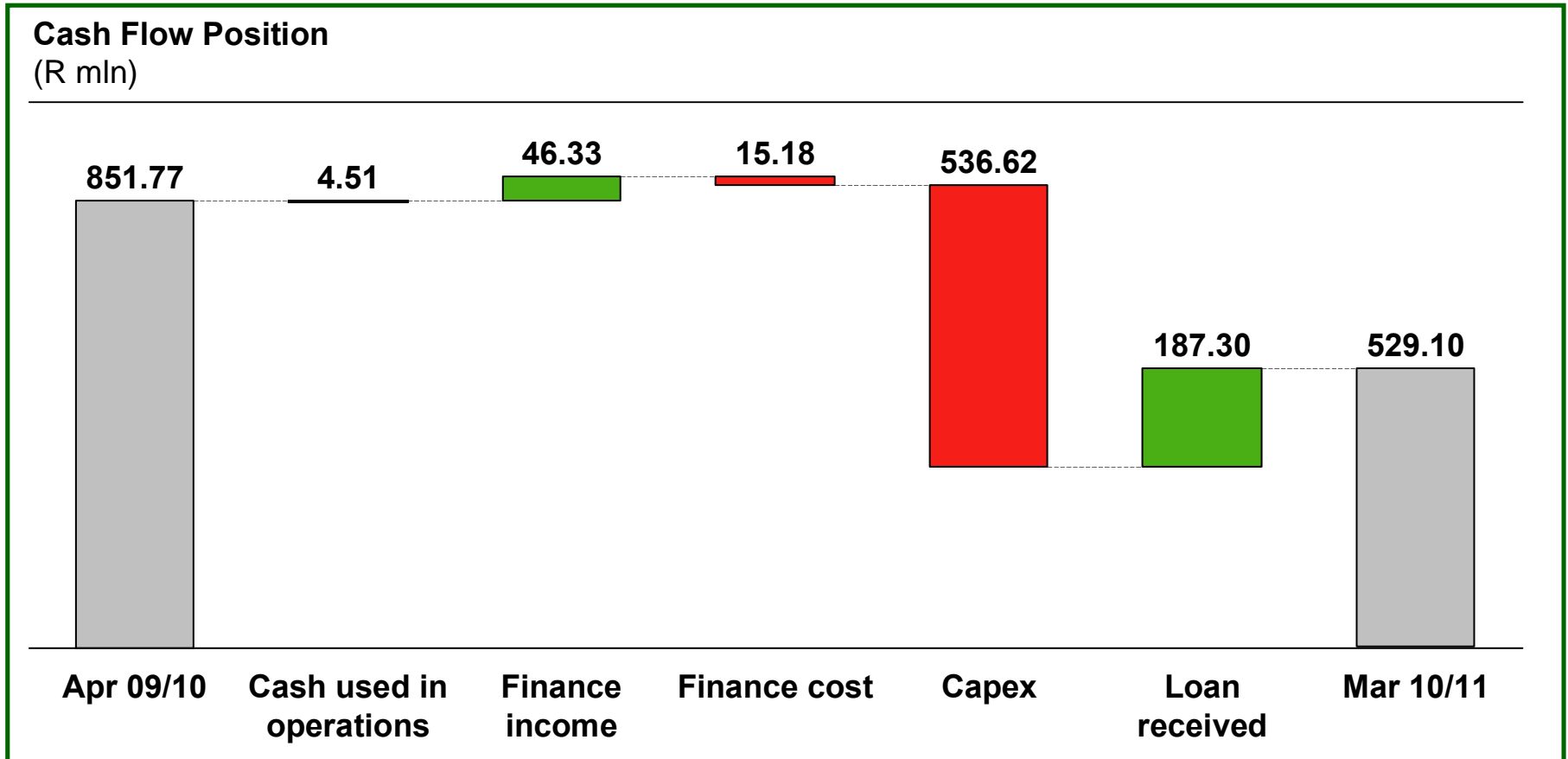
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Expense Drivers	2011 R '000	2010 R' 000	Change
Outsource fee	165 995	167 219	 0.7%
Managed service contracts	67 272	62 732	 7%
Depreciation and amortisation <i>Increase in depreciation and amortisation charge is as a result of an increase in infrastructure costs (equipment) and intangibles by 56%</i>	113 373	91 264	 24%
Personnel costs <i>Staff complement increased from 67 to 156</i> <i>➤ Appointment of technicians for maintenance in the various regions; as well as an increase in NOC staff</i>	66 333	46 043	 44%

Cash Flow Position: Significant Capex was undertaken





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Identified 3 primary focus areas for moving forward



Financial

- Retain existing customers and attract new clients through enhanced service
- Improve EBITDA margin by focussing on improving operational efficiencies
- Enhance capital programme roll out and manage capital expenditure to revenue

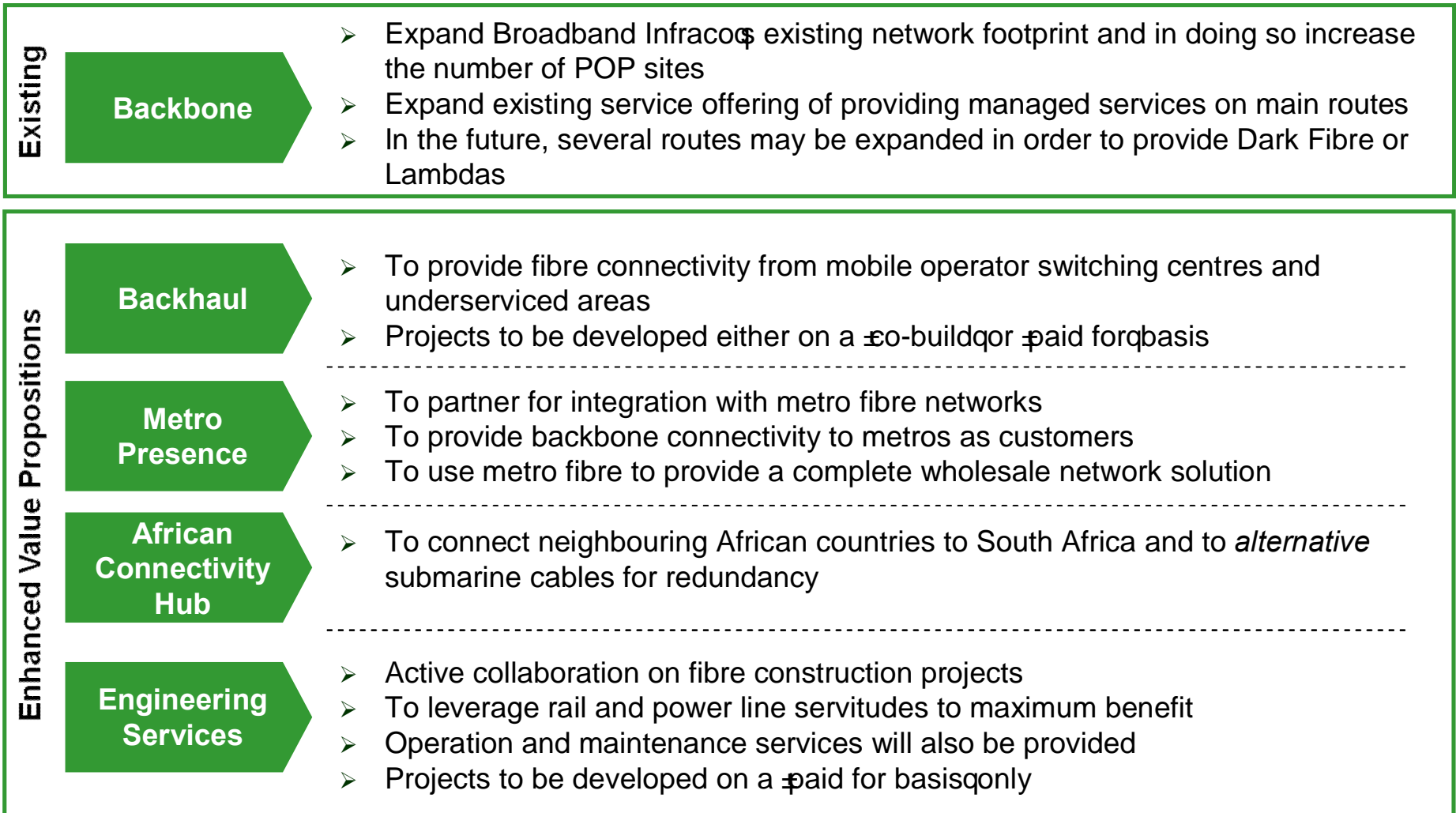
Services

- Expand network, improve services and collaborate with customers in order to improve our value proposition
- Pilot projects: micro telecoms model for underserved areas
- Achieve enhanced Southern African regional connectivity
- Alignment and collaboration with Sentech
- Introduce international services when WACS goes live in 2012

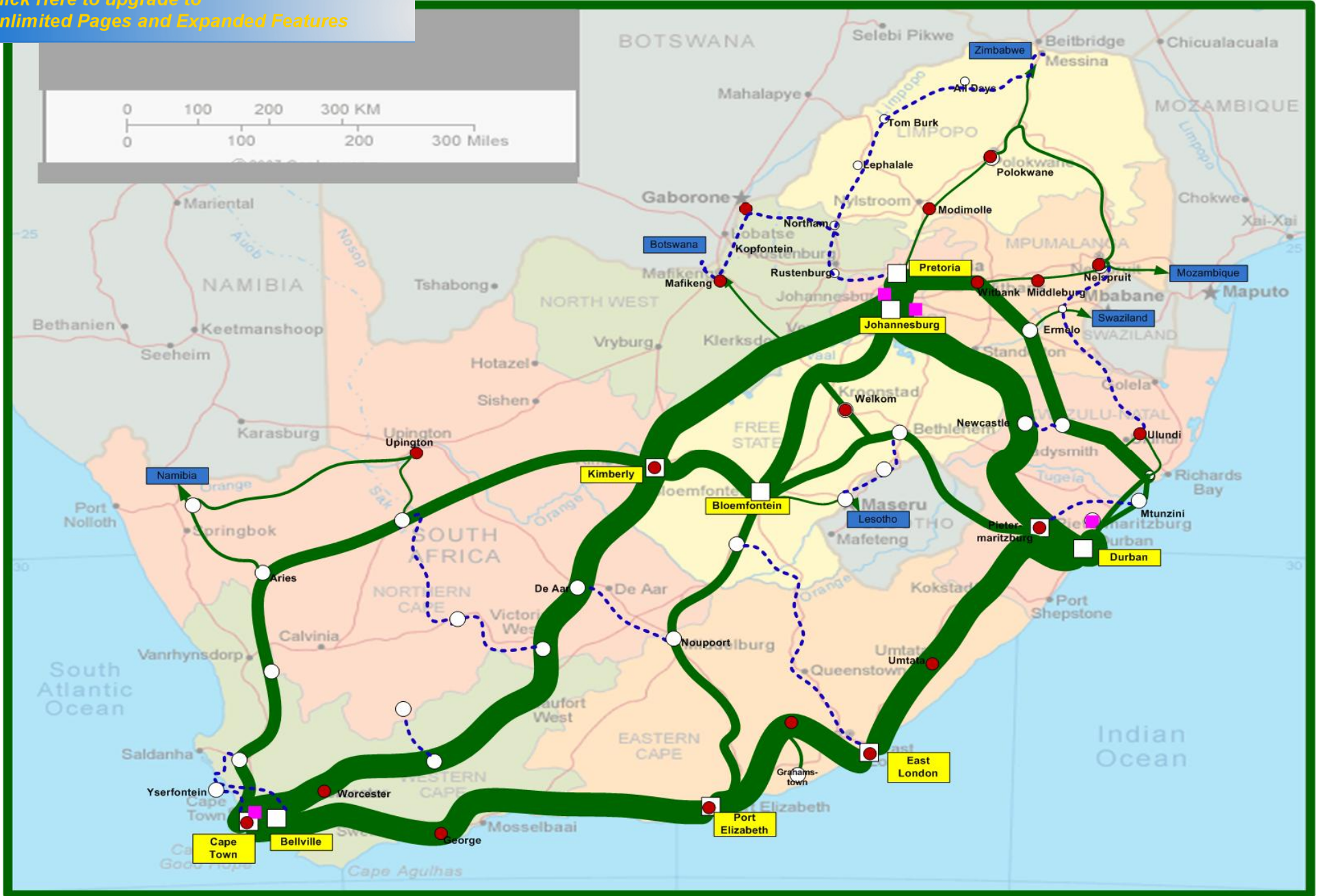
Internal Processes

- Improve compliance to the PFMA and National Treasury regulations
- Continued focus on human capital development
- Strategically re-align the organisation to the changing needs of the market

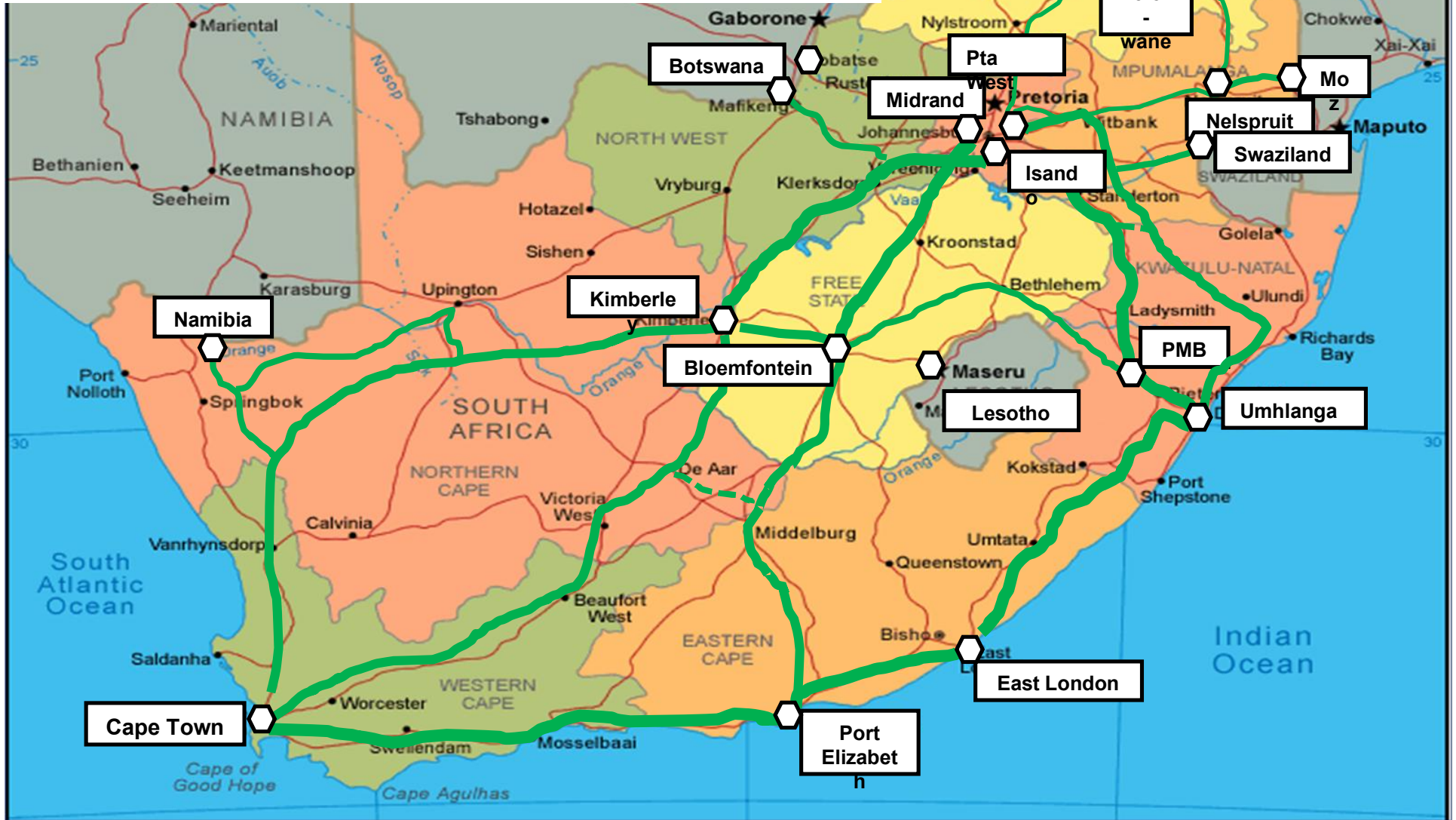
Updated corporate plan provides for enhanced value propositions



structure & Roadmap



roadmap



Plan for Open Access POPs

Gauteng

Pretoria East
Pretoria North

FreeState

Bloemfontein
Welkom
Bethlehem

Mpumalanga

Nelspruit
Middleburg
Witbank

KwaZulu-Natal

Pietermaritzburg
Ethekwini
Stanger
Empangeni
Ulundi
Newcastle
Ladysmith
Estcourt
Mooi River
Kokstad
Port Shepstone

Northern Cape

Kimberly
Upington

North West

Rustenberg
Mafikeng
Kopfontein
Ramatlabama

Limpopo

Polokwane
Lephalale
Louis Trichardt
Musina
Beit Bridge

Eastern Cape

Port Elizabeth
East London



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Reviewing the current financial governance shortcomings –



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- “ Disciplinary action against six implicated staff of irregularities as identified by internal audit reports in respect of *irregular procurement practices relating to fibre optic installation contracts* presented to the company in November 2010.
- “ As a consequence of various audits; procurement systems, processes and document control have been substantially strengthened, new supply chain policies and procedures have been developed and a framework agreement for compliance to the Construction Industry Board (CIBD) has been implemented.
- “ Contract management processes have been strengthened and further improvements are underway to meet the capital project implementation recommendations made by the internal auditors.
- “ All contractor payments within finance are now based on the three-way matching principle which includes purchase orders, invoices and goods receipt notes together with documented proof of investment decisions based on improved delegations of authority. The issuance of purchase orders is now also effectively regulated.

Addressing the current financial governance shortcomings –

Slide 2

- “ The PASTAL ERP system has been improved to align to all new governance requirements, including reprogramming as well as manual sign-off control to ensure integrity. It is now also aligned to the requirements of delegated authority now in place across the company.
- “ An Intranet system has been set up with all existing and draft new policies so as to ensure that staff have full access to the procedural requirements of the company.
- “ All Declarations of Interest within the company including those of Board, Executive and managers have been updated.
- “ As a result of the qualification to the 2010/11 audit no bonuses have been paid to any staff member.
- “ A new Corporate Plan was developed and submitted at the end of June 2011. The shareholder has subsequently approved this new plan, which identifies a number of actions to turn the company around and ensure future sustainability. These include a new set of market related value propositions, a re-assessment of the future product portfolio and an re-aligned organisation structure.

Addressing the current financial governance shortcomings –



Slide 3

- “ HR PAYE payment procedures have been improved to avoid the previous payment of penalties to SARS.
- “ A proper payroll claims process has been set in motion. New leave from processes are now in place and there is proper access control to the building.
- “ Procurement tracking and reporting tools have been created.
- “ IT system review procedure has been developed, effective back-ups are now available and these are also now stored off-site. IT security has been substantially improved.
- “ Four new executive managers have been appointed. This includes a new Chief Financial Manager, a Chief Technical Officer, an executive responsible for Governance and a head of the Capital Investment Programme.



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