

## Southern Africa: Region looks towards Zimbabwe's power plants

In a move that could alleviate Southern Africa's struggle to cope with the growing demand for electricity, while helping Zimbabwe with its chronic shortage of foreign exchange, neighbouring countries have proposed recapitalising some power stations and coal mining.



Many southern African countries have been hit by power outages. (Image: Namibian government)

South Africa's power utility, Eskom, and Anglo Platinum, a South African mining company, as well as the Botswana Power Company have shown an interest in Zimbabwean thermal power stations located in the capital, Harare, in Bulawayo, the second largest city, and in Munyati, near the town of Kwekwe in Midlands Province.

Anglo Platinum, which has been negatively affected by power outages in its home country, has asked to be allowed to export electricity to South Africa as part of its proposal.

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