# South Africa's road freight decarbonisation experiences

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### Where in the world are we



- Key stats of South Africa:
  - GDP of \$295 billion (2016)
  - Population of 56 million
  - Tons of 1.8 billion
  - Tonne-kms of 445 billion
  - Cost of freight transport R268 billion (\$19.5 billion)
  - Cost of Logistics R470 billion (\$34.3 billion)
  - Cost of externalities R38.6 billion (\$2.8 billion)
    - Carbon cost R14.2 (\$1 billion) – ~\$17 per ton

### A spatially challenged country



### Relatively high maritime volumes



### High infrastructure requirement



Worldportsource.com. n.d [Online]. Available: http://www.worldportsource.com/countries.php [2018, June 20].

Logistics Barometer South Africa 2015

### With sustainability issues



RSA as a % of Sub-Saharan Africa

Source: In 2004 the world produced about 49 000 Mt CO2 - equivalent of which South Africa emitted 440 Mt CO2 – equivalent roughly 1% -Scenario Building Team (SBT) 2007, Jones, T.Rodrigue, J.P., Gielen, D. - low calculation based on 2002 data / Comparison of Datamonitor 2009 (2008 data) and world GDP (2008) - high calculation

### "Misbehaving" in the subcontinent



#### Source: GDP from world Bank, World Development Indicators - 2018/05/21

**CO2** from Olivier, J.G.J., Janssens-Maenhout, G., Muntean, M. and Peters, J.A.H.W. (2016) Trends in global CO2 emissions: 2016 Report. European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Directorate C - Energy, Transport and Climate; PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, The Hague. JRC103425, PBL2315, Internet: <u>http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/news\_docs/jrc-2016-trends-in-global-co2-emissions-2016-report-103425.pdf</u>, November 2016

### Freight movements in South Africa



- Tons
  - 0.9 million supply and demand
  - 1.8 billion shipped
    - Average double handling (2.1x)
- **Ton-kilometres** 
  - 445 billion
    - 164 billion on road ٠
    - 140 billion on rail
    - 8 billion in pipelines
    - 1 billion on conveyorbelts ٠

174

200

132 billion of last mile ٠

#### Total tonkm (billion) Road Rail 164 140

130

167

### Freight movements in India



- Tons
  - 4.6 billion supply and demand
- Ton-kilometres
  - 3 trillion
    - 2.49 trillion on road

Total tonkm (billion)

• 0.6 trillion on rail

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	Road	Rail
Current	2.5	0.6
Optimal split	1.8	1.3

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### Rail market share decline

- Transnet's transported tonnes to GDP have decreased as follows:
  - Mining: 40%
  - Agricultural & manufacturing: 80%



\*Indexed correlation of the relationship between rail transport and physical production in the economy

### Renaissance?

#### Rail market share growth since 2003



#### Transport cost over time



### Massive increase in truck fleet



Sources:

Sanral Vehicle data

Botha, D.P.J. 1970. Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost, 1911-1968. Report: Pretoria.

Historical GDP, www.resbank.co.za

Statistics South Africa. 2017. Gross Domestic Product (GDP), 2nd Quarter 2017: Statistical release P0441 [Online]. Available:

http://www.statssa.gov.za/publications/P0441/P04412ndQuarter2017.pdf [2017, September 1].

National Traffic Information System. 2017. Live vehicle population as per the National Traffic Information System – Enatis. [Online]. Available: <u>http://www.enatis.com/index.php/statistics/13-live-vehicle-population[2017, August 20].</u>

### New equipment contribution



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### Total CO<sub>2</sub> Kilotonnes for South Africa



\*Other contributors of CO2



https://unfccc.int/resource/docs/natc/zafnir1.pdf

### Efficiency gains - partly



Source: National Freight Flow Model - GAIN Group; StatsSA Annaul GDP figures; SA DEA - GHG Inventory for south Africa 2000-2010

### Attitudes towards decarbonisation



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Carbon emissions target

 Emissions reduction (million tons)  Kilometer reduction (millions)





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Total saving of 7.8 Million tons of CO2

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### The drivers of change



### Logistics competency

### Infrastructure and policy

### Policy

- User pay inducements
- Carbon tax
- Congestion management
- Negative inducements:
  - Hi Cube issue
- Infrastructure
  - Rail investment
  - Road quality
  - Productive neighbourhoods

### Carbon Tax

- White paper was produced 7 years ago
- The draft bill was produced in 2015
- Treasury stands firm on 2019 implementation
- Implementation January 2020 likely
- Rate will be R120 per ton, i.e. ~\$8-9 per ton
- Businesses will initially get a 60% "discount"
- Complex array of discounts might reduce effective rate to less than R48 per ton (~\$3)

### Maximum permissible combination axle loads



### Logistics efficiency

- Load factors
- Unnecessary trips
- Missed slot times

### Missed slot times - the critical "mistake"



### Unnecessary trips – extra kilometres



### Culture and behaviour

- Truck efficiency
- Driver efficiency
- Environment
  - Crime
  - Hi-jacking
  - Strikes

### The amount of truck hijacking incidents in South Africa



### Culture and behavior program - RTMS

- Deregulation quality promise (1989)
  - Unfulfilled
- Low quality
  - Distorts the market
  - Overcrops road equipment
  - Damages road infrastructure
  - Drive blue chip operators from certain market segments
- Most important behavioural intervention were RTMS
- It is voluntary
  - The underlying factors should be enforced
  - But the voluntary nature of the program is proving succesful

## Heavy Vehicle Fatal Crash Rates



Fatal truck crash per 100 million vehicle kilometres travelled

Source: OECD report, Moving Freight with Better Trucks, 2010



## Growth of the RTMS in SA



#### 24 abnormal load operators:

- 258 vehicles
- Plant hire, construction, engineering, mobile cranes
- 2 commercial A/L operators (108 vehicles)

Over 250 fleets representing over 15 000 trucks & buses (In 2007 their were 74 certified vehicles)

### Four bus operators:

- Buscor 420 buses
- Intercape 160 coaches
- GABS 1100
   buses
- Intestate 237 buses (Bloem)



### **RTMS: Overloading trend in forestry**



Road Transport Management System
RTMS
Driver Wellness + Safety + Loading + Productivity

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#### **Benefits: Efficiency Improvements**







Fuel Consumption Improved from 17l/100km to 13l/100km



Carbon footprint improved by 24%



Cost savings on fuel =R5.7 Million



Cost savings on repairs and maintenance =R4.2 Million (2016FY)

### ZZ2 (Tomato producers): Reduction in Insurance Claims

#### **Reduction in Insurance Claims**



### Vehicle Delivery Services: Reduction in Speed violations



# **POSITIVE RESULTS**



YEAR	FINES	CRASHES	DRIVER ERROR	BREAKDOWNS
2013	218	37	19	57
2014	232	26	11	46
2015	56	17	5	33
2016	48	26	4	20
2017	46	20	5	22







# RTMS benefits: Crash reductions



- Barloworld Logistics: 66% reduction in the number of crashes in 2012 (owner driver fleet);
- Vehicle Delivery Services: 42% reduction in serious crashes from 2011 to 2012;
- Timber Logistics Services: 50% reduction in crashes and incidents from 2009 to 2012;
- The City of Cape Town, Electricity Support Services: 44% reduction in the number of crashes;
- Unitrans Amatikulu: cost of crashes reduced from 5.0% of revenue to 1.3% of revenue (reduction in the frequency and severity of crashes)



### **Crash rate of RTMS-certified fleets**



2013/1: 24.1 million kms 2016/1: 94.2 million kms Estimated savings per annum: R 114.9 million

### SA Breweries E. Cape PBS combinations: Efficiency improvements

	Kms Travelled	Kms Saved	Hours on the road	Hours Saved	Fuel Used (ℓ)	Fuel Saved (ℓ)
Dec-16	33 250	13 253	621	248	23 940	3 962
Jan-17	74 642	29 720	1 477	588	55 059	7 558
Feb-17	63 854	25 519	1 245	497	46 564	7 060
Mar-17	82 108	32 349	1 614	636	60 497	8 117
Total	253 854	100 841	4 957	1 969	186 060	26 697
% Savings		28.4		28.4		12.5



### Smart Truck Pilot Project: Impact



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#### **Brian Keating paraphrased:**

My question is one of bringing data When people became philosophical or confused Feynman used to say:

#### "Shut up and calculate"

This meant that stories, dreams, philosophies doesn't matter What mattered were the answers at the end of a calculation

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https://www.edge.org/conversation/brian\_g\_keating-shut-upand-measure

