

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS**

The Department of Energy in partnership with the World Bank and African Development Bank have prepared an Investment Plan (IP) for the Scaling-up Renewable Energy in Low Income Countries Program (SREP). The SREP fund was developed with the specific purpose of empowering transformation in developing countries by demonstrating the economic, social and environmental viability of renewable energy. This IP aims to provide a holistic overview of the potential for renewable energy in Lesotho, the Government's goals and ambitions for increasing the penetration of these technologies, and the challenges we face in achieving these goals. The final sections of the IP presents our proposed program for how funds from SREP and our donor bank partners can be used to overcome such challenges to scale-up renewable energy in Lesotho. The IP will be submitted to the SREP sub-committee for approval in December 2017, if approved the Government of Lesotho will work with our donor bank cosponsors to begin preparing the proposed projects over the next one to two years.

We now seek your opinions and suggestions on the IP. Please send your comments to **seithekojerry@gmail.com** before the **22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017**.