



Africa's Energy Bridge Built on Trust & Flow

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EXECUTIVE COMPANY PROFILE

A CONSORTIUM OF COMPANIES UNDER OUR
LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE

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Fueling Growth Connecting Trade

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Executive Summary

Mlilo Petroleum (Pty) Ltd, Registration No. 2023/194142/07, is a dynamic consortium of companies operating under unified leadership and strategic guidance. Headquartered in Johannesburg, Gauteng, we serve as Africa's Energy Bridge Built on Trust & Flow, connecting global energy markets with Southern Africa's growing demand.

Our operational base is strategically located at Vopak Island View Terminal, 105 Taiwan Road, Island View, Durban, 4052, KZN – Authorized Vehicles Only – VOPAK certified facility. This prime location provides direct access to port infrastructure, bulk liquid storage, and integrated logistics corridors.

Head Office: Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa – centralizing executive management, finance, compliance, and client relations. Operational Base: Vopak 105 Taiwan Road – handling physical product flows, terminal operations, forwarding, and distribution.

We specialize in import, export, forwarding and clearing, and last-mile fuel distribution across South Africa and neighbouring states. Our consortium model allows us to leverage collective expertise, assets, and partnerships while maintaining agility and regulatory compliance.

Key Highlights

- B-BBEE Compliant: Affidavit Level – committed to inclusive growth
- Vopak Certified Operations at Island View – international standard terminal
- Consortium Leadership – guiding multiple entities under one governance framework
- End-to-end Fuel Value Chain – from vessel to pump

About Us

Mlilo Petroleum was established to bridge the gap between international petroleum supply and African energy demand with integrity, efficiency, and transparency. Fueling Growth, Connecting Trade is not just our tagline – it is our operating philosophy.

Under the leadership of our CEO Sylvester Phate (32 years experience) and Founder Michelle Poto, we have built a network of trusted suppliers, logistics partners, and clients ranging from mining houses to retail service stations and industrial consumers.

Our company operates as a consortium of companies under our leadership and guidance, providing centralized strategy, compliance, and quality assurance while empowering operational agility at each node of the value chain.

What Sets Us Apart

- Trust & Flow: Long-term relationships over transactional trade
- Port-side Advantage: Direct operations within Vopak Island View Terminal
- Compliance-First Culture: 12 active licenses, SARS registered clearing
- South African Roots, Global Reach

Vision, Mission & Values

Vision

To be Africa's most trusted energy bridge – delivering reliable, compliant, and competitive petroleum solutions that fuel sustainable growth across the continent.

Mission

To connect international petroleum markets with African demand through operational excellence, ethical trade, consortium strength, and world-class logistics anchored at Vopak Island View Terminal, 105 Taiwan Road.

Core Values

- Trust: We honour commitments, maintain transparency, and build long-term partnerships.
- Flow: We ensure seamless movement of product, information, and value.
- Safety: VOPAK certified protocols, authorized vehicles only, zero-compromise safety culture.
- Compliance: Full regulatory adherence – Reg No. 2023/194142/07 and 12 licenses.
- Growth: Fueling growth for clients, communities, and our consortium partners.

Core Services

Our integrated service portfolio covers the full petroleum downstream value chain, managed from Head Office in Johannesburg and executed from our Operational Base at Vopak Island View Terminal.

1. Import & Export Operations

We source refined petroleum products from vetted international refineries and trading houses, manage vessel chartering, Bills of Lading, and ensure quality testing at load and discharge. Our export desk facilitates supply into SADC markets including Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, and DRC.

2. Forwarding & Clearing

As SARS Registered Agent, our forwarding and clearing division handles customs declarations, port health, NRCS compliance, and bond management. With Taytum Goss leading operations (9 years trade, 2 years clearing), we ensure 24-48 hour clearance turnaround at Durban port.

3. Fuel Distribution

Last-mile distribution via contracted fleet from Vopak to mines, transport fleets, resellers, and retail sites. GPS-tracked, calibrated, and compliant with SANS standards. Authorized Vehicles Only protocol ensures chain-of-custody integrity within terminal precinct.

Vopak Island View Terminal

105 Taiwan Road - Authorized Vehicles Only - VOPAK Certified

Our operational footprint within Vopak Island View Terminal, 105 Taiwan Road, Island View, Durban 4052, KZN, provides us with direct access to 24/7 bulk liquid handling, bonded storage, and ship-to-shore infrastructure.

- Certification: VOPAK certified safety and operational protocols
- Access Control: Authorized Vehicles Only – strict ISPS and terminal compliance
- Capacity: Multi-product storage for diesel, petrol, jet fuel, and lubricants
- Connectivity: Direct road link to N2 corridor, rail siding for inland movement
- Compliance: Environmental, fire safety, and marine pollution prevention certified

This location serves as the heart of our physical operations, while Johannesburg Head Office remains the strategic and commercial hub. The synergy between Head Office Johannesburg and Operational Base Vopak ensures executive oversight with operational efficiency.

Operational Excellence

Operational excellence at Mlilo Petroleum is built on four pillars: Safety, Compliance, Flow, and Technology.

Safety & Quality

All personnel undergo Vopak safety induction. Daily toolbox talks, monthly emergency drills, and continuous product quality testing (density, flash point, sulfur) ensure zero incidents and on-spec product.

Compliance

We maintain 12 active licenses including Import/Export License, Wholesale License, Customs Clearing Agent, Port Access Permit, Environmental Authorization, and Municipal Trading License. Registration 2023/194142/07 is central to all statutory filings. B-BBEE Affidavit maintained annually.

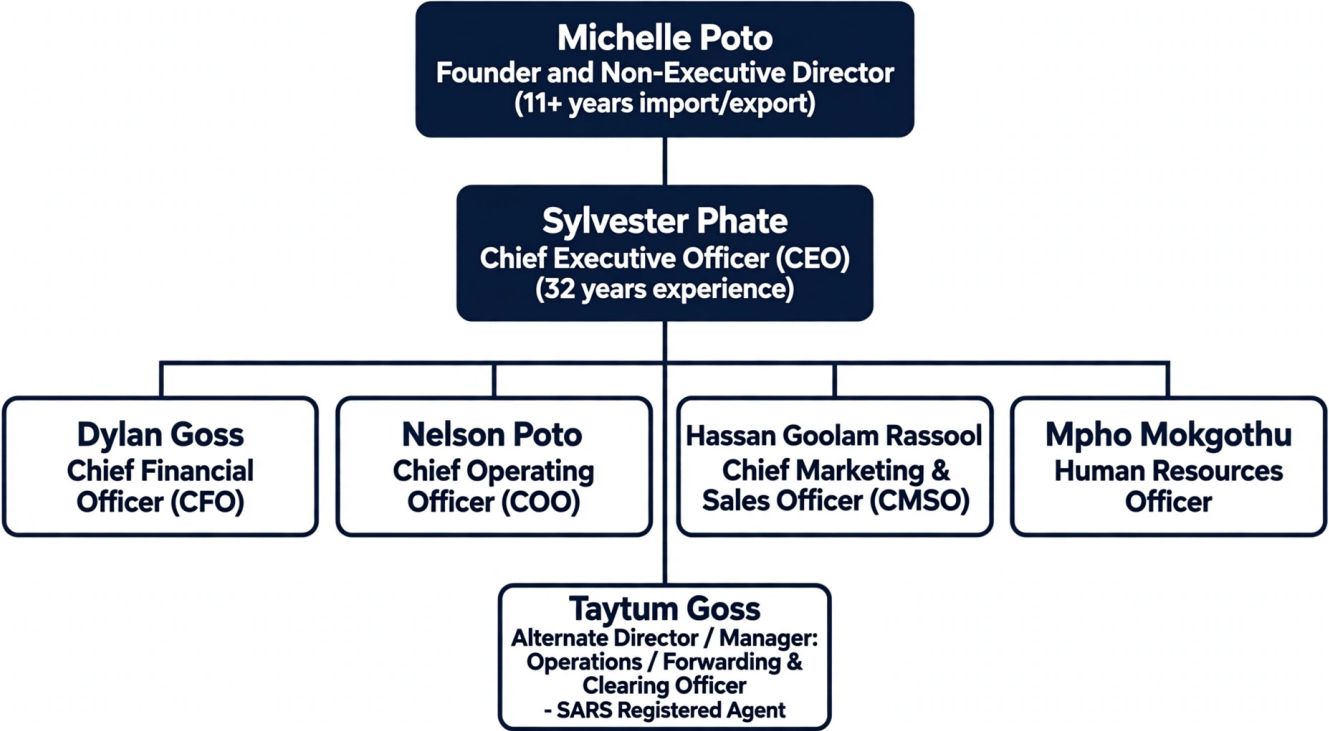
Flow & Efficiency

From vessel nomination to final delivery, we track every litre. Our consortium model allows pooling of trucks, storage, and clearing capacity, reducing demurrage and turnaround time by up to 30% compared to standalone operators.

Organisational Structure

Mlilo Petroleum operates under a clear, accountable structure designed for both governance and agility.

ORGANOGRAM Mlilo Petroleum (Pty) Ltd



Board of Directors

Our Board comprises 7 experienced professionals, each bringing deep domain expertise. Profiles are presented with circular placeholders for professional headshots.



Sylvester Phate - Chief Executive Officer

32 years fuel trade, commerce, strategic leadership & international oil trading



Dylan Goss - Chief Financial Officer

8 years banking, financial modelling, treasury & risk management



Hassan Goolam Rassool - Chief Marketing & Sales Officer

20 years retail, marketing, sales strategy & brand development



Nelson Poto - Chief Operating Officer

9 years NKP Ports, refinery operations, terminal management & logistics



Mpho Mokgothu - Human Resources Officer

8 years business model development, talent management & organisational design



Taytum Goss - Alternate Director / Manager: Operations / Forwarding & Clearing Officer

Marketing & Sales Diploma, 9 years trade, 2 years clearing, SARS Registered Agent - Alternate Director



Michelle Poto - Founder and Non-Executive Director

11+ years import/export, Business Management Diploma, advisory & governance

Compliance & Accreditation

Registration No. 2023/194142/07 – Mlilo Petroleum (Pty) Ltd is fully registered and compliant with South African Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC), South African Revenue Service (SARS), and Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE).

12 Active Licenses & Permits

- 1. CIPC Company Registration – 2023/194142/07
- 2. SARS Tax Compliance & Customs Code
- 3. DMRE Wholesale License for Petroleum Products
- 4. Import & Export License – ITAC Registered
- 5. Port Access Permit – Transnet National Ports Authority
- 6. Vopak Island View Terminal Access – Authorized Vehicles Only – VOPAK Certified
- 7. Environmental Authorization – Durban Metro
- 8. Fire Safety & Flammable Liquid Permit
- 9. NRCS Letter of Authority for Fuel Quality
- 10. Municipal Trading License – eThekweni Municipality
- 11. SARS Registered Clearing Agent License - Taytum Goss
- 12. B-BBEE Affidavit – Level Compliant (Affidavit only, no women-owned claim)

B-BBEE Status: Affidavit only – committed to transformation, currently not claiming women-owned status, focusing on genuine inclusive procurement and enterprise development.

Client Reviews & Partnerships

Client Testimonials

"Mlilo Petroleum delivered 2.2 million litres on time for our mining shutdown – seamless coordination between Johannesburg head office and Vopak operations." – Wilred Holding SA (Pty) Ltd

"Reliable cross-border supply into Gaborone – customs cleared within 24 hours, SADC documentation flawless." – Umhlaba Fuels Botswana

"Professionalism at Vopak terminal is exceptional. Authorized vehicles only protocol gives us confidence in chain-of-custody." – Botswana Oil Procurement Division

Why Partner With Us

- Consortium Strength: A consortium of companies under our leadership and guidance – collective balance sheet, shared risk, pooled expertise
- Dual Hub Model: Head Office Johannesburg for strategy and finance, Operational Base Vopak 105 Taiwan Road for execution
- Vopak Certified: International standard terminal operations
- Regulatory Certainty: Reg 2023/194142/07, 12 licenses, SARS Registered Agent
- Trust & Flow: Africa's Energy Bridge Built on Trust & Flow – proven philosophy

Contact Information

Head Office in Johannesburg - Highlighted - Executive & Commercial Hub

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Operational Base

Vopak Island View Terminal, 105 Taiwan Road, Island View, Durban 4052, KZN

Authorized Vehicles Only – VOPAK certified facility – 24/7 Operations – Port Access Controlled

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Message From The CEO's Desk

From Sylvester Phate – Chief Executive Officer

Dear Valued Partners,

When we founded Mlilo Petroleum, we envisioned more than a fuel trading company. We envisioned Africa's Energy Bridge Built on Trust & Flow – a consortium that connects global energy supply with African demand through integrity, operational excellence, and shared growth.

Head Office in Johannesburg remains our strategic compass, while our Operational Base at Vopak Island View Terminal, 105 Taiwan Road, Island View, Durban – Authorized Vehicles Only, VOPAK certified – is where our promise becomes physical reality. Every litre that leaves our terminal carries our reputation.

I am privileged to lead alongside our Founder and Non-Executive Director, Michelle Poto, whose 11+ years in import/export and business management continues to guide our consortium governance. Together with our C-suite – Dylan Goss (CFO, 8 years banking), Nelson Poto (COO, 9 years NKP Ports refinery), Hassan Goolam Rassool (CMSO, 20 years retail marketing sales), Mpho Mokgothu (HR Officer, 8 years), and Taytum Goss (Alternate Director, Manager Operations, SARS Registered Agent) – we are committed to a vision that values flow over friction and trust over short-term gain.

Our registration 2023/194142/07 and 12 active licenses, including B-BBEE Affidavit compliance, are not just certificates – they are our commitment to operate within the highest regulatory standards. The testimonials from Wilred Holding SA, Umhlaba Fuels, and Botswana Oil reflect what we strive for daily: reliability, compliance, and partnership.

To our clients, suppliers, and consortium partners – thank you for trusting us to fuel your growth. We remain committed to connecting trade, ensuring safety at Vopak 105 Taiwan Road, and delivering energy solutions that power Africa's future.

Yours in Trust & Flow,

Sylvester Phate

Chief Executive Officer | 32 Years Experience | Mlilo Petroleum (Pty) Ltd | Reg: 2023/194142/07

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