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Dear Executive Mayor Cllr Ntshalintshali

**NOTICE OF INTERRUPTION OF BULK ELECTRICITY SUPPLY TO EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY**

1. Emalahleni Local Municipality is currently indebted to Eskom in the amount of R 1 122 056 234(One billion one hundred and twenty two million and fifty six thousand and two hundred and thirty four rand) for the bulk supply of electricity, part of which has been outstanding and in escalation since November 2002 ("the electricity debt").

2. Eskom is under a statutory obligation to generate and supply electricity to the municipalities nationally on a financial sustainable basis.

3. Emalahleni Local Municipality's breach of its payment obligation to Eskom undermines and places in jeopardy Eskom's ability to continue the national supply of electricity on a financially sustainable basis.

4. In terms of both the provisions of the Electricity Regulation Act 4 of 2006 and supply agreement with Emalahleni Local Municipality, Eskom is entitled to disconnect the supply of electricity to Emalahleni Local Municipality on account of non-payment of electricity debt.

5. In order to protect the national interest in the sustainability of electricity supply, it has become necessary for Eskom to exercise its right to disconnect the supply of electricity to Emalahleni Local Municipality.

6. Eskom recognizes that the indefinite disconnection of electricity supply may cause undue hardship to consumers and members of the community, and may adversely affect the delivery of other services.

7. In this circumstance, Eskom is contemplating a regulated interruption of electricity supply as opposed to an outright disconnection. The contemplated regulated interruption will allow members of the community and consumers the opportunity to make alternative arrangements for the scheduled periods of interruption.

8. As required by the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), 2000, (Act 3 of 2000), Eskom will through adverts in the local newspapers notify all parties who are likely to be materially and adversely affected by the electricity supply interruption to

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submit written representations, comments and/or submissions indicating why Eskom should or should not proceed with the with the contemplated interruption and/or disconnection, as the case may be.

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Yours sincerely

**Phil Khumalo**
**GENERAL MANAGER**
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