## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT**

NO. R. 1273 14 OCTOBER 2016

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 39 (1)(b) OF THE NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT ACT NO. 5 OF 2009: MORATORIUM REGARDING THE GRANTING OF NEW OPERATING LICENCES BY THE NORTH WEST PROVINCIAL REGULATORY ENTITY (PRE).

- I **Dr MOKGANTSHANG NICHOLAS MOTLHABANE, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL** responsible for transport matters in the Province, by virtue of the powers vested in me in terms of **Section 39(1)(b)** of the abovementioned Act, hereby **declare a moratorium** as follows:-
- The Provincial Regulatory Entity ( PRE ) shall not receive any applications for new Operating Licenses in the Province with effect from 31/10/2016 and this moratorium shall remain in force until the date to be determined by the MEC and published in the Provincial notice.
- 2. The operation of the moratorium on the granting of the new operating licenses shall not exceed a period of (1) one year calculated from the date determined in the above mentioned provision. Other transactions like Additional Authority, Transfers, Increase of Passengers, Replacements, Renewal of Operating Licenses and Temporary Operating Licenses shall not be affected by the moratorium.
- 3. The operation of the moratorium shall also not affect the following applications;
  - (a) Staff Services
  - (b). Scholar transport services (both contracted and non- contracted)
  - (c). Contracted Services
  - (d). Shuttle Services
  - (e). Tourist Operations



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All applications lodged before the coming into effect of the moratorium shall not be affected and shall therefore be processed accordingly.

4. In cases where there are new settlements and a need for transport is identified, the affected Municipality should seek the necessary approval from the MEC to allow PRE to consider applications for those settlements.

The rational for the moratorium is as follows;

- (a). To allow the Department to conduct an audit process of all operating licenses issued;
- (b). To conduct physical verification of all operating licenses issued in the North West Province with a view to stem out illegal operations;
- (c). To allow the Department an opportunity to align all routes and put new operating conditions on all operating licenses;
- (d). To allow for the finalization of the development of the Integrated Provincial Transport Network Plans as well as the Integrated Transport Plans.

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