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Province of KwaZulu-Natal

## **MEDIA LIAISON AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

TO: All Media  
DATE: 27 OCTOBER 2014  
ATTENTION: NEWS EDITORS, EDITORS AND PR WIRES

### **MEC MCHUNU TO OFFICIATE THE OPENING OF REGIONAL OFFICES TO FAST TRACK ISSUING OF OPERATING LICENCES**

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu, will tomorrow (28 October 2015) officiate the opening of new regional offices of Public Regulatory Entity to fast track the issuing of operating licenses as part of ensuring stability and growth of the taxi industry.

The Ladysmith and eMpangeni offices will see the reduction of the backlog of issuing operating licenses – which at times contribute to instability and conflict in the taxi industry.

As part of decentralizing its functions to lodge applications for operating licenses and permits for public transport operators in KwaZulu-Natal, at least three other new offices will be opened in other parts of the province.

The opening of these new offices is part of the implementation of the Provincial Taxi Indaba resolutions, which was held in 2011.

The details for the event are as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, 28 October 2014  
VENUE: Part A: Department of Transport Regional Offices (13 Bronze Street, eMpangeni) at 9H00  
Part B: Official Main Event (Empangeni Imbizo Hall) at 11H00  
TIME: From 09:00 to 13:00

All media houses are invited to attend.

Ends.

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