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Department: Transport **Province of KwaZulu-Natal**

MEDIA STATEMENT

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UMBILO MOTOR LICENCING OFFICE PARTIALLY CLOSED TODAY DUE TO SUSPECTED CASE OF COVID-19

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport regrets to inform members of the public that the Umbilo Motor Licencing Office will remain partially closed today, 17 June 2020, following a suspected Covid-19 case of a staff member.

As a precautionary measure, all services have been suspended with only car dealerships being serviced today. The staff member has since gone into self-isolation and will follow all the necessary Covid-19 protocols.

Health workers have been alerted and necessary precautionary measures have been put in place for the rest of the staff members for assessment and screening to ensure a safe environment for all. All services will resume tomorrow.

Meanwhile, the Globe Road Registering Authority remains closed as from 10 June 2020, after a staff member tested positive for Covid-19.

All Driving Licence Testing Centres and Motor Licencing Offices had re-opened on Monday, 08 June 2020, to start processing the backlog after they were closed during levels 5 and 4 of the national lockdown.

Once again, the Department wishes to place it on record that the safety of our staff members and community remains of paramount importance and will therefore continue adhering to Covid-19 safety protocols.

Members of the public and car dealerships are urged to use other Registering Authorities, including the Pinetown Offices and Rossburgh Centre in eThekwini. This is in addition to more than 39 post offices and municipalities operating as registering authorities.

Members of the public are further advised not to panic as there is the 90-days grace window period approved by the Minister of Transport for the renewal of licences that have expired.

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