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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DEPARTEMENT VAN GESONDHEID

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#### CHOICE ON TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 92 OF 1996)

#### DESIGNATION OF A FACILITY FOR THE SURGICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCIES

I, Mantombazana Edmie Tshabalala-Msimang, Minister of Health, hereby designate, in terms of section 3 of the Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1996 (Act No. 92 of 1996), the institution listed in the Schedule as a facility where the surgical termination of pregnancies may take place in accordance with the said Act.

#### SCHEDULE

##### Definitions

1. In this schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

**"access"** means access to resources without these necessarily having to be on site at a facility;

**"operating theatre"** means an operating unit which is fully equipped to administer a local or general anaesthetic and to deal with any complication that may arise as a result of such an anaesthetic;

**"the Act"** means the Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1996 (Act No. 92 of 1996).

##### **Requirements to be met by public health facilities and private health facilities in order to be designated as facilities contemplated in section 3 of the Act**

2. Any public or private health facility must meet the following requirements in order to be designated in terms of section 3 of the Act as a facility where the surgical termination of pregnancies may take place:

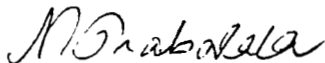
- (a) access to medical and nursing staff;
- (b) access to an operating theatre;
- (c) appropriate surgical equipment;
- (d) drugs for intravenous and intramuscular injection;
- (e) emergency resuscitation equipment and access to emergency referral center or facility;
- (f) access to appropriate transport should the need arise for emergency transfer;
- (g) facilities and equipment for clinical observation and access to in-patient facilities;
- (h) appropriate infection control measures;
- (i) access to safe waste disposal infrastructure; and
- (j) telephonic means of communication.

**Facility**

3. (1) The following public health facility meets the requirements stated in paragraph 2 and is hereby designated as a facility contemplated in section 3 of the Act:

**Public health facility**

Eerste River Hospital (Eerste River)



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MINISTER OF HEALTH