

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

NO. R. 1235

16 NOVEMBER 2018

**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:-

1. The **Provincial Regularity Entity (PRE)** shall not receive any applications for new Operating Licences in the Province with effect from **1/9/2018** 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 **(2) two years** 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

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

4. In case 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 rationale 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 **Intergrated Provincial Transport Network Plans** as well as the **Intergrated Transport Plans**.



**DR M.N.MOTLHABANE**

**MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

**FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY AND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT**

DATE 11/09/18