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Response: Eskom Bulk Electricity supply interruption

11 April 2018

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It is noted that Eskom in terms of their notice as advertised in the Daily Despatch and The Herald on 20 March 2019 has reinstated the bulk electricity supply interruptions to Dr Beyers Naudé Local Municipality. According to this notice the action is as a result of the persistent breach of the payment agreement as per the suspension notice issued on the 29 October 2018.

Although Eskom has prepared an agreement, signed by the municipality, Eskom did not sign. Technically, there is thus no agreement in place.

The municipality has been in continuous negotiations with Eskom. However, these negotiations have now been taken over by the MEC's for Finance and Co-operative Governance and Traditional affairs Province of the Eastern Cape, on behalf of the municipality. The MEC's are meeting today, 11 April 2019 where after they will inform the municipality as to the way forward. The municipality does owe Eskom but it's worth mentioning that Eskom also owes the municipality money transpiring from the wheeling agreement between Eskom and the municipality. The municipality has proposed to Eskom that the outstanding amounts be set off against each other which Eskom is refusing to agree to. The municipality together with the Depart of Co-operative Governance and Traditional affairs are considering legal options.

Regards

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