

**External Communications Unit
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To : All media
Attention : News Editors & Journalists
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For the attention of all media houses

Burial details of the victims of the bus accident

Some of the nineteen (19) victims who passed on during the bus accident which happened on the morning of Monday, 25th June 2012 will be buried over the coming weekend. **The details with regard to the times and venues of the various funerals are attached hereunder.**

We would like to once again reiterate that the bus in question with the registration number: PVM 843GP was taken to the Meyerton Testing Centre by a Traffic Law Enforcement Officer during a special Public Transport Operation on the 12th June 2012.

The bus went through the roadworthy test at the said testing centre and it FAILED the test due to issues related to the 'Service Brakes'.

The eNATIS system reflect that the vehicle was tested on 14 June 2012 at a testing station listed as 'PUTCO LTD' where it was afforded the 'ROADWORTHY' status. The roadworthiness test of this bus was NOT conducted at any of our testing centres nor by the officials of the Sedibeng District Municipality nor the Midvaal Local Municipality.

Neither the Sedibeng District Municipality, nor the Midvaal Local Municipality, are able to provide any information on the test done on the bus in question on the 14th June 2012 at the 'PUTCO LTD' testing station as this testing station is not operated by either Sedibeng District or Midvaal Local Municipalities.

Any queries related to the test of 14th June 2012 should be directed to the 'PUTCO LTD' testing station. We provide herewith attached, copies of the test of the 12th June 2012, the eNATIS record of the test of the 14 June 2012 and letters of clarity from the Midvaal Local Municipality.

"On behalf of the people of Sedibeng, I would like to convey and express my deepest condolences and sympathy to the bereaved families and friends of the passengers who passed on during this accident. I would also like to wish the injured passengers speedy recovery", said the Executive Mayor of the Sedibeng District Municipality, Councillor Mahole Simon Mofokeng.

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