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FOR PSA MEMBERS: **NORTH-WEST DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

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Update: Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) matter - Matlosana Service Point

The Department of Social Development in the North-West Province received a contravention notice after an inspection by the Department of Employment and Labour (DEL) in February 2022.

The Department was requested to in terms of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act, 85 of 1993* ensure that a baseline risk assessment is conducted in the workplace, provide a first-aid box at the workplace, keep the roof and walls sound and leak free, ensure that any emergency escape door can open from outside, and ensure that there is a valid electrical certificate of compliance for the installation at the workplace.

The Department was given 60 days to comply with the above regulations. To date, the Department has not been compliant and the PSA has written a letter to remind the Department of the notice received. The PSA was informed that a Confirmatory Notice has now been issued by the DEL and will subsequently be referred for prosecution.

Members will be informed of developments. For any further enquiries, members are requested to contact zhulfa.graaff@psa.co.za or the shop steward, Blessing Ralutemba at Bralutemba@nwpg.gov.za.

GENERAL MANAGER