



## EASTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

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*The MEC for DEDEAT-Eastern Cape*

Hon O. Mabuyane  
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Dear MEC Mabuyane

**RE: MAKANA LANDFILL SITE**

For the past few years the Makana Landfill Site has presented a significant health risk to the residents of the Makana Municipality.

The landfill site frequently catches fire presenting a fire hazard to an area vulnerable to veld fires. The fires also pollute the atmosphere which is harmful to the health of the residents. The harmful smoke is also detrimental to businesses in the municipality, the tourism sector in particular.

A local residents association obtained an order of the court to compel the Mayor of Makana to take steps to rectify the situation at the land fill site. It does not appear that sufficient appropriate steps have been taken to date. In fact just last week the land fill site was burning once again.

I would like to know what steps the MEC is taking to ensure that the Makana Landfill Site complies with all applicable environmental legislation.

The situation is urgent and affects the lives and livelihoods of the people of Makana.

I look forward to your urgent and positive response.

Thank you.

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