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Mr. S. Toni Chairperson of the Transport Portfolio Committee Eastern Cape Provincial Government

Dear Mr. S Toni.

RE: URGENT INTERVENTION REQUIRED FOR FUEL SITUATION IN NELSON MANDELA BAY

I am writing to request an urgent meeting of the Transport Portfolio Committee to address the recent reclassification of Nelson Mandela Bay as an inland destination for fuel pricing purposes.

Due to damage at the Port Elizabeth harbour, fuel is temporarily being offloaded in East London. As a result, the Liquid Fuels Wholesalers Association has requested that Nelson Mandela Bay be classified as an inland region to cover the increased transportation costs. This reclassification has led to higher fuel prices for local consumers, while the rest of the country benefits from a price decrease.

This decision is placing an unfair financial burden on the residents of Nelson Mandela Bay, who are already facing severe economic challenges. I believe it is crucial for the committee to discuss the potential impacts on the local economy and explore possible solutions.

I look forward to your prompt response and to convening a meeting as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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