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To: The Office of the City Manager  
Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality  
Subject: Municipal fleet without petrol/diesel, no contract in place  
Date: 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Good afternoon Office of the City Manager

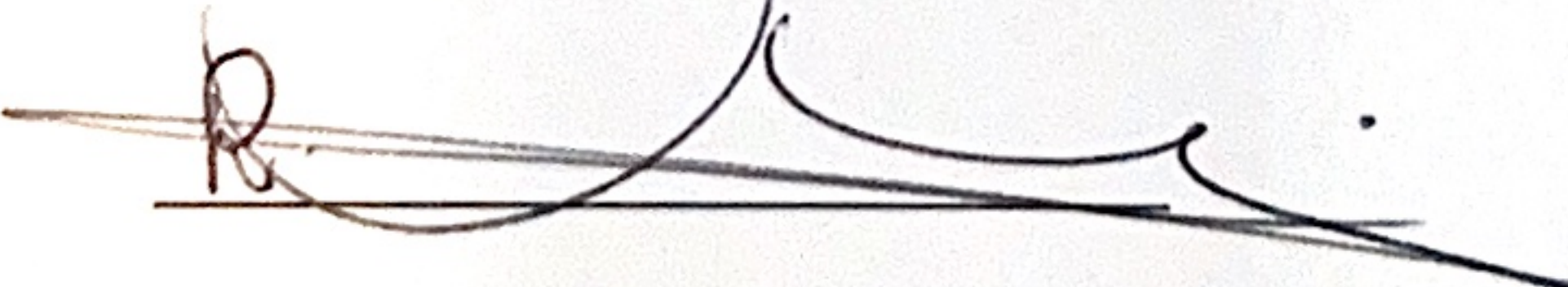
The Democratic Alliance has become aware that the contract for the supply of petrol and diesel to municipal vehicles has expired, with no new contract currently in place. This is a matter of serious concern, as it will significantly hamper service delivery.

In light of the Level 6 inclement weather warning issued for Nelson Mandela Bay, which states that as of May 4, 2026, NMB might experience cold temperatures, strong interior winds, and severe storms bringing disruptive rainfall, hail, and damaging winds. This situation is even more alarming. The lack of fuel and diesel supply means that emergency personnel and disaster management teams may be unable to respond effectively to emergencies.

In the event of power outages or flooding of streets, no emergency vehicles will be able to respond. The Democratic Alliance is deeply concerned that the most vulnerable residents, particularly those living in flood-prone areas, will be the hardest hit and may not receive the assistance they need during this critical time.

It is totally unacceptable that this contract was not renewed before its expiry date. This municipality is failing our residents. The Democratic Alliance is calling your office's urgent intervention to ensure municipal vehicles receive the necessary fuel or diesel needed to carry out their duties.

Regards

  
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