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ELECTORAL COMMISSION

2011 ELECTION TIMETABLE

In terms of section 11 of the Local Government: Municipal Electoral Act, 2000 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), the Electoral Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") hereby compile this election timetable to apply to the elections of all municipal councils that will be held on 18 May 2011. (A reference to "section" in this election timetable is a reference to that section of the Act and a reference to "regulation" is a reference to that regulation in the Municipal Electoral Regulations, 2000.)

Cut-off time for act to be performed

1. An act required in terms of the Act and the Municipal Electoral Regulations, 2000, to be performed by no later than a date stated in the election timetable must be performed before 17:00 on that date.

Notice that list of addresses of voting stations is available for inspection

 The Commission must give notice by 21 April 2011 that from the date of the notice until the voting day copies of a list of all voting stations and their addresses will be available for inspection at the office of the Commission's local representative.

Notice of route of mobile voting station

The Commission must give notice by 21 April 2011 of the route, including the locations and estimated times of stopping of each mobile voting station.

Cut-off date for publication of voters' roll

4. By 18 March 2011 the Chief Electoral Officer must certify the voters' roll or the municipality's segments of the voters' roll to be used in this election in terms of section 6(2), and make those segments available for inspection.

Cut-off date for submission of notice to contest, list of candidates and nomination of ward candidate

5. (1) Registered parties that intend to contest this election in terms of section 14 must nominate and submit a notice of intention to contest, a party list of their candidates and the prescribed deposit with the supporting documents for the election to the office of the Commission's local representative in the prescribed form and manner by 25 March 2011.

- (2) Registered parties and nominators of independent candidates that intend to contest a ward in this election in terms of section 17 must submit their nominations and the prescribed deposits with the supporting documentation for the said ward election to the office of the Commission's local representative in the prescribed form and manner by 25 March 2011.
- (3) Payment of the prescribed deposits in terms of section 14A must be made by 25 March 2011.

Notice of non-compliance

- (1)(a) The Commission must notify a registered party that has submitted a
 party list of candidates in terms of section 14 but has not fully
 complied with section 14(3), of that non-compliance by 4 April 2011.
 - (b) If the notified party takes the opportunity to comply with section 14(3), that party must do so by 8 April 2011.
 - (2)(a) The Commission must notify the nominating party or person of a candidate who has not fully complied with section 17(2)(b) and (c), of that non-compliance by 4 April 2011.
 - (b) If the nominating party or person takes the opportunity to comply with section 17(2)(b) or (c), that party or person must do so by 8 April 2011.

List of parties entitled to contest election and list of candidates

- 7. By 12 April 2011 the Commission-
 - (a) must compile the list of the registered parties entitled to contest this election;
 - (b) must certify the party lists for this election; and
 - (c) keep those lists available at the office of the Commission's local representative.

List of ward candidates to contest ward election

- 8. By 12 April 2011 the Commission must-
 - (a) compile and certify for each ward contested in this election, a list of candidates contesting that ward; and
 - (b) keep copies of those lists available at the office of the Commission's local representative.

Issue of certificate to candidate

- 9. By 29 April 2011 the Commission must issue-
 - (a) the prescribed candidate certificate to each candidate on the certified party lists in this election; and
 - (b) the prescribed candidate certificate to each candidate on the certified list of ward candidates in this election.

Application for special vote

- 10.(1) By not later than 3 May 2011 a voter may apply in terms of Regulation 28B(1) to cast a special vote within the voting district where she or he is registered. [Applications for special votes will only be received from 15 April 2011].
 - (2) On 16 May 2011 voters who had successfully applied to cast their special votes at the voting station, may visit the voting station between 08h00 and 17h00 to cast their special votes.
 - (3) On 16 and 17 May 2011 voting officers must visit voters who had successfully applied to cast their special votes at their places of residence, to afford them the opportunity to cast their votes there.