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GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE 70 OF 2009

ELECTORAL COMMISSION

ELECTION TIMETABLE

The Electoral Commission hereby gives notice that it has in terms of section 11 of the Local Government: Municipal Electoral Act, 2000, compiled the election timetable set out below to apply to the municipal by-elections to be held on 25 March 2009 in respect of Ward 1, 5, 6, 7, 13, 16, 17 and 20 of the Amahlathi [EC124] Municipality and Ward 4, & 14 of the Ngqushwa [EC126] Municipality and Ward 4, 19 & 21 of the Nkonkobe [EC127] Municipality and Ward 52 of the Nelson Mandela Bay [NMA] Municipality as proclaimed by Provincial Notice number 9, 10, 11 & 12 of 2009 as published in the Provincial Gazette No. 2068 of the Eastern Cape Province, dated 13 February 2009. A reference to "section" in this election timetable is a reference to that section in the Local Government: Municipal Electoral Act, 2000 (Act No. 27 of 2000).

Cut-off time for act to be performed

- 1 An act required in terms of this Act to be performed by not later than a date in the election timetable must be performed before 17:00 on that date, unless otherwise specified.

Certification of the voters' roll

- 2 By 20 February 2009 the chief electoral officer must certify the segments of the voters' roll for the voting districts to be used in the by-elections in terms of section 6(2)(a).

Notice that lists of addresses of voting stations are available for inspection

- 3 By 20 February 2009 the chief electoral officer must give notice that copies of a list of voting stations and their addresses will be available for inspection at the office of the Commission's local representative in terms of section 19(5).

Notice of route of mobile voting stations

- 4 If the Commission decides to use mobile voting stations in the by-elections, the Commission must by 20 February 2009 give notice of the route, including the locations and estimated times of stopping of each mobile voting station in terms of section 22(1).

Cut-off date for nomination of ward candidates to contest an election

- 5 By not later than 8 March 2009 at 17h00, the nomination of a person to contest the by-election in a municipality as a ward candidate must be submitted to the Commission's local representative on a prescribed form and in the prescribed manner in terms of section 17(1).

Cut-off date for compilation and certification of ward candidate lists

- 6 By 13 March 2009 the Commission must compile for each ward a list of ward candidates, certify those lists for that by-election, and keep copies of the lists available at the office of the Commission's local representative in terms of section 18 (1).

Cut-off date for issuing certificates

- 7 By 13 March 2009 the Commission must issue to each ward candidate contesting the by-election, a prescribed certificate in terms of section 18(1)(d).
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