



Statement on suspension of Waste Management Licence

The Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) has this week issued the Shongweni Landfill site with a notice of suspension of its Waste Management Licence.

Our legal experts are currently considering this notice and will act in due course. The provisional advice is that an appeal will be filed against this directive as we believe that not all relevant information has been properly considered.

Last week, we shared information with the DEA relating to fresh data obtained from three real-time air quality monitors recently installed in communities surrounding the Shongweni Landfill. These monitors revealed the presence of high levels of sulfur dioxide (a harmful gas with a pungent odour), a gas typically produced by combustion processes, and which does not emanate from landfill sites. This, to our knowledge, has yet to be followed up by the authorities.

We will continue engaging and sharing information with the Upper Highway NPC and their appointed experts WSP. Our remediation plans as agreed-upon with the DEA remain on track to mitigate our diminishing contribution to the existing odour problem in the coming months.

Updates will continue to be posted on www.shongwenilandfill.co.za

