



FW: Concerns about working Conditions within Horseracing Industry

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Good morning Mr Barends..

I hope this E-mail finds you well. I am following up on below E-mail seeing that the time frame suggested below on the matters that were put in your attention has passed. I request that you take this as a matter of urgency and importance and respond within 7 days as time frame given was enough for you to give feedback / present the way forward.

I hope to hear from from you the soonest.

Kindest Regards

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Subject: RE: Concerns about working Conditions within Horseracing Industry

Good morning Mr Barends ..

This is Fundiswa From the Department of Labour. Please see E-mail below, which was meant for your attention as well. Firstly I would like to apologise as it seems I got your E-mail address wrong and the communication might never reached your attention.. To give you a brief, there is a concern that was received by the Department of Labour (DoL) from South African Grooms Association concerning the transportation of grooms in the same transport from different points, the transporting company in question being New Turf Carries CC. First visit was done on the 31st of January 2017, which was so not fruitful as only the driver from the company was available and the member form SAGA. Decision was taken to arrange the meeting where Mr Matthew Sham was going to grace the following meeting from New Turf after agreeing telephonically. It was then scheduled for 07th of February 2018. Few of the invited managed to come and the meeting convened.

The issue was discussed in relation to the concerns, a look was taken to the trucks in which some recommendations were made in terms of how they were designed and some improvements to be made. The recommendation that came with SAGA was that of a complete separate transportation (separate transport) of grooms from one point to another which is fully supported as we understand that this is not only the issue for DoL, other Departments are to play a role as well in terms of their requirements on the matter. I would recommend/suggest that you consider the recommendation made as mentioned and in consideration of what other Departments require.

The other issue that came on the table was the non-registration of some Training Institutions (Trainers) in horseracing industry with Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA) , which needs your/the industry's urgent attention in making sure that all Trainers are registered with the Compensation.

Above being mentioned, your soonest response on the way forward will be much appreciated in the recommendation made by SAGA which is supported as mentioned above concerning the transportation of grooms separately from horses from one point to another. Furthermore I would request that you respond by not later than 30th March 2018, on the issue of Trainers that are not registered with COIDA. The timeframe given is assumed to be enough from this day of this communication to end of March 2018, to ensure that those Trainers that are not registered follow the process and register with COIDA as soon as possible.

Kindly consider and treat these issues as matters of urgency that they are.

I hope to hear from you the soonest.

Kindest Regards

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Good morning..

This is Fundiswa from Department of Labour. I send this E-mail to cordially invite you to attend the meeting which is anticipated to be held on Monday the 05th of February 2018 at 10h00 am. This follows the concern that has been received by the Department in connection with the working conditions in your field of horseracing. I would request that the meeting be held in the venue which will be in the vicinity of Bellville (preferably Durbanville Race Course) as the concern was lodged in Bellville Office and we work per jurisdiction. Mr Matthew Sham (Apologies if I spelt your last name incorrectly), kindly confirm the venue of this meeting by not later than end of business day today.

Kindest Regards