###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 1276

**1276. Mr M S F de Freitas (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) When was the Mpumalanga inspector of test stations appointed, (b) who was appointed, (c) what criteria were used in the appointment, (d) what reports have been submitted since the appointment, (e) what main issues have been identified, (f) what is being done to fix problem issues, (g) what solutions for problem issues have been identified and (h) what are the deadlines respectively? NW1418E

**REPLY**

1. In terms of the National Road Traffic Act (Act 93 of 1996), there is no provincial inspectorate of testing stations.
2. No one has been appointed, however the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC is in the process of appointing a service provider /s to conduct assessment and inspections of driver licensing testing centres and vehicle testing stations.
3. An open tender, Reference No RTMC BID 05/2007/18 was issued on Friday 19 May 2017 and the closing date is 12 June 2017 at 11:00.

(d), and (e), for reasons stated in (a),(b) and (c) above, the Department only receives copies of the reports on inspections done by the SABS and is not privy to any provincial reports, findings and actions taken by the MEC of the province.

(f), (g), and (h) The Department has started with the process of developing the Anti-fraud and Corruption Strategy that is intended to root out fraud and corruption at the vehicle and driving testing stations; and in terms of the current Departmental Strategic Plan, it is anticipated that the strategy will be approved in March 2019.