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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mrs M R Shinn (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

(a) Which companies have been providing the antennae for the set-top box roll-out in the (i) Northern Cape and (ii) Free State up until 29 February 2016 (b) how many antennae has each specified company provided to date? and (c) what amount has each specified company been paid to date? NW799E

**REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

1. The Universal Service and Access Agency of South Africa (USAASA), which is the entity charged with the responsibility of managing the procurement of set-top boxes, informed me that Ellies Industries, Temic Manufacturing and QEC Pty Ltd are the three companies appointed to provide DTT antennas in the Northern Cape and Free State as at 29 February 2016.
2. The entity has informed me that Ellies Industries provided 15,680 DTH Antennas, Temic Manufacturing provided 9,640 DTT Antennas, and QEC Pty Ltd provided 3,100 DTT antennas.
3. USAASA informed me that an amount of R8,834,200.00 was paid to Ellies Industries. QEC and Temic Manufacturing were paid R17,770.32 and R27,018.00 respectively.

**MR NN MUNZHELELE**

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**MS AF MUTHAMBI (MP)**

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