

**DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC ENTERPRISES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO.: PQ 946**

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**946. Ms B M van Minnen (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:**

Ms B M van Minnen (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises: (a) What are the reasons that a certain person at Eskom (details furnished) has been suspended as the Standing Committee on Public Accounts has been informed and (b) for what allegations is he being investigated?

**REPLY:**

**According to the information received from Eskom**

**(a) and (b)**

The CPO, Solly Tshitangano, is suspended pending the finalisation of a disciplinary hearing. Broadly speaking, the CPO is facing the following charges:

* gross misconduct in the form of gross dereliction of duty and/or a failure to exercise due care;
* gross misconduct in the form of gross dishonesty;
* gross negligence in the performance of his duties;
* failure to carry out instructions;
* breaching the conditions of his suspension;
* distributing confidential Eskom documents to a third party;
* making any false statement or representation that relates to, or ensues from, his duties;
* disclosing confidential information obtained in the course of his duties to third parties;
* breaching Eskom’s procurement and supply chain management procedure; and
* breaching his fiduciary and statutory duties as set out in the Public Finance Management Act 1 of 1999.