**National Assembly**

**Question Number: 955**

**955. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(1) Whether he will furnish Mrs M O Clarke with copies of the maintenance records of the bridge on Heidelberg Road in Ward 40 in the City of Ekurhuleni;

(2) what are the details of all repairs conducted on the specified bridge;

(3) whether his department conducted a site inspection to evaluate the damage of the bridge; if so, what are the details of the findings;

(4) what (a) budget has been put in place to deal with the structural damage of the bridge and (b) are the timelines in this regard;

(5) what temporary measures will be put in place to deal with the safety risks associated with the dilapidated state of the bridge? NW2109E

**Reply**

1. SANRAL can confirm that based on the locality description, the only SANRAL bridges in the locality is where N3 crossed Heidelberg Road. These SANRAL bridges are in excellent condition based on most surveys performed by independent professional registered engineers.

Based on SANRAL investigation the bridges in question fall outside of SANRAL jurisdiction, and are rail bridges crossing Heidelberg Road that fall under shared jurisdiction of Transnet/PRASA and Gauteng Provincial Government. As such SANRAL has no access the maintenance records of these bridges.

1. As these are not SANRAL bridges, we have no details on repairs conducted.
2. As these are not SANRAL bridges, we have no details on-site inspections performed to evaluate the damage and associated risks.
3. As these are not SANRAL bridges no budget provisions has been made by SANRAL.
4. As these are not SANRAL bridges, we have no details on temporary measures that will be put in place.