

Date: 26 October 2009

To: Prospective Delegate

From: Mr. E.B. Mathebula

Chief Director: Environmental Affairs and Conservation

Re: Invitation To Provincial Waste Summit: 26th – 27th November 2009

The attached Programme has reference and we herewith invite you as a valued stakeholder and partner to this all important and strategic Provincial Waste Summit to be held at the President Hotel in Bloemfontein, Free State Province as per the attached Programme.

This groundbreaking Provincial Waste Summit is geared towards creating responsive awareness and finding solutions towards the creation of sustainable jobs within the environment sector, particularly what is currently known as Green Jobs.

Waste removal and minimization by municipalities is of great concern within this second decade of the Democratic state. Waste, if not well handled, can lead to very serious negative environmental impacts that manifest themselves in disease, water systems drainage and contamination problems, destruction of biodiversity, including its use as a mass protest action, etc.

However the above cannot be done and be implemented within a vacuum. It needs vision and bold leadership to find solutions that would address the challenges mentioned herein. This is the rationale behind the Department holding the first ever Waste Summit within the Province.

Waste is very recognisable in that it is as a result of direct and indirect human behaviour. The Waste Summit will focus at looking at waste not only from the cleaning requirements but at finding and identifying solutions that would lead to best practise recycling methods and the promotion of business opportunities.

It is within this context that we strongly believe that you will be of vital importance in profiling and heightening the discourse in this groundbreaking event.

Your confirmation of attendance is appreciated in advance.

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Regards and thank you.

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