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TO

: HANSARD HOUSE OF BUSINESS

FROM

: OFFICE OF THE MEC:

SUBJECT: RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS 547 & 548 IQP 40

Enclosed herewith please find attached responses to above-mentioned written reply.

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MEC FOR TRANSPORT, SAFETY AND LIAISON

DATE: 08/11/2018



548. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport:

 How many government vehicles are under the ownership of her Department as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

RESPONSE

As at 30 September 2018 vehicles owned by Department of Transport (DOT) (through Government Fleet Management Services Trading Entity (GFMS) and DOT) were as follows

| OPERATING Vehicles | No of Vehicles | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Active GFMS leases to all departments | 2976 | |
| GFMS pool vehicles | 15 | |
| GFMS Relief Vehicles Pool | 54 | |
| DOT owned vehicles | 109 | |
| | 3154 | |
| Total | | |
| Vehicles STOCK | | |
| New vehicles (Work in progress) | 147 | |
| Awaiting Disposal | 291 | |
| Total | 438 | |
| GRAND TOTAL | 3 592 | |

 (a) how many of these vehicles are (i) currently out of service and (ii) in for repairs and (b) can she kindly provide the reasons in this regard in each case;

RESPONSE

As at 22 October 2018 the responses to the question are as follows

- a) (i)Vehicles out of service as a result of being written of or finished their lease are 291 as per the table above
 - (ii) Please see table below

| | TYPE OF INCIDENT (b) | Numbers |
|----|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. | Major Accident Damage | 83 |
| | | |

| 2. | Minor non drivable accidents | 40 |
|----|---|-----|
| 3. | Certificate of fitness (unlicensed) (need repairs for relicensing) | 26 |
| 4. | Other minor repairs (brakes, minor drivable accidents, sensors, non-starting, leaks being investigated, etc.) | 354 |
| | Total | 503 |

(3) whether all the aforementioned vehicles have valid licences; if not, can she kindly provide the reasons in this regard;

RESPONSE

All vehicles have valid licences except the 26 vehicles awaiting repairs for Certificate of fitness (See 3 in the table above).

(4) (a) how many fines were incurred by government vehicles and the drivers thereof in the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18 and (iii) 2018/19 financial years to date as at the latest specified date for which information is available, (b) what total amount has her Department paid out in this regard and (c) who was responsible for the payment of the said fines;

RESPONSE

| | | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 |
|----|----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| a) | Fines Incurred | R394 050 | R406 737 | R339 900 |
| b) | Fines paid | 0 | 0 | 0 |

c) GFMS owes the Road Traffic Infringement Agency R 39 993 for infringements that were cleared on the Enatis system by GFMS. These fines were blocking the GFMS Enatis account and therefore had to be cleared so that GFMS can continue to licence vehicles. GFMS is in the process of processing a payment for these fines (infringements). Fines are the responsibility of the drivers and as such when fines are paid by GFMS, departments are then invoiced for the departments to claim from the responsible driver. (5) whether her Department has taken or envisages taking any action against drivers of departmental vehicles who incur fines; if not, why; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard?

RESPONSE

The infringements are mostly driver infringements but because in most infringements the traffic officers are not able to identify the driver a fine is issued against the owner of the vehicle which in this case is GFMS. GFMS if the fines are received timeously, tries to identify the name of the driver at the time of the incident and redirects the fine for payment by the driver. In cases where the fines are received very late, the fines are billed by GFMS for the account of the department for the department to recover the amounts from their employees. GFMS has no contractual relationship with the drivers and as such is unable to take action against the drivers.