

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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791. Mr I M Sileku (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) How many metropolitan municipalities are owing money to Eskom;
- (2) whether any measures are in place to pay Eskom; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures and (b) what are the further relevant details?

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REPLY

- (1) In terms of the Eskom section 41 report of the MFMA as at the end of September 2022, there are 7 metros that showed overdue balances. These overdue balances range from just over two hundred thousand to marginally over one billion and three hundred million.
- (2) According to the section 41 report, Eskom indicates that they have engaged with the respective metros, reminders were issued for the overdue amounts, a few of the metros have made arrangements to settle the outstanding amounts whilst a few raised disputes with the account. Below is the detail of the status of the accounts with Eskom as at the end of September 2022.

NB: The status may have changed since the issuing of this report.

Name of Municipality	Details of actions taken
BUFFALO CITY METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	The municipality's account payments are up to date.
NELSON MANDELA BAY METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Municipality raised dispute regarding the interest payment.
MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	The municipality signed a payment arrangement
CITY OF EKURHULENI METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Municipality committed to settle the outstanding balance
CITY OF JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Municipality raised dispute regarding one of the accounts.
CITY OF TSHWANE METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Eskom declared a dispute and a payment arrangement is being reviewed.
ETHEKWINI METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Payment reminders were issued for the overdue accounts
CITY OF CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY	Payment reminders were issued for the overdue accounts.