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Media Statement

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PIKITUP TO IMPLEMENT WASTE COLLECTION RECOVERY PLAN THIS WEEKEND

Pikitup will implement a waste collection recovery plan this weekend to address the backlogs caused by the two-day work stoppage earlier this week.

The work stoppage, which occurred on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, and Thursday, April 3, 2025, resulted in the suspension of scheduled waste collection across all depot areas and to clear the backlogs, depots will be collecting waste on Saturday 05 April and Sunday 06 April 2025 according to the below schedule.

DEPOT	SATURDAY 05/04/2025	SUNDAY 06/04/2025	REGION
AVALON	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region G
CENTRAL CAMP	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region D
MARLBORO	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region E
MIDRAND	Thursday collections	Wednesday collections	Region A
NORWOOD	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region E & F
ORANGE FARM	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region G
RANDBURG	Thursday collections	Wednesday collections	Region B and C
ROODEPOORT	Thursday collections	Wednesday collections	Region C
SELBY	No Backlog – daily collection		
SOUTHDALE	Wednesday and Thursday collections		
WATERVAL	Thursday collections	Wednesday collections	Region B
ZONDI	Wednesday collections	Thursday collections	Region D

Pikitup requests that residents place their bins outside for collection on the respective days.

The work stoppage was prompted by employees from all 12 depots protesting outside the Mayor's office, demanding the continuation of transport services that were previously provided for commuting between home and work. Pikitup suspended these services due to safety concerns raised by the taxi industry's claim that they are legally authorized to transport employees. Stakeholder discussions are ongoing to resolve this issue.

Pikitup apologises for the inconvenience caused and appreciates the patience and cooperation of residents as the company works to restore normal waste collection services.

NB: Residents are advised to also visit Pikitup's social media platforms to view the waste recovery plan.