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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 241

Lost accreditation by laboratories

Ms J M Adriaanse (North West: DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

(a) How many laboratories of the SA Bureau of Standards lost accreditation from the SA National Accreditation System during operational failures that necessitated the Laboratory Recovery Plan, (b) how many laboratories have since regained accreditation and (c) what is the expected timeline for the remaining laboratories to be reaccredited?
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REPLY:

I have been advised by the SA Bureau of Standards (SABS) as follows.

- (a) None, all of the SABS laboratories maintained their accreditation status.
- (b) None, since all SABS laboratories maintained their accreditation status.
- (c) None, the partial suspension of the cement scope impacted the product certification of the cement and not the cement laboratory, and this suspension has since been lifted by SANAS in May 2025.

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