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Media Statement

JRA AND CITY POWER WORKING TOGETHER TO RESOLVE WIDESPREAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL FAILURES

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The **Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA)** and **City Power** apologise for the frustration and congestion on our roads caused by the failure of traffic signals when a City Deep Power Station malfunctioned earlier today.

“I would like to sincerely apologise to all motorists affected by this outage this morning that caused traffic signal failures in the City of Johannesburg and let you know that we are working with City Power to address the power supply issues and have all hands on deck to resolve this,” says **Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA) Managing Director, Mr Skhumbuzo Macozoma**.

“We absolutely appreciate the urgency of the situation and understand the impact it is having on the City’s economy and are doing everything we can to get the affected traffic signals back up and running.”

This morning at 6am, City Power experienced a technical fault on one of the transformers at the Prospect substation. Both City Power and Eskom started to investigate the technical fault in order to determine what caused the loss of supply at the Prospect Substation, which is one of the three bulk intake stations in Johannesburg. This Substation feeds several smaller substations that were affected by the interruption of supply at the Prospect Substation

“City Power and Eskom technicians were on site, working around the clock to put power back at the afore-mentioned substations and started restoring supply at 9h00 and full supply to all areas was expected before the end of the day. We will keep customers informed as and when we get new updates regarding this matter,” said **Sicelo Xulu, MD of City Power**. “City Power apologises for any inconvenience caused to customers during this power outage.”

Customers experiencing loss of power can call the City of Johannesburg call centre at 0860 562 874 or log a call on City Power website www.citypower.co.za by clicking on “Fault Logging”. City Power will send out updates on Twitter: @CityPowerjhb

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In the meantime, JRA and City Power urge all motorists to treat affected intersections as four way stops.

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About the Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA)

The JRA is a City-owned agency responsible for the maintenance, repair and development of Johannesburg's road network and storm water infrastructure, including bridges and culverts, traffic lights and signage.

The organisation is committed to providing quality roads that are accessible, safe and liveable for our communities.

The JRA encourages residents to report road and storm water issues to 0860 562 874/ hotline@jra.org.za / twitter @MyJra so that we may be of service.

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