

30 November 2018

To: Cllr Maipato Tsokolibane  
Speaker of Council  
Emfuleni Local Municipality  
c/o: Ms. Mmatshpo Mathambo  
Per: E-mail ([MmatshpoM@emfuleni.gov.za](mailto:MmatshpoM@emfuleni.gov.za))

And to: The Executive Mayor  
Emfuleni Local Municipality  
Cllr. Jacob Khawe  
Per: E-mail (<mailto:carolv@emfuleni.gov.za>)

And to: The Municipal Manager  
Emfuleni Local Municipality  
Mr. Dithabe Nkoane  
Per: E-mail ([mm@emfuleni.gov.za](mailto:mm@emfuleni.gov.za))

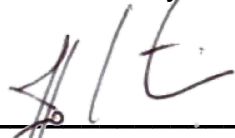
Dear Sirs.

**ORGANISATION UNDOING TAX ABUSE: A LOCALLY RECOGNISED  
COMMUNITY ORGANISATION  
OUR REF: L3DA/01  
YOUR REF: UNKNOWN**

1. The Organisation Undoing Tax Abuse (OUTA) is a proudly South African non-profit civil action organisation, comprising of and supported by people who are passionate about improving the prosperity of our nation. OUTA Local was established to challenge the abuse of authority, in particular the abuse of taxpayers' money in Local Government and more particularly in Municipalities.
2. OUTA was approached by members of the Emfuleni community for assistance in resolving, amongst others, municipal service delivery issues. OUTA – Emfuleni Local Branch was subsequently initiated during June 2018.
3. OUTA Local Government Division is a properly established community-based civil rights organisation forming part of OUTA, under its national Memorandum of Incorporation, and which acts on behalf of the community in the form of its supporters.

4. As you may be aware, a municipality has a legal obligation to develop a culture of community participation through, among other things, consultative sessions with locally recognised community organisations<sup>1</sup>.
5. In light of the above, we believe OUTA – Emfuleni Local Branch to be a locally recognised community organisation as referred to in s17(2)(d) read with s 1 of the Systems Act.
6. In the spirit of engagement and cooperation, we would like to be formally recognised as by you and wish to establish a communication platform through which OUTA – Emfuleni Local Branch can actively participate and engage with the Municipality.
7. By way of introduction, Mr T Moloi, has been appointed as our branch representative.
8. Kindly contact writer in the event of any queries.
9. We trust that you find the above in order and look forward to our future engagements.
10. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours Sincerely,



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**Provincial Manager**  
**OUTA Local Government Division**  
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<sup>1</sup> Chapter 4 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 32 of 2000 – hereinafter referred to as the Systems Act.