Supreme Court of Appeal of South Africa

MEDIA STATEMENT

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The respondent was awarded a contract by the appellants to provide a municipal refuse removal service. The contract had been concluded without due compliance with statutory procurement procedures.

Although a high court had found the contract to be valid and enforceable, the appellants contended otherwise.

The Supreme Court of Appeal today ruled that the contract was invalid and could not be extended. The appellants appeal was upheld with costs.

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