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**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1865 FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms T E Baker (DA) is attached for your consideration.

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)**

DATE: 11/09/2017

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**MRS NP MOKONYANE  
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 26.09.17

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 1865

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**1865. Ms T E Baker (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (1) Whether any Suikerbos pump sites were (a) stripped and/or (b) upgraded during the past five financial years; if so, (i) which pump sites were stripped or upgraded, (ii) when were they stripped or upgraded, (iii) what amount was the contractor paid in each case and (vi) what is the name of the contractor in each case;
- (2) whether any contractor failed to fulfill their contract; if so, (a) which contractor, (b) what aspects of the contract did they fail to fulfill and (c) what action has been taken against them in each case?

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**REPLY:**

- (1) We record our undertaking as that the questions relate to Rand Water Zuikerbosch Pumping Station. We also respond with understanding that stripping refers to demolition of infrastructure for the purpose of constructing the new infrastructure, upgrade refers to augmentation. We refer to augmentation when we upgrade our infrastructure to meet water supply demands.

Rand Water implemented augmentation programmes at Zuikerbosch pumping station to provide additional capacity of 200 MI/d. **Annexure A** shows augmentation projects implemented at Rand Water Zuikerbosch pumping station in the last five years. The balance of the other contracts at Zuikerbosch pumping station over the last five years is shown in **Annexure B**.

- (1)(a) Refer to Item 7 on **Annexure A** regarding what was a demolition work which entailed demolition of an old pilot filter house 2B. Demolition was necessary so that new filter house 2B to provide additional 100 MI/d could be constructed. Refer to Item 11 on **Annexure A** was the construction of a new sedimentation tank to provide additional 100 MI/d. The contractor could not achieve contractual obligations and some structures had to be demolished and reconstructed properly.
- (1)(b) Refer to the Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13 and 14 on **Annexure A** regarding all upgrades forming part of augmentation projects at Zuikerbosch pumping station as part of additional 200 MI/d added to the infrastructure to meet water supply demands. Items 7 and 11 on **Annexure A** refer to demolition work (stripping) and the rest of the items refer to augmentation (upgrades).
- (2)(a) Demolition work as referred to in Item 7 on **Annexure A** shows Jampe Construction being the contractor that failed to demolish an old pilot filter house 2B. They were appointed for R1, 736,009 and were paid R342, 510 at the time of terminating their contract due to non-performance. The termination was referred to mediation as per the provisions of contract and the termination was upheld by the mediator. After they were terminated, their remaining scope of work was added to the work awarded to Superway (Pty) Ltd. In addition to demolition of an old pilot filter house 2B, Superway was appointed for the construction of the new filter 2B.

(2)(b) Refer to Item 11 on **Annexure A** regarding upgrade workshows Dipcivils (Pty) Ltd being the contractor that failed their contractual obligations to construct a new sedimentation tank. They were appointed for R103, 349,955.00 and were paid R57, 911,310.90 at the time of terminating their contract due to non-performance. As of part recouping the costs, Rand Water has held the surety (R10.3m) and retention (R5.8m) from the contractor. The total amount held is R16.1m which is the sum of surety and retention. Furthermore, Rand Water's Legal Service Department has been pursuing claim for damages. Dipcivils had undergone business administration in the process.

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**ANNEXURE A: MAJOR AUGMENTATION PROJECTS AT RAND WATER'S ZUIKERBOSCH PUMPING STATION**

Item No.	Project	Description	Project Manager	Contractor	Start	End	Contract Amount (Incl. Cont, Forex, Esc)	Paid Amount	Comments
1	P.02550	Construction of 2x100 M/d Sedimentation Tanks	Tebogo Motsisi	King Civil/BuildAgain JV	Jan-2012	Apr-2014	R 101 620 110.60	R 99 439 643.84	Work complete
2	P.02550	Supply & Installation of Desludging Bridges	Tebogo Motsisi	Demag Cranes & Components (Pty) Ltd	Apr-2013	Jan-2017	R 38 897 266.21	R 35 699 461.89	Work complete. In Defects Notification Period
3	P.03557	Construction of Polyelectrolyte plant	Godfrey Mamema	Moreteng	Sep-2013	Oct-2015	R 31 119 764.00	R 29 350 124.70	Work 95% complete. Plant in beneficial use. Contractor battling to complete snags and close out.
4	P.03560	Milk Of Lime dosing for pH Correction	Elijah Motokomme	Ket Civils	Sep-2015	Oct-2015	R 519 440.00	R 519 440.00	Work complete
5	P.02854	Filter House 2B: Civil works	Sphelele Mdlleshe	Superway (Pty) Ltd	Oct-2012	May-2017	R 176 325 486.84	R 135 936 460.41	Work complete. In Defects Notification Period
6	P.02854	Filter House 2B: Mechanical works	Sphelele Mdlleshe	Boteng-Megatron-Eigenbau JV	Mar-2013	Jul-2016	R 90 894 485.20	R 89 079 682.94	The work is 95% complete. Plant in beneficial use. The contractor is resolving the automation snags.
7	P.02854	Filter House 2B: Demolition Works	Sphelele Mdlleshe	Jampe Construction	Sep-2011	May-2012	R 1 736 009.00	R 342 510.00	Contract Terminated in May 2012
8	P.03558	Carbonation Plant	Ndumi Mbambo	Mathosi Engineering	May-2014	Jun-2017	R 13 942 775.00	R 12 885 397.50	Work complete. In Defects Notification Period
9	P.03559	Disinfection Plant	Vishay Bhoola	Sebushi Somo Construction and Projects	Oct-2015	Mar-2016	R 16 779 385.70	R 3 224 939.50	Phase 1 is complete and plant in Beneficial Use. Contractual battling to fulfil obligations on Phase 2.
10	P.02551	Construction of 2x200 M/d Sedimentation Tanks	Tebogo Motsisi	Eigenbau (Pty) Ltd	Mar-2015	Jun-2016	R 99 810 985.93	R 89 803 068.16	Work Complete
	P.02551	Construction of 2x200 M/d Sedimentation Tanks	Tebogo Motsisi	DipCivil (Pty) Ltd	Nov-2011	May-2014	R 103 349 955.00	R 57 911 310.90	Contract Terminated on 8 May 2014. Rand Water is still in possession of surety (R10.3m) and retention (R5.8m) from progress payments. Rand Water's Legal Service Department has been pursuing claim for damages. DipCivils had undergone under business administration.
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12	P.02551	Supply & Installation of Desludging Bridges	Tebogo Motsisi	RICCLA t/a PCI Africa	Oct-2012	Jun-2016	R 21 121 793.18	R 20 260 613.59	Complete.
13	P.02551	Turntables	Varun Balrajath	Calliper	May-2015	Nov-2016	R 2 331 470.20	R 1 858 554.00	Scope has been completed. Contractor sorting out minor snags.
14	P.01598	Poly Plant 3 Upgrade for F1	Vishay Bhoola	Consolidated Water Conditioning	Mar-2011	Dec-2013	R 7 428 260.00	R 7 187 296.31	Work complete.
15	P.02614	Desludging Bridges	Humbulani Mathabi	RICCLA t/a PCI Africa	Mar-2012	May-2017	R 49 810 293.48	R 49 743 151.42	The project is 95% complete, the last 2 bridges are on Defects Notification Period (DNP) till October 2017 and January 2018 respectively.