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QUESTION NO 2461

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2461. Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (1) Whether his department received the application for a Water Use Licence General Authorisation (WULGA) for the Kusile Wetland Offset Plan from Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what is the date of the specified application;
- (2) Whether he will furnish Ms A M M Weber with the details of whether Eskom Holdings Pty (Ltd) has received the WULGA license for the Kusile Wetland Offset plan; if not, why not; if so what are the relevant details?

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- (1) Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd lodged a water use licence application for the rehabilitation of wetlands identified in Kusile Wetland offset plan (Ref No. WU8831) on 24 July 2018 which was closed and re-opened 3 times on eWULAAS between December 2018 and November 2020, due to non-submission of technical information by the Applicant. Phase 3 of the application process was re-opened again on 01 December 2020 on eWULAAS and the Applicant submitted the technical information on 08 March 2021.

The Applicant was subsequently requested to submit outstanding technical information on 22 March 2022 (see letter attached hereto) then opted to withdraw the water use licence application on 02 April 2022 (Withdrawal notification attached hereto).

- (2) Eskom Holdings Pty (Ltd) withdrew the water use licence application on 02 April 2022 as indicated above.

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DRAFT REPLY: RECOMMENDED/ ~~NOT RECOMMENDED~~/ AMENDED



DR SEAN PHILLIPS
DIRECTOR GENERAL
DATE: 23/06/2023 ✓

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MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION
DATE: 27/06/2023