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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 699

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699. Ms M Dlamini (Mpumalanga: EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

(a) What is the status of the investigation regarding the Hammanskraal water crises and (b) what are the further relevant details in this regard? CW887E

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

- a) Temba Water Treatment Plant is still producing water that is not fit for human consumption. The water supplied by the plant is used for other uses such as bathing, flushing toilets, irrigation and washing.
 - Potable water is supplied by the City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality through tankers. In addition, Magalies Water was given a directive by the Department of Water and Sanitation to install a package plant at Klipdrift Water Treatment Plant and funds have been made available by National Treasury during the 2023/24 Mid Term budget adjustment. It is anticipated that the first 10 ML/d plant will be operational by March 2024. This will enable Magalies Water to sell additional treated water to Tshwane. This water will be supplied directly into the water distribution network in Hammanskraal. In the meantime, the City continues to supply residents in Hammanskraal with potable water supplied by water tankers.
- b) The poor water quality emanates from the Rooiwal Wastewater Treatment Works effluent. The City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality is resuming Phase 1 refurbishment and finalisation of the Primary Settling Tank at Rooiwal with an amount of R450 million over a period of three years (R150 million for 2023/24 Municipal Financial Year).

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DR SEAN PHILLIPS
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
DATE: 24/0/23

DRAFT REPLY: APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED/ AMENDED

MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

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