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DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION

NO. 3363

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INTENTION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF BLOEM WATER TO THE PROPOSED VAAL CENTRAL WATER BOARD

Following the Government Gazette Number 47578 published on 28 November 2022, wherein comments were requested on my intention to change the name of Bloem Water to Central Water Board or Z.R Mahabane Central Water Board. Further consultations were made, a proposal has been made to change the name of Bloem Water to Vaal Central Water Board.

I, Mr Senzo Mchunu, in my capacity as Minister of Water and Sanitation, hereby, in terms of section 28 of the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997):


- a) Intend to change the name of Bloem Water to Vaal Central Water Board in terms of Section 28 (1)(b) of the Water Services Act.
- b) Gazette the name change of the geographic area of Bloem Water so that the former Sedibeng Water's service area in the Northern Cape is incorporated and called "Vaal Central Water Board".
- c) That the name change will be done in terms of section 28 (1) (a) (b) (c) and (d) of the Water Services Act, 1997 which states that: *"The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, establish a water board; give it a name or approve a change of its name; determine or change its service area or disestablish it".*

I give the reasons for the change of name as follows:

I have approved and gazetted the disestablishment of Sedibeng Water and the transfer of staff, assets and liabilities of the former Sedibeng Water in the Northern Cape Province to Bloem Water on 26 July 2022. The area of mandate of Bloem Water has been extended beyond Free State Province to include the Northern Cape Province after the disestablishment of Sedibeng Water. Hence there is a proposal to change the name from Bloem Water to Vaal Central Water Board.

All interested and affected persons are invited to comment in writing on the name change of Bloem Water to Vaal Central Water Board for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. All such comments must be addressed to:

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