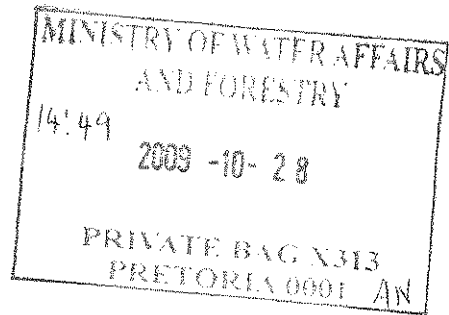




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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1528 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Mr. G R Morgan (DA) is attached for your consideration, please.


DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE:

27/10/09

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DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


MS B P SONJICA, MP
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1528. Mr G R Morgan (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) With reference to her reply to written Question 60 on 28 September 2009, what are the
(a) names and (b) locations of all mines operating without water licences;
- (2) whether any progress has been made in implementing the process to ensure that the mining does not commence before the mine operators are in possession of a water use licence; if not, why not; if so, what progress?

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REPLY:

(1)(a)

and

(1)(b)

NAME OF THE MINE	PROVINCE
Finsch Mine	Northern Cape
Diamond Core Mine	Northern Cape
Harmony Gold Mine	Gauteng
Rand Uranium	Gauteng
GoldFields Gold Mine (Driefontein)	Gauteng
GoldFields Gold Mine (South Deep)	Gauteng
DRDGold SA (Blyvooruitzicht)	Gauteng
Anker Coal	Gauteng
New Denmark Colliery	Gauteng
Umlabu Coal	Gauteng
Nooitgedacht Colliery	Gauteng
Knights Gold Mine	Gauteng
East Rand Proprietary Mine	Gauteng
Sasol Mining	Gauteng
Simmer and Jack	Gauteng
New Vaal Colliery (Anglo)	Gauteng
Sigma Colliery (Sasol)	Gauteng
Optimum Colliery	Mpumalanga
Xstrata Coal South Africa	Mpumalanga
Middelburg Mine Services (Pty.) Ltd.	Mpumalanga

Vuna Mining Enterprises	Mpumalanga
Shanduka Coal (Pty) Ltd	Mpumalanga
Eastside Coal Company (Pty) Ltd	Mpumalanga
Rustenburg Platinum Mine	Mpumalanga
Mafube Coal Mining	Mpumalanga
Khuthala Colliery	Mpumalanga
Dilokong Chrome Mine	Mpumalanga
Graspan Colliery (Pty) Ltd	Mpumalanga
Inyanda Coal (Pty) Ltd	Mpumalanga
Total Coal SA	Mpumalanga
Grootgeluk Coal Mine	Limpopo
Tshikondeni Coal Mine	Limpopo
Uitkomst Colliery	KwaZulu- Natal
Magdalena Colliery	KwaZulu- Natal
Kangra Savemore Colliery	KwaZulu- Natal
Kangra Coal Maquasa	KwaZulu- Natal
Vaalkrantz Colliery	KwaZulu- Natal
Springlake Colliery	KwaZulu- Natal

- (2) Yes, My Department provides comments on all mining applications from Department of Mineral Resources in terms of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and ensures that the mines compile the Integrated Waste Water Management Plan (IWWMP) before commencement with the mining operations.

Furthermore, the Department of Mineral Resources will only issue the Authorization to mines subject to the mine issued with the Water Use License. My Department and the Department of Mineral Resources have agreed that the Water Use Authorization Process will run parallel with the mining right application process in order to ensure that mining do not commence without a Water Use License.