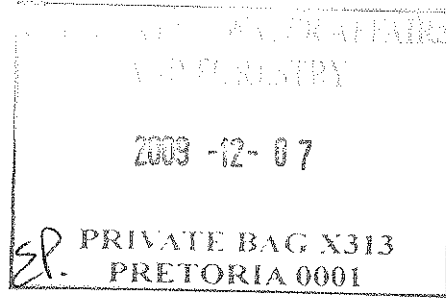




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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1766 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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


DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE:

7.12.07


DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


MS B P SONJICA, MP
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QUESTION NO 1766

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(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 22)

1766. Mr P J C Pretorius (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

Whether the capacity of the Clanwilliam dam will be increased; if not, why not; if so, (a) to what capacity will it be increased, (b) what will the project entail, (c) when will the project (i) commence and (ii) be completed and (d) what will the estimated cost be?

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REPLY:

- (a) Yes. The capacity of the Clanwilliam Dam will be increased from the current 124 million cubic metres (m³) to about 300 million m³ to create an additional yield of 70 million m³ of water.
- (b) The project will entail strengthening the dam wall in accordance with the Dam Safety Regulations; creating an additional yield that will supply resource poor farmers and improving assurance of supply to existing water users.
- (c)(i) The project will commence once a decision has been taken on the appeals.
- (c)(ii) If the appeal process is finalised by 2010/11, it is envisaged that the project will be completed by 2015/16.
- (d) The estimated cost of raising the dam is R677 million (based on 2009 prices).

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