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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1808 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Mr I M Ollis (DA); is attached for your consideration.


DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE: 8/6/10


DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


MS B P SONJICA, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

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QUESTION NO 1808

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1808. Mr I M Ollis (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

What recourse would persons have who are affected by the issue of a licence or by the authorisation for water use in terms of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998? NW2084E

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REPLY:

Section 41(4) of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998 (the Act) allows the responsible authority (my Department) to request applicants to notify people who are interested in or who could be affected by a proposed new water use, to lodge written objections before a specified date.

When a decision has been made on the application, my Department must notify the applicant and any affected person who had lodged an objection in terms of Section 42 of the Act. However, the affected person who had timeously lodged an objection could appeal to the Water Tribunal against the decision of my Department within 30 days of the notice in terms of Section 148 of the Act.

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