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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 2871 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Mrs H N Ndude (Cope); is attached for your consideration.


DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE:

21/10/10


DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


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

DATE:

24. 10. 2010

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QUESTION NO 2871

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2871. Mrs H N Ndude (Cope) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) Whether she has been informed that the water treatment plant at Brits is failing and that the local community has to buy bottled water due to the unclean and poor water quality; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what measures has she put in place to remedy this situation and (b) how can the process of fixing or replacing the water treatment plant be expedited?

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REPLY:

- (1) Yes, my Department has been informed that the water treatment plant at Brits is failing and that the local community has to buy bottled water due to the unclean and poor water quality.
- (1)(a) The Madibeng Local Municipality is tankering portable water which meets the acceptable Drinking Water Quality Standard to the affected communities until the quality of water is been restored.
- (1)(b) My Department has allocated R105, 9 million for 2010/11 to 2012/13 financial years through the Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant Programme, to upgrade the plant and is in the process of appointing Magalies Water as an implementing agent to undertake the process of refurbishing or replacing the water treatment plant.

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