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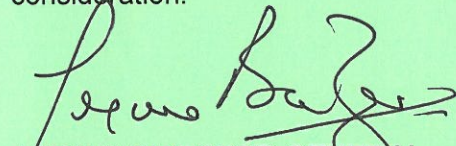
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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 3425 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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



ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 14/12/2010

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED



MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DATE: 2010/12/14

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QUESTION NO 3425

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3425. Mr S Mokgalapa (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) (a) When was the Mhlathuze Water Board dissolved, (b) who decided that the Board should be dissolved and (c) why was it necessary for each member of the Board to be replaced on the new board;
- (2) (a) what are the names of all the chief executive officers (CEOs) of this Board since 1 January 2007 and (b) in each case (i) what was the (aa) date of their appointment and (bb) date that they ceased to be the CEO and (ii) what was the reason for them ceasing to be the CEO;
- (3) whether she took any steps with regard to (a) the governance and (b) financial challenges at the Board; if not, why not; if so, (i) what are the relevant details and (ii) what steps has she taken in this regard?

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REPLY:

- (1)(a) The Mhlathuze Water Board was not dissolved; the Minister however rescinded her decision to appoint a new board on the 13 January 2010 and extended the term of office of the existing board until due process is followed for the appointment of a new board.
- (1)(b) Falls away.
- (1)(c) The four year term of the Board's appointment had come to an end as outlined in the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997)
- (2) Refer to table below.

(2)(a) NAME OF CEO	(2)(b)(i)(aa) APPOINTMENT DATE	(2)(b)(i)(bb) TERMINATION DATE	(2)(b)(ii) REASON FOR LEAVING
Mr Lawrence Sithole	1 January 2005	31 January 2008	Mutual separation
Mr Khandani Msibi	17 June 2008	27 November 2008	Resigned
Mr Silas Mbedzi	8 June 2009	11 March 2010	Mutual separation
Mr Vic Botes	1 May 2010	To date	

- (3)(a) In terms of governance, suitable people were appointed to act in the absence of the Chief Executive.
- (3)(b)(i) Mhlathuze Water has not encountered any financial challenges.
- (3)(b)(ii) In the past financial year Mhlathuze Water received an unqualified audit.

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