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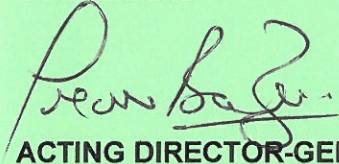
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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 3556 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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



ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 18/12/2010

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED 



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

DATE: 2010/12/14

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**3556. Mr A M Figlan (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:**

- (1) How many applications for information in terms of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, Act 2 of 2000, were received by the (a) Department of Water Affairs, (b) Water Research Commission and (c) Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority (i) in the 2009-10 financial year and (ii) since 1 April 2010;
- (2) (a) on what date was each specified application received, (b) with regard to each specified application that has been responded to thus far, on what date did the department or entity notify the applicant of the outcome and (c) in respect of how many specified applications for which no outcome has been provided thus far has the 30-day response period been exceeded;
- (3) whether any of the specified applications for which the department or entity declined to provide (a) all the requested information or (b) part of the requested information were followed up by applicants taking further action through the courts in order to access the information; if so, (i) how many in each case and (ii) what are the further relevant details in each case;
- (4) what is the (a) name, (b) email address and (c) telephone number of the information officer of the (i) Department of Water Affairs, (ii) Water Research Commission and (iii) Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority in terms of the Act?

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**REPLY:**

- (1)(a) Listed below are the applications received by the Department.
  - The Island Residents Association
  - Rural Integrated Engineering (PTY) LTD
  - Mr. A.W.F Middelberg
  - CSO engagement with the Department on Timber Plantation
- (1)(b)(i) None.
- (1)(c)(i) None.
- (1)(c)(i) None.
- (1)(c)(ii) None.
- (2) Refer to table below.

| Name of Entity  | (2)(a) Date of received application | (2)(b) Date of Response  |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| The Island Residents Association                        | 29 January 2010                     | 3 February 2010  |
| Rural Integrated Engineering (PTY) LTD                  | 21 September 2010                   | 19 October 2010  |
| Mr. A.W.F Middelberg                                    | 23 April 2009                       | 29 September 2009  |
| CSO engagement with the Department on Timber Plantation | 21 June 2010                        | No information on this as the Forestry Section has since been transferred to the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries |

(3) The Island Residents Association Part of the Information was declined  
Rural Integrated Engineering (PTY) LTD all the information requested was denied

(4) Refer to Table below.

|  | (4)(a) Name          | (4)(b) Email Address | (4)(c) Telephone |
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| (4)(a)(i) The Department of Water Affairs. | Mrs Zukiswa Adams    | adamsz@dwa.gov.za    | 012-336-6521     |
| (4)(a)(ii) Water Research Commission       | Ms Reshmili Lutchman | reshmili@wrc.org.za  | 012-330-0340     |
| (4)(a)(iii) Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority | Mr James Ndlovu      | jndlovu@tcta.co.za   | 012-683-1246     |