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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 347 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Mr G R Morgan (DA) is attached for your consideration.

ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 8/06/2011.

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

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

DATE: 18/06/2011

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 347

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347. Mr G R Morgan (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) Since her reply to question 1602 on 8 June 2010, what are the (a) names and (b) locations of mines operating without valid water licence;
- (2) what, with reference to her reply to question 1602 on 8 June 2010, has been the progress of mines operating without water licences at the time of her reply with regard to their (a) applying for and (b) being granted water licences;
- (3) whether she has taken any steps to ensure that mines operating without water licences obtain water licences; if not, why not; if so, what steps;
- (4) whether any further (a) directives or (b) pre-directives have been issued against the mines operating without water licences in terms of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) when is it envisaged that all mines will be operating with valid water licences?

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REPLY:

- (1)(a)(b) The names of mines operating without a license are provided in **Table 1** as well as the respective provinces, whether these mines have applied for a license and the status of the license.
- (2)(a) The progress of mines operating without water licences at the time of her reply with regard to their (a) applying for is provided in **Table 2**.
- (b) The names of mines that have been granted water licences since 8 June 2010 are provided in **Table 3**.
- (3) Yes, my Department has embarked on a special initiative, the Letsema Project, to expedite the process of issuing Water Use Licences. The aim of this project is to eradicate backlog (s) in mining and all other Water Use Licence applications.



(4)(a)(b) A total of (a) Four Pre-Directives and (b) Two Directives were issued to date.

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE	WATER LICENSE APPLIED FOR (YES/NO)	STATUS
PRE – DIRECTIVES ISSUED			
Nkomati Anthracite	Mpumalanga	Yes	Contravention of License conditions
Black wattle Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	Contravention of License conditions
Xstrata plc Boschmans Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	Contravention of License conditions
New Vaal Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	Contravention of License conditions
DIRECTIVES ISSUED			
New Vaal Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	Contravention of License conditions
Uitkomst Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Outstanding information

- (5) There has been a concerted effort to ensure that the licensing process is fast tracked, coupled with a review of the licenses process. There has been an urgent need to group licenses per sector and further reprioritize license applications which are of strategic nature across the sectors. In this regard, the *Mining and Energy sector (Eskom)* are given high priority in that the specific focus has been given to Eskom license applications for energy generation. This includes the prioritization of applications for coal mines as feeders to power generation for Eskom. The aim is to ensure that all applications are dealt with by end October 2011, subject to the submission for all required information by clients.

(1a) & (1b)

TABLE 1

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE
Anglo GoedeHoop(Bank)Colliery	Mpumalanga
Anglo Greenside Colliery	Mpumalanga
Anglo Kleinkopje Colliery	Mpumalanga
Anglo Kriel Colliery	Mpumalanga
Anglo Landau Colliery	Mpumalanga
Elandsfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga
Khuthala Colliery (Main)	Mpumalanga
Klipspruit Colliery	Mpumalanga
Black wattle Colliery	Mpumalanga
Glisa Colliery	Mpumalanga
Arnot Colliery	Mpumalanga
Kendal Colliery	Mpumalanga
Delmas Coal/Kuyasa Coal	Mpumalanga
Mimosa Colliery	Mpumalanga
Optimum Colliery-Eikeboom Section	Mpumalanga
Sasol Mining (Syferfontein) controlled Release	Mpumalanga
Sasol Mining Syferfontein IWULA	Mpumalanga
Shanduka Graspan Colliery	Mpumalanga
Shanduka Lakeside and Leeuwfontein	Mpumalanga
Stuart Coal	Mpumalanga
Sumo Coal Kopermyne Colliery	Mpumalanga
Total Coal Forzando Coal Mine	Mpumalanga
Total Coal Dorstfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga
Umcebo Colliery Doornrug Coal Mine	Mpumalanga
Grootpan Colliery	Mpumalanga
Umcebo Mooifontein Colliery	Mpumalanga
Umcebo Nowesco (Brakfontein)	Mpumalanga
Strathrae Colliery	Mpumalanga
Shanduka Bankfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga
Shanduka Middleburg Townlands	Mpumalanga
World Wide Coal Carolina Groenvallei Colliery	Mpumalanga
World Wide Coal Carolina Haarlem Colliery	Mpumalanga
Xstrata plc South Witbank Colliery	Mpumalanga
Xstrata plc Tavistock Colliery	Mpumalanga
Xstrata plc Arthur Taylor Colliery (Open Cast)	Mpumalanga
Xstrata plc Boschmans Colliery	Mpumalanga
Xstrata plc Witcons Colliery	Mpumalanga
Foskor Mine Ltd	Mpumalanga
Annesley Andalusite Mine	Limpopo
Phokathaba Platinum Mine	Limpopo
Samancor: Tubatse Ferrochrome	Limpopo
Sasol Nitro Phalaborwa	Limpopo
New Consort Gold Mine	Limpopo
Sheba Gold Mine	Mpumalanga
Fairview Gold Mine	Mpumalanga
Komati Mine (African Rainbow Minerals)	Mpumalanga
Harmony Gold	Welkom
Simmer and Jack	Stilfontein
Gold Fields	Welkom
De Beers - Kimberley	Northern Cape
De Beers - Finch Mine	Northern Cape

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE
Hotazel Manganese Mine	Northern Cape
PMG Mine	Northern Cape
Misty Falls	Northern Cape
Clisa 42 (Pty) Ltd	Northern Cape
Venetia Mine	Limpopo
Buffelsfontein Platinum Mine	North West
Samancor Chrome Limited	North West
Vemecto Alloy Mine	North West
Anglo Platinum Mine	North West
Rhombus Vanadium Mine	North West
Aquarius Platinum SA	North West
Lonmin Platinum (Marikana)	North West
Northam Platinum Mine	North West
Exxaro	KwaZulu-Natal
Zuland Anthracite Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
Richard Bay Minerals	KwaZulu-Natal
Imbila Mines	KwaZulu-Natal
Somkele Mines	KwaZulu-Natal
Magdalena Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
Springlake Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
Uitkomst Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
Panbuilt Siding	KwaZulu-Natal
Maquasa West	KwaZulu-Natal
Geluk Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
Inhlobane Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal
South Deep Mines	Gauteng
Simmer and Jack	Gauteng
New Vaal Colliery	Gauteng
Sigma Colliery	Gauteng
New Kleinfontein	Gauteng
Impala Platinum	Gauteng
Rand Uranium	Gauteng
Mintails SA (Pty) Ltd	Gauteng
Harmony Gold	Gauteng
Anglo Ashanti	Gauteng
Gold Fields- Driefontein	Gauteng
DRD Gold	Gauteng
Sasol Mining	Gauteng
Harmony Gold	Gauteng
Golfview	Gauteng
Mooiplaats Colliery	Gauteng
Imbabala Colliery	Gauteng
Thutsi Colliery	Gauteng
Vunene Colliery	Gauteng
Umlabu Colliery	Gauteng
Central Rand Gold	Gauteng
Knights Gold	Gauteng
Glen Douglas	Gauteng
Lieliefontain Colliery	Gauteng

TABLE 2

(2a) & (2b)

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE	WATER LICENCE APPLIED FOR (YES/NO)	STATUS
Anglo GoedeHoop(Bank)Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Anglo Greenside Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Anglo Kleinkopje Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Anglo Kriel Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Anglo Landau Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Elandsfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Khuthala Colliery (Main)	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Klipspruit Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Black wattle Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Glisa Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Arnot Colliery	Mpumalanga	No	No license application received
Kendal Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Delmas Coal/Kuyasa Coal	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Mimosa Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Optimum Colliery-Eikeboom Section	Mpumalanga	Yes	License Withdrawn 25/05/2010
Sasol Mining (Syferfontein) controlled Release	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Sasol Mining Syferfontein IWULA	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Shanduka Graspan Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Shanduka Lakeside and Leeuwfontein	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Stuart Coal	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Sumo Coal Kopermyne Colliery	Mpumalanga	No	No license application received
Total Coal Forzando Coal Mine	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Total Coal Dorstfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Umcebo Colliery Doornrug Coal Mine	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Grootpan Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Umcebo Mooifontein Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Umcebo Nowesco (Brakfontein)	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Strathrae Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	License Withdrawn
Shanduka Bankfontein Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Shanduka Middleburg Townlands	Mpumalanga	Yes	License Declined 29/09/2010
World Wide Coal Carolina Groenvallei Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
World Wide Coal Carolina Haarlem Colliery	Mpumalanga	yes	In process
Xstrata plc South Witbank Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process (integrated WU license application with

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Xstrata plc Tavistock Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Xstrata plc Arthur Taylor Colliery (Open Cast)	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Xstrata plc Boschmans Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Xstrata plc Witcons Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process (integrated licence application with Boschmans colliery)
Foskor Mine Ltd	Mpumalanga	Yes	Incomplete documentation submitted by applicant hence referred back for revision
Phokathaba Platinum Mine	Limpopo	Yes	In process
Samancor: Tubatse Ferrochrome	Limpopo	Yes	In process
Sasol Nitro Phalaborwa	Limpopo	Yes	License Withdrawn
New Consort Gold Mine	Limpopo	Yes	In process
Sheba Gold Mine	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Fairview Gold Mine	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Komati Mine (African Rainbow Minerals)	Mpumalanga	Yes	In process
Harmony Gold	Welkom	Yes	In process
Simmer and Jack	Stilfontein	Yes	In process
Gold Fields	Welkom	No	No license application received
De Beers - Kimberley	Northern Cape	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
De Beers – Finch Mine	Northern Cape	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Hotazel Manganese Mine	Northern Cape	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
PMG Mine	Northern Cape	No (Pre Notice sent in July 2010)	No license application received Responded in the process of appointing Service provider to assist with Water Use Authorization application
Misty Falls	Northern Cape	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Clisa 42 (Pty) Ltd	Northern Cape	Yes	In process
Venetia Mine	Limpopo	Yes	In process
Buffelsfontein Platinum Mine	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Samancor Chrome Limited	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Vemecto Alloy Mine	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Anglo Platinum Mine	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Rhombus Vanadium Mine	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Aquarius Platinum SA	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE	WATER LICENCE APPLIED FOR (YES/NO)	STATUS
Lonmin Platinum (Marikana)	North West	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Northam Platinum Mine	North West	Yes	In process
Exxaro	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Zuland Anthracite Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Richard Bay Minerals	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Imbila Mines	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Somkele Mines	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Magdalena Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Springlake Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Uitkomst Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Panbuilt Siding	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Maquasa West	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Geluk Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
Inhlobane Colliery	KwaZulu-Natal	Yes	Awaiting outstanding information from Mine
South Deep Mines	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Simmer and Jack	Gauteng	Yes	In process
New Vaal Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Sigma Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process
New Klienfontein	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Impala Platinum	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Rand Uranium	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Mintails SA (Pty) Ltd	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Harmony Gold	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Anglo Ashanti	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Gold Fields- Driefontein	Gauteng	Yes	In process
DRD Gold	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Sasol Mining	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Harmony Gold	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Golfview	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Mooiplaats Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Imbabala Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Thutsi Colliery	Gauteng	No	Pre-application process
Vunene Colliery	Gauteng	No	Pre-application process
Umlabu Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Central Rand Gold	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Knights Gold	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Glen Douglas	Gauteng	Yes	In process
Lieliefontain Colliery	Gauteng	Yes	In process

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TABLE 3

NAME OF MINING COMPANY	LOCATION OF MINE	WATER LICENCE APPLIED FOR (YES/NO)	STATUS
Droogvallei Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Delmas Coal/Kuyasa Coal	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Umcebo MiddelKraal Colliery	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Xstrata Tselentis	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
TGME Pilgrim's Rest	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Samancor:Eastern Chrome Mines	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued.
Krugerspost Andalusite Mine	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Havercroft Andalusite Mine	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued
Xstrata Alloys Helena Project	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued.
Mecklenburg Chrome Mine	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued.
Xstrata Alloys Lydenburg Works	Mpumalanga	Yes	Licence Issued.
Full Swing Mine	Northern Cape	Yes	Licence Issued.
Grootgeluk Mine	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued.
Benstone Gold Mine	Gauteng	Yes	Licence Issued.
ERGO	Gauteng	Yes	Licence Issued.
Full Swing Mine	Northern Cape	Yes	Licence Issued.
Grootgeluk Mine	Limpopo	Yes	Licence Issued.

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