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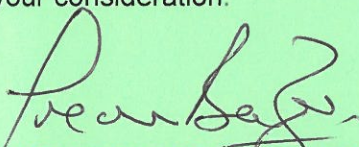
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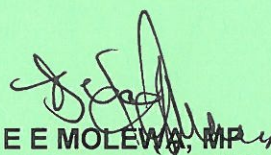
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 752 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Dr H C van Schalkwyk (DA); is attached for your consideration.


ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 5/04/2011

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED


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

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 752

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752. Dr H C van Schalkwyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) With reference to a certain report (details furnished), how much brine, which is a by-product of short term treatment, is envisaged will be collected from the daily treatment of water in the (a) Western, (b) Eastern and (c) Central basins;
- (2) (a) where will the brine be stored and (b) what will be the cost of this storage;
- (3) (a) what is the expected chemical content of this brine and (b) what will be the inherent risks of this brine be?

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REPLY:

- (1) The engineering solution that is being prepared for implementation addresses the recommendations from the report by the team of experts which include pumping, neutralisations and the disposal of sludge. The full details of the engineering solutions are not yet available for circulation.
- (2) The storing and cost details will form part of the engineering solution, currently being developed.
- (3) Refer to (1).

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