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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 2407 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above question asked by Ms B D Ferguson (Cope) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

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

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2407. Ms B D Ferguson (Cope) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

Whether she was informed of the plight of the Bushbuckridge community's lack of access to water supply from the nearby Inyaka Dam; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

The Department is aware of the plight of the Bushbuckridge community's lack of access to water supply from the Inyaka Dam and the details can be summarised as follows:

- The current total population for the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality is estimated at approximately 800 000 people.
- Phase 1 of the Inyaka Water Treatment Works with 50 Ml/day is currently serving in the order of 272 000 people. On completion of Phase 2 (early 2013), and connecting bulk pipelines, another 50 Ml/day module will serve just more than 344 000 additional people.
- Hoxani Water Treatment Works in the south of the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality is currently supplying nearly 150 000 people. The balance of the population (34 000) will also receive water from the Hoxani Water Treatment Works towards the middle of 2013 on completion of bulk supply lines to the various villages.
- In the meantime, the villages within the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality not receiving water from the Inyaka and Hoxani Water Treatment Works are supplied from smaller water treatment works (Thulamahashe, Acornhoek, Edinburgh, Thorndale, Marite and Kork) and boreholes.

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