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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 3329 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 05/12/2012



DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/~~AMENDED~~

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

DATE: 2012/12/13

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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3329. Mr G R Morgan (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) How (a) much did each water board owe (i) the Department of Water Affairs and/or (ii) any specified water service provider for water purchases as at the latest date for which information is available and (b) are the figures broken down according to (aa) current debt and (bb) debt in arrears;
- (2) what steps are being taken by her department to ensure that water boards that have debt in arrears pay their debts?

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REPLY:

- (1) Refer to **Annexure A** for a comprehensive response to outstanding debt.
- (2) The Department is currently in the process of reconciling accounts of all major customers and has implemented a special project to address the collection of outstanding debt. The upgrade of the SAP system will assist in the automated reconciliation of accounts as well as provide a platform for improved integration of IT Systems to improve the accuracy and efficiency of the billing system. Meetings with the CEO's of the Water Boards to discuss matters in dispute and set terms of reference for the payment of outstanding debt is also underway.

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Water Boards Debtors Age Analysis As At 31 October 2012										
Customer Name	Total	30 Days	31 to 60 Days	61 to 90 Days	91 To 120 Days	121 To 150 Days	151 Days +			
RAND WATER	593 884 463.86	289 189 331.36	304 695 132.50	-	-	-	-			
SEDIBENG WATER	407 833 114.31	20 829 540.16	2 975 316.41	535 376.08	9 426 667.57	9 204 806.98	364 861 407.11			
BOTSEHO WATER	185 897 453.28	6 759 600.35	1 571 086.10	4 046 948.00	3 380 693.77	2 596 978.12	167 542 146.94			
AMATOLA WATER BOARD	122 598 022.86	10 827 118.80	-9 834.28	-45 584.82	-39 270.04	2 183 329.38	109 682 263.82			
UMGENI WATER	100 480 762.71	27 561 744.24	14 874 140.15	16 170 109.21	-84 286.36	-26 804 886.43	68 763 941.90			
LEPELLE NORTHERN WATER	60 067 928.34	5 710 519.13	-	0.01	-	-	54 357 409.20			
BUSHBUCKRIDGE WATER	32 374 588.12	131 853.54	-321 907.74	333 967.71	267 983.50	668 532.67	31 294 158.44			
MHLATHUZE WATER	26 196 573.00	17 027 126.88	3 780 770.61	3 823 324.26	3 800 163.76	-7 156 132.60	4 921 320.09			
BLOEM WATER	17 552 132.34	2 550 794.48	-	-9 277.70	9 810.60	-4 810 307.81	19 811 112.77			
MAGALIES WATER	16 444 973.42	11 429 251.51	-413 117.72	436 966.52	11 924.40	11 825.32	4 968 123.39			
PELLA DRIFT WATER BOARD	1 948 997.78	202 406.79	95 450.65	91 175.40	-6 142.76	103 582.77	1 462 524.93			
OVERBERG WATER	225 236.93	52 327.83	25 886.04	26 956.48	55 780.84	-287 396.74	351 682.48			
Grand Total	1 565 504 246.95	392 271 615.07	327 272 922.72	25 409 961.15	16 823 325.28	-24 289 668.34	828 016 091.07			