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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 958 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above question asked by Mrs M Wenger (DA) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE: 12/06/2013

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

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

DATE: 2013/06/24

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958. Mrs M Wenger (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:

- (1) Since 1 January 2011, how many applications under the Promotion of Access to Information Act, Act 2 of 2000, were received by (a) her departments and (b) entities reporting to her, and in each case, how many were (i) granted, (ii) refused and (iii) deemed refused under section 27;
- (2) since 1 January 2011, how many internal appeals under the Act were received by (a) her departments and (b) entities reporting to her, and in each case, how many were (i) granted, (ii) refused and (iii) deemed refused under section 77(7);
- (3) who is the information officer for (a) her departments and (b) each entity reporting to her, and in each case, what are the contact details of the officer?
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REPLY:

The Department of Water Affairs (DWA)-

- (1) (a) Since January 2011, DWA has received 15 requests for access to records.
 - (i) 9 requests were granted.
 - (ii) 2 requests were refused in terms of section 34(1) and section 38 of the Act respectively.
 - (iii) No deemed refusal.

The Water Research Commission (WRC)

- (b) Since January 2011, the WRC only received 1 request for access of records.
 - (i) No request was granted.
 - (ii) The above request was refused in terms of section 37 (b) of the Act.
 - (iii) No deemed refusal.



Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA)

(b) Since January 2011, TCTA received 2 requests for access of records.

(i) 1 request was granted.

(ii) No request was refused.

(iii) 1 deemed refusal. However, the requester and TCTA have an agreement in regard to time frames within which TCTA should respond to the request.

(2) **DWA -**

(a) Since January 2011, DWA has received only one appeal.

(i) DWA is busy finalizing the appeal.

(ii) Not applicable

(iii) Not applicable

WRC -

(b) Since January 2011, WRC has not received any appeals.

(i) Not applicable.

(ii) Not applicable.

(iii) Not applicable.

TCTA -

(b) Since January 2011, TCTA received no appeals.

(i) Not applicable.

(ii) Not applicable.

(iii) Not applicable.

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