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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1727 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Mrs Z B N Balindlela (DA) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE: 29/09/2014

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 01.10.14

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1727. Mrs Z B N Balindlela (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (1) Is the Brakfontein mine near Dundee in KwaZulu-Natal operational; if not, why not; if so,
- (2) whether the mine can be operational without a water licence; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

- (1) No, the Department is not aware of any mine by the name of Brakfontein Mine near the Dundee area.
- (2) No, a mine is not allowed to use water without a valid water use licence issued in terms of the National Water Act, 1998. Any mine that commences with the use of water prior to the issuance of a water use licence is considered unlawful.

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