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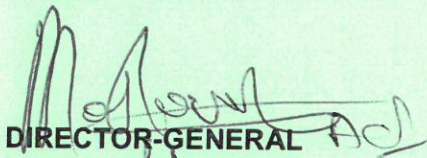
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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 2315 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Mr A M Mpontshane (IFP) is attached for your consideration.


DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 20/11/14

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED



MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 24.11.14

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 2315

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2315. Mr A M Mpontshane (IFP) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

In view of a question asked during a presentation by her department to the Portfolio Committee on Water and Sanitation on 27 August 2014, about pipes that were allegedly lying in the veld near Jozini and the response by the Acting Director-General of her department that such pipes would be used for water reticulation, have these pipes been used for the stated purpose; if not, (a) what factors have contributed to the delay in their usage and (b) what steps are being taken to deal with these factors?

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REPLY:

In response to the question by the Member during the presentation by the Department to the Portfolio Committee on Water and Sanitation on the 27 August 2014 the Acting Director-General responded as follows:

The pipes that were reported in the Sunday Times of 17 August 2014 were not purchased with funding from, or administered by the Department of Water and Sanitation.

It has been reported that the pipes were purchased by the Umkhanyakude District Municipality utilising Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG) funding over which the Department does not conduct oversight as this is a provincial matter. Refer to **Annexure A** for the responses provided to the committee by the Department on the matter.

I therefore recommend that you refer this question to the Ministry of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (Cogta) who would be in a better position to respond to the purchased pipes and the plans thereof.

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