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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION ★394 FOR ORAL REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Mr L J Basson (DA) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

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★394. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

Whether any South African mines operated without valid wateruse licences on 1 November 2014; if so, (a) how many and (b) which mines?

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REPLY:

- (a) Ninety Eight (98) mines were identified as operating without water use authorisation. Of the 98 mines operating without licenses:
 - 40 had applied for applications.
 - 58 were operating without licenses and had not applied for authorisation.

My department is dealing with unauthorised water use by mining operations through issuing of directives as defined in Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998).

(b) The actual information cannot be furnished because it is sub-judice.

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