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**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 2066 FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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



**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

**DATE:** 10 June 2015

**DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED**

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

**DATE:** 20.06.15

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 2066

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(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 17)

**2066. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (1) What is the total value of the Mzimvubu Water Project in the Eastern Cape;
- (2) was the contract for the design and construction supervision of the project awarded on the basis of a competitive bid process; if not, why not; if so, (a) when was the tender (i) advertised and (ii) awarded, (b) what was the tender number and (c) how many bids were received;
- (3) does the appointed contractor (name furnished) have any experience in running a major dam and bulk water distribution system; if not, why was this company appointed; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

- (1) The total value of the uMzimvubu Water Project is estimated to be R12.5 billion.
- (2) The contract for the design and construction supervision was awarded through the panel of Professional Services Providers (PSPs) that was created by the Department in 2013 under Contract WP0485-WTE, which followed a competitive bidding process.
  - (2)(a) The bid was advertised from 29 June to 4 October 2012 and awarded on 25 April 2013.
  - (2)(b) The tender number was WP0485-WTE.
  - (2)(c) Two hundred and eleven (211) bids were received.
- (3) The contractor has not been appointed for the project.

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