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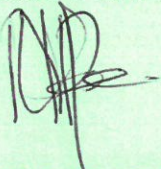
**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1693 FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms T E Baker (DA) is attached for your consideration.

  
**ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

DATE: 07/09/2016

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED



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

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FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 1693

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**1693. Ms T E Baker (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

How many mining companies in Mpumalanga were issued with water rights licences (a) in the 2012-13 financial year and (b) since 1 April 2016, in each case indicating the (i) names, (ii) locations, (iii) products being mined at each of the specified companies, (iv) the volume of water approved and (v) source of abstraction of the water?

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**REPLY:**

- (1) A total of 20 mining companies were issued with water use licenses in the 2012-13 financial year. Names, locations, products being mined, volume of water approved and the source of abstraction appear in Table 1:

Table 1: Details of mining companies issued with water use licenses, 2012-13, Mpumalanga

No	Name	Type of product	Property details	Province	Volume of water	Source of Abstraction
1	Total Coal SA-Forzando North	Coal	Portion 9, 24, and 10 of the farm Weltervreden 193 IS	Mpumalanga	237 600m <sup>3/a</sup>	groundwater
2	Xstrata - Platinum Flotation - Thorncliffe and Mototolo	Platinum	Thorncliffe 374 KT, Grooteboom 373 KT and Mototolo mine	Mpumalanga	85 775 m <sup>3/a</sup>	groundwater
3	African Exploration Mining and Finance Corporation: Vlakfontein Mine	Coal	Ptn 3 Vlakfontein 569 JR	Mpumalanga	N/A	N/A
4	Maphocs Mine	Coal	Mapochsgronde 500 JS; Ptn 0 Zwartkop 142 JS	Mpumalanga	341 676m <sup>3/a</sup>	groundwater
5	Universal Coal and Energy (Pty) Ltd - Kangala Coal Mining	Coal	Wolvenfontein 244 IR ptn 1&2	Mpumalanga	384 060m <sup>3/a</sup>	groundwater
6	HCI Khusela Coal (Pty) Ltd - Mbali Colliery	Coal	Ptn 16, 17 Klippoortjie 32 IS	Mpumalanga	477 597m <sup>3/a</sup>	groundwater

7	Corridor Mining	Coal	Ptn 0 Zwartkoppies 413 KS; Ptn 0 Waterkop 113 KT	Mpumalanga	8 820m <sup>3</sup> /a	Borehole
8	Stuart Coal (Pty) Ltd	Coal	Ptn 9 & 10 of farm Weltevren 227 IR	Mpumalanga	15 000m <sup>3</sup> /a	Borehole
9	Muhanga Mine: Emmerentia	Coal	Ptn 13 & 19 of farm Kafferstad 195	Mpumalanga	N/A	N/A
10	Sudor Coal - Elandsfontein	Coal	Elandsfontein 75 IS Portions. 4, 7 & 8	Mpumalanga	1 320m <sup>3</sup> /a	Borehole
11	Shanduka Coal (Pty) Ltd: MTC extension	Coal	Elandspruit 291 JS 14	Mpumalanga	1 801 825 m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
12	Umcebo Mining: Kleinfontein	Coal	Kleinleeuwfontein 563 IS	Mpumalanga	1 200 m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
13	Umcebo: Umsimbithi Wonderboom Mine	Coal	Ptn 14 farm klippan 452 JS, Ptn 2,3,6,12, 15, 19, 21,22,23,25 farm wonderfontein 428 JS	Mpumalanga	2 760 600m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
14	Wildfontein Colliery	Coal	Wildfontein 420 JS	Mpumalanga	1 584m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
15	Shanduka Coal: Graspan Colliery	Coal	Rietfontein 286 JS, RE of Ptn	Mpumalanga	1 033 315m <sup>3</sup> /a; 250 521m <sup>3</sup>	groundwater
16	Inkomati Anthracite Mine (Pty) Ltd	Anthrasite	Wildebeest 494 JU	Mpumalanga	125 420m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
17	Xstrata Coal SA Tweefontein Complex: Optimisation Project	Coal	Tweefontein 13IS	Mpumalanga	4 354 815m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
18	Muhanga Mine: Op Goedehoop Mine	Coal	Opgoedehoop 205 IS	Mpumalanga	16 800 m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
19	Elitheni Coal (Pty) Ltd	Coal	Machubeni 3 Allotment Area	Mpumalanga	276 000m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater
20	Umnotho Wesizwe Resources (Pty) Ltd - Mooihoek Chrome Mine	Chrome	Mooihoek 255 KT 1	Mpumalanga	300m <sup>3</sup> /a	groundwater

- (2) A total of 22 mining companies were issued with water use licenses since 01 April 2016. Names, locations, products being mined, volume of water approved and the source of abstraction appear in Table 2:

Table 2: Details of mining companies issued with water use licenses since 01 April 2016, Mpumalanga

Number	Name	Product	Property details	Province	Volume	Source of Abstraction
1	Vergenoeg Mining Company (Pty) Ltd	Coal	Portion 4 of the farm Kromdraai 209 JR	Mpumalanga	255 000 m3/a	Surface water: Rust De Winter Dam
2	Delf Sand (Pty) Ltd: Cullinan	Sand	Brandbach JR , Portion 63 & 67	Mpumalanga	214 620 m3/a	Groundwater
3	Umzobanzi Coal and Energy cc: Schoongezicht coal	Coal	Schoongezicht, 308 JS, Portion 6.	Mpumalanga	N/A	N/A
4	Msobo Coal (Pty) Ltd: Veerdepan Mine	Coal	Verkeerdepan 50 IT	Mpumalanga	10 368 m3/a	Groundwater
5	Just Coal (Pty) Ltd: Bankfontein Colliery & Beneficiation Plant	Coal	Bankfontein 375 JS, portion 48	Mpumalanga	24 090 m3/a	Groundwater
6	Wescoal Mining (Pty) Ltd: Khanyisa Colliery	Coal	Portion 106 of the farm Heuvelfontein 215 IR	Mpumalanga	36 000 m3/a	Groundwater
7	Tubatse Chrome (Pty) Ltd	Chrome	Portion 6 of Goudmyn 337 KT	Mpumalanga	508 919 m3/a	Groundwater
8	Pembani Coal Caroline (Pty) Ltd	Coal	Re Kwaggafontein 8 IT	Mpumalanga	1 944 363 m3/a	Groundwater

9	Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd: Merafe Venture Operations- Lydenburg Smelter	Coal	Plot 2541 of Lydenburg Extension 10	Mpumalanga	N/A	N/A
10	Eastside Coal Company (Pty) Ltd- Eastside Colliery	Coal	Paardeplaats 12 IT, the Remaining extent of Portion 1 & Haarlem 39 IT, Portion 1.	Mpumalanga	586 522 m3/a	Groundwater
11	Freddies Minerals (Pty) Ltd	Coal	Portion 2 of the farm Morelag 5 KU	Mpumalanga	7 300 m3/a	Groundwater
12	Dialstat Trading 115 (Pty) Ltd: Water Pipeline from Lakeside to Argent Colliery	Coal	Welgelegen 211 IR portion 9 & 2	Mpumalanga	600 000 m3/a	Surface water, open void
13	Canyon Springs investments 82 (Pty) Ltd: Canyon Springs Coal Mine	Coal	Roodekoppies 167 JR, Portion 3, 4 and RE	Mpumalanga	641 800 m3/a	Groundwater
14	Universal Coal Development- Kangala Colliery	Coal	Portion 1 RE of the portion 2 of the farm Wolffontein 244 IR	Mpumalanga	246 866.25 m3/a	Groundwater
15	Anglo Operations (Pty) Ltd: Goedehoop Colliery- Dump expansion and Briquetting plant	Coal	Portion 12, 17, 18 and 41 Koorfontein 27 IS	Mpumalanga	N/A	N/A
16	Omaruru Minerals (Pty) Ltd: Elandshoogte Gold Mine	Gold	Portion 3 of the farm Elandshoogte 270 JT	Mpumalanga	72 000 m3/a	Groundwater

17	Liquid Mist Trading (Pty) Ltd: Beneficiation Plant	Coal	Portion 137 of the farm Blesboklaagte 296 JS	Mpumalanga	19 710 m3/a	Groundwater
18	Bokoni Platinum Mine: Klipfontein Section	Platinum	Klipfontein 465 KS	Mpumalanga	66 792 m3/a	Groundwater
19	Barberton Mines (Pty) Ltd: Fairview Mine	Coal	Remaining extent of Fairview 708 JU	Mpumalanga	2 544 964 m3/a	Groundwater
20	Perisat Investments (Pty) Ltd: Rirhandzu Colliery	Coal	Vlakvarkfontein 213 IR Portion 4, 14 & 15	Mpumalanga	4 380 m3/a	Groundwater
21	Corridor Mining Resources: Twyfelaar section	Coal	Twyfelaar 119 TKT	Mpumalanga	4 800m3/a	Groundwater
22	Optimum Coal Mine (Pty) Ltd: Schoonoord Operations	Coal	Brakpan 163 IS and Schoonoord 164 IS	Mpumalanga	520 000 m3/a	Groundwater

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