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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 2700 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms M S Khawula (EFF) is attached for your consideration.

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DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 15/11/2018

NATIONALASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 2700

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2700. Ms M S Khawula (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

How many litres of water were lost through leaks (a) nationally and (b) in each (i) province and (ii) municipality in the 2017-18 financial year?

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THE MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The Department does not have the water loss data for the 2017-2018 Financial Year at the moment because the information is drawn based on the municipal financial year. The last comprehensive analysis on water loss and non-revenue water (NRW) in South Africa (inclusive of Provincial and Water Services Authorities) was based on the 2016-17 Financial Year.

For the development of the annual municipal water balance, the Department is reliant on water use and water loss information submitted by the Water Services Authorities, which requires both technical and financial inputs. The Department gives allowance of two months after the end of the municipal financial year for the municipalities to do financial corrections before starting of collecting the water balances to enable the national analysis and reporting.

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