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## MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION ★343 FOR ORAL REPLY

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

ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 20/11/2018

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 08/12/2018

#### **NATIONALASSEMBLY**

## **FOR ORAL REPLY**

## QUESTION NO ★343

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

Whether, since his reply to oral question 77 on 29 August 2018, his department has issued any more directives and/or notices to the Emfuleni Local Municipality to stop pollution into the Vaal River; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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## THE MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The Department has issued two notices and one directive to Emfuleni Local Municipality since 29 August 2018 to date.

DATE	NATURE	OFFENCE	MUNICIPAL RESPONSE	WAY FORWARD
20/09/2018	Notice	Discharge of raw sewage from Boitumelo Pump Station into Rietspruit River.  Discharge of raw sewage from Pump Stations Number 5, 9 and 29 into Klip River and Vaal River respectively.  Overflow of raw sewage from manhole into Klip River near Golf Estate.  Overflow of raw sewage from manhole into storm water channel at Sharpeville Cemetery, which discharges water into the Vaal River.	Emfuleni Local Municipality (ELM) undertook to address the problems of raw sewage polluting the water resources.	Further inspection revealed that raw sewage was still polluting the water resources. Letter to reject ELM response was forwarded on 05/11/2018. A directive will subsequently be issued.
20/09/2018	Directive	Spillages of raw sewage from Pump Stations Evaton Gardens, Zone 20 and Pump Stations 08 and 12.	The ELM responded by saying the problem continues.	The matter requires enforcement where a criminal case should be opened.  My Department has made budget available to support ELM in addressing water pollution.
05/11/2018	Notice	Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Sharpeville, Seeiso Street behind Pump Station 4 into Leeuwkuil Pan. Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Boipatong, Sekati Street near Lebogang Secondary	Awaiting response from ELM	Awaiting response from ELM

DATE N	ATURE	OFFENCE	MUNICIPAL RESPONSE	WAY FORWARD
DATE N		Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Boipatong, Sekati Street near Lebogang Secondary School into an unknown stream, which is a tributary of the Vaal River.  Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Evaton West, near Evaton Gardens Pump Station into Rietspruit River.  Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Boitumelo, Ace Motaung Street into the Rietspruit River.  Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Boitumelo, Elija Street into the Riespruit River.  Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Boitumelo, Elija Street into the Riespruit River.  Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Evaton, Hamilton Street into unknown stream, which is a tributary of the Riestpruit River Raw sewage overflow from manhole at Evaton Small Farms		WAY FORWARD
		near Selbourne Road into the Rietspruit River. Raw sewage overflow from manhole and leakage from pipe at Sebokeng, Enoch Sontonga Street		
		into the Rietspruit River via storm water channel.		

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