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## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

**QUESTION NO 434** 

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## 434. Ms S A Luthuli (KwaZulu-Natal: EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What assistance has been provided to the eThekwini community following the heavy rains where roads were damaged as a result of bursting water pipes which left many areas without water while several areas around Ntunzuma and KwaMashu have been without water for weeks?

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## MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The recent heavy rains did not affect water supply to the residents of eThekwini except for consumers supplied from the Water Treatment Works in Morningside. A burst pipe undermined the stability of the road and created sink holes which the eThekwini City's technical personnel immediately attended to and restored supply within 24 hours. Rehabilitation works are in progress to restore the road to its original design. Whilst this is underway, the water supply is stable.

Intermittent water supply in Ntuzuma is due to a recently repaired pumpstation that had burnt down following an electrical fault. The system has not yet stabilised.

The KwaMashu area has not experienced any prolonged outages or intermittent water supply and any interruptions in supply in this area are on a case-by-case basis due to pipe bursts or other isolated problems. Such faults should be reported to the eThekwini's customer services for investigation and resolution.

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DR SEAN PHILLIPS

DIRECTOR-GENERAL DATE: 5 June 2023

DRAFT REPLY: APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED/ AMENDED

MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

20/06/23

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