



DEPARTMENT: WATER AFFAIRS
AMATOLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM RECONCILIATION STRATEGY

MINUTES OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUP
MEETING NO.8 HELD ON 3rd NOVEMBER 2010 AT DWA OFFICES, EAST LONDON

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1.	WELCOME IT welcomed all present to the meeting.					
2.	ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES					
2.1	Attendance:					
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3.	ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA The draft agenda presented to the meeting was accepted without changes.					
4.	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING					
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to Office of the Premier/Provincial Government representation on the ASSSC (item 4.2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All aspects were addressed during the ASSSC meeting of 5 October 2010, where it was agreed that DWA:HO and DWA:RO would meet to formalise an approach to getting the 3 No. EC Reconciliation Strategies onto the relevant Provincial Government forums. ➤ IT stated that the meeting/discussions with DWA:RO had not transpired as yet. • Wriggleswade Water Use Registration (item 5.1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ WK stated that Mr. Keke had confirmed at the ASSSC meeting of 5 October 2010 that DWA:RO had corrected the use registered for ADM on the Wriggleswade Dam and had notified ADM accordingly. ➤ No formal license application has been received by ADM as yet. 					IT



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5.	RE-USE	
5.1	BCM Re-Use Strategy WK confirmed that a meeting had been held with BCM to assist in formalising the scope of work required for the Strategy. WK to reduce the outcomes to writing and forward to BCM.	WK
5.2	Re-Use Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WK confirmed that the report on the “Potential of Re-use to Augment Supplies for the AWSS” was presented at the ASSSC meeting of 5 October 2010 and that the recommendations contained therein had been adopted by the ASSSC. • WK also confirmed that no comments had been received to date but that comments were envisaged from BCM. <p>Following discussions it was agreed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Status Report of 2010 and the Re-Use Report should be finalised ASAP and that they should be included with the DWA letter to BCM highlighting the importance of WC/WDM and Re-Use for reconciliation going forward. • WK to draft the letter from DWA to BCM (Mayor, Municipal Manager and General Manager) highlighting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The importance of WC/WDM to ensure secured water supplies for the region going forward. ➢ The importance of BCM adopting a WC/WDM Strategy and securing budget streams for WC/WDM going forward. ➢ That the planning for future surface water schemes would only be based on BCM achieving significant savings through WC/WDM. ➢ The importance of BCM developing a Re-Use Strategy and identify options for consideration for implementation. • WK forward the letter and report to DWA for final editing and forwarding onto BCM. 	WK WK WK
6.	FRAMEWORK FOR FINALISING THE EWRs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WS presented a report on the requirements to formalise the EWR. • During the discussions it was stated that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The reserves for the upper reaches of the System have been signed off by DWA based on the preliminary river classifications. ➢ This had not been done for the Buffalo below Bridledrift due to a lack of consensus on the required river classification for this reach of the river. ➢ The process for finalising River Classifications is being piloted by others for other systems, and that the classification of the Amatole System Rivers would only commence after the above processes has been completed and protocols formalised. ➢ There is a need to review/determine the estuarine water requirements for the Nahoon River. • Following discussions it was agreed that WS would develop the framework based on the above and include in the framework, recommendations for proceeding in determining the Nahoon estuarine water requirements as well as the classification for the reach of the Buffalo River below Bridgedrift Dam. 	WS



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<p>7.</p>	<p>WATER QUALITY REPORTING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WS presented a framework for water quality reporting, which entails: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Summarised reports on the level of compliance of licensed effluent dischargers. ➢ Summarised reports on other sources of pollution. ➢ Summarised reports raw water quality (key elements only) at the inlets to the respective water treatment plants in the System. • Following discussion s it was agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The framework is acceptable in principle ➢ ASSOCC are required to undertake the above and to address water quality internally. ➢ ASSOCC (AL) are required to present that above reports a future ASSSC meetings. • WS to convene a meeting between DWA:RO/BCM/AW/ADM to facilitate the implementation of the above. 	<p>ASSOCC AL WS</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>COMMUNICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LF presented the first draft of the press release and news letter. • Following discussions it was agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ The emphasis needs to be aligned with the change in emphasis of the Status Report. ➢ The revised version needs to be made available to IT by Tuesday 9 November 2010. ➢ WK/LF to meet to finalise the draft. • WK/LF to meet to review the database for the circulation of the news letter. • IT to forward the DWA “glossy” to WK for circulation with News letter No. 2 	<p>LF LF LF/WK LF/WK IT</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>SURFACE WATER OPTIONS SCREENING WORKSHOP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT proposed that the workshop be postponed due to institutional constraints within DWA:OA, as well as to be in line with the change in emphasis of the Strategy. • Following discussion it was agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ There is a need to give DWA:OA a list of options to study in due course; ➢ There is a need to conduct the screening workshop, but a decision to proceed to pre-feasibility studies could be delayed. ➢ The workshop should only be held in June or July of 2011 ➢ WK to draw-up a framework for the workshop, including list of recommended participants, for consideration at the next ASATSG meeting. 	<p>WK</p>



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10. REPORTS		
10.1 Kei Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Following discussions it was agreed, given that the proposed regional Kei-Road WTP would not automatically result in an increased area of supply outside of the AWSs, that there was no need to continue with this report at present.• A supply to the Great Kei area is already a scenario in the Reconciliation Planning.• Further studies/evaluations would only be undertaken should a formal license application be received from ADM.	
10.2 Keiskamma Report	WK confirmed that meetings had been held with AW and EC-DOA and that the necessary base information had been collected. This now needs to be reduced to a report for circulation.	WK
11. PROJECT MANAGEMENT	No matters were raised for discussion.	
12. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS		
12.1 ASATSG Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IT to confirm	IT
12.2 ASSSC Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 19 April 2011• October 2011 T.B.A.	
13. CLOSURE	IT thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.	



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