APPENDIX L

LETTER FROM UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

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ATTENTION MS. NTOKOZO SOSIBO

DISPOSAL OF WATER TREATMENT SLUDGE FROM THE PLANNED UMKHOMAZI WATER TREATMENT WORKS TO THE PROPOSED UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT REGIONAL LANDFILL SITE.

Dear Madam

The uMgungundlovu District Municipality (uMDM) acknowledges the request made by uMgeni Water (UW) for the uMDM to advice on the viability of UW disposing of water treatment sludge from the planned uMkhomazi Water Treatment Plant to the planned uMDM regional landfill site. The uMDM will commence with the environmental authorization (EA) process for the

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establishment of a regional landfill site in 2016. The EA and waste management license process for any landfill site is both complex and it is uncertain whether the regulatory authority will find the proposed site acceptable.

The classification and size of the planned landfill site can accommodate the volumes of sludge anticipated to be generated by the uMkhomazi Water Treatment Plant to be developed in the Thornville / Manderston area. If the EA process is successful and a waste management license is approved for the proposed landfill site the uMDM anticipates being able to establish the landfill site in terms of a best case scenario by 2024. Given the strategic importance of obtaining water from the uMkhomazi River to supplement supply to the water stressed uMngeni catchment the uMDM will endeavor to fully support UW with their waste disposal needs should approval be obtained for the new regional landfill site.

Yours sincerely

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