

# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## MINISTER MOKONYANE HOSTS A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON AMD

### 28 November 2014

The minister of Water and Sanitation, Ms Nomvula Mokonyane will this morning host a roundtable discussion on the Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) challenges the country faces. As South Africa is a developing country with mining playing a critical role in its economic development and sustainability, the unintended consequences resulting from AMD decant, and their subsequent implications of current and future challenges, warrant sustainable environmental management interventions.

Minister Mokonyane supported by some of the senior managers of the DWS will therefore engage the government agency tasked with the responsibility for immediate and short-term resolutions to the challenge, namely the Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA) on progress underway, as well as engage other experts on the latest and possible technological advances that could assist the country in addressing this challenge.

The details of the roundtable meeting are as follows:

#### Date: 28 November 2014

#### Venue: The Gautrain Radisson Hotel, Sandton

#### Time: 10h00 – 15h00

The Minister will then engage media on what the outcomes of the discussions entail and also indicate the way forward from the discussions.

Media are invited as follows:

Date: 28 November 2014

Venue: The Gautrain Radisson Hotel, Sandton

Time: 12h30 for a media briefing

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