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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS

No. 330

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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INKOMATI-USUTHU CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AGENCY THROUGH EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY AND AREA OF OPERATION OF THE INKOMATI CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AGENCY IN TERMS OF SECTION 78(4) OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998)

I, Bomo Edna Edith Molewa, Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, hereby, in terms of section 78(3) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No 36 of 1998), declare that -

- a) the Inkomati-Usuthu catchment management agency is established through extending the boundary and area of operation of the Inkomati catchment management agency;
- b) that the catchment management agency name is the Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Agency;
- c) the area of operation of the Inkomati-Usuthu catchment management agency includes the previous Inkomati water management area (WMA) and Usuthu catchment from the previous Usuthu-Mhlatuze WMA. The Inkomati-Usuthu CMA is situated in Mpumalanga province and in Inkomati-Usuthu WMA and includes all properties in respect of which and person is entitled to use water by virtue of entitlements in terms of section 22(1) of the Act from-
 - (i) the Inkomati-Usuthu Water Management Area number 3 as described in the National Water Resource Strategy² as published on the 16 August 2013 in Government gazette No 36736 Notice no 845
 - (ii) any other water resources situated outside the area described in paragraph (c)(i) above, which water resources and accompanying area, the Department of Water Affairs or the responsible authority may require the Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Agency to control,
- d) the business case of the Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Agency has been approved;
- e) all initial, inherit and delegated functions performed in the Inkomati CMA will be performed in the Inkomati-Usuthu CMA.
- f) water resource management charge will be billed by the Inkomati-Usuthu CMA in accordance with Section 57(2) of the National Water Act.
- g) all staff employed in the Inkomati CMA will be transferred as a going concern to the Inkomati-Usuthu CMA according to section 89(1)(2).
- h) section 90(1)(c) of the National Water Act empowers the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs to make regulations determining the basis and extent of

remuneration and payment of expenses of members of the governing board of Catchment Management Agencies. A fixed annual fee not exceeding R 1 million must be reserved by the Catchment Management Agency to cover all effort expended by the governing board members in executing their duties as board members, including participation in committee structures of the governing board until a remuneration policy is approved by the Minister.



MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

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