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## **REQUEST TO REGISTER A WATER USE**

In terms of regulation 3(b) of Regulation 1352 dated 12 November 1999 a person who uses water as contemplated in section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) must, when called upon by the responsible authority to do so, register the water use.

I, Marthinus Johannes le Roux in my capacity as Regional Director: Free State, duly delegated by the Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry hereby request that all persons who use water as set out below must register their water use.

### **1. WATER USE**

The following water uses in terms of section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 must be registered: -

- taking water from a water resource
- storing water
- impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
- engaging in a stream flow reduction activity: (afforestation only, at this stage)
- engaging in a controlled activity: irrigation with waste or water containing waste generated through any industrial activity or by a water works
- discharging waste or water containing waste into a water resource through a pipe, canal, sewer, sea outfall or other conduit
- disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource
- disposing in any manner of water which contains waste from, or which has been heated in, any industrial or power generation process
- altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse
- removing, discharging or disposing of water found underground if it is necessary for the efficient continuation of an activity or for the safety of people
- using water for recreational purposes.

### **2. Areas where General Authorisation No. 1191 dated 8 October 1 999 are applicable-**

The extent of the water use to be registered is

- Storing of more than 10 000 cubic metres of water on any separately registered property or parcel of land.
- Abstracting more than 50 cubic metres from surface water on any given day.
- Abstracting more than 10 cubic metres from groundwater on any given day.

### **Areas where General Authorisation No. 1191 dated 8 October 1999 are not applicable-**

The extent of the water use to be registered is-

- Storing of more than 10 000 cubic metres of water on any separately registered property or parcel of land.
- Abstracting any amount from surface water that is not contemplated a permissible use of water in terms of Schedule 1 of the National Water Act.

- Abstracting more than 10 cubic metres from groundwater on any given day.

### 3. Exclusions

The following water uses are excluded from registering in terms of this Notice-

- Schedule 1 uses in terms of the National Water Act
- water use by members of an Irrigation Board or Water User Association in a distribution system where they are supplied by the Board or Association (The Irrigation Board or Water User Association will be registered as a bulk supplier)
- the taking of water from a bulk supplier or a communal scheme.

### 4. Area of applicability

This Notice is applicable to all water use set out in paragraph 1 above within the Middle Vaal and Upper Orange Water Management Areas.

### 5. Registration Forms

- (1) Only official registration forms may be used. Registration forms are obtainable on written request from.

Regional Director. Free State  
Department of Water Affairs and Forestry  
PO Box 528  
BLOEMFONTEIN  
9300

Contact official: P S van der Walt  
Telephone: (051) 430 3134  
Facsimile: (051) 430 8146

Or

obtainable during working hours of 07:30 - 16:00 from:

Department of Water Affairs and Forestry Sanlam Plaza  
C/o East-Burger and Maitland streets  
BLOEMFONTEIN

Contact official: P S van der Walt

- (2) A water user must submit the completed registration forms to: -

Regional Director: Free State  
Department of Water Affairs and Forestry  
PO Box 528  
BLOEMFONTEIN  
9300

### 6. Time period for registering

Water users must submit their completed registration forms to the address set out above on or before 31 March 2001.

7. **Failure to register**

Any person who fails to comply with this Notice is guilty of an offence.

**EXTENSION OF TIME PERIOD FOR REGISTRATION**

GN 1119 of 10 November 2000 extends the time period to 31 March 2001

MJ le Roux  
REGIONAL DIRECTOR: FREE STATE