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DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION

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INTENTION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF UMGENI WATER TO THE PROPOSED uMNGENIuTHUKELA WATER

I, Mr Senzo Mchunu, in my capacity as Minister of Water and Sanitation, hereby, in terms of Section 28 of the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997), propose the following:

- a) Change the name of Umgeni Water to uMngeni-uThukela Water in terms of Section 28 (1)(b) of the Water Services Act.
- b) Gazette the name change of the geographic area of Umgeni Water so that the former Mhlathuze Water's area of operations in northern KwaZulu-Natal is Incorporated and called "uMngeni-uThukela Water".
- c) That the name change will be done in terms of Section 28 (1) (a) (b) (c) and (d) of the Water Services Act, 1997 which states that: "The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, establish a water board; give it a name or approve a change of its name; determine or change its service area or disestablish it".

I give the reasons for the name change as follows:

I have approved and gazetted the extension of the boundary of Umgeni Water to include Mhlathuze Water to form a single Water Board in KwaZulu-Natal and the transfer of staff, assets and liabilities to Umgeni Water. Hence, Umgeni Water will transform into a new entity servicing the former Mhlathuze Water's area of operations in northern KwaZulu-Natal. Therefore, there is a proposal to change the name of Umgeni Water to uMngeni-uThukela Water.

All interested and affected persons are invited to comment in writing on the name change of Umgeni Water to the proposed uMngeni-uThukela Water for a period of thirty (30) days effective from the date of the publication of the notice, i All such comments must be addressed to:

Department of Water and Sanitation

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MR S MCHUNU, MP

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 25/04/2023