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## DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION

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## INTENTION TO EXTEND THE SERVICE AREA OF RAND WATER TO PROVIDE BULK WATER SERVICES TO THE ENTIRE MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

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) The extension of the service area of Rand Water to provide bulk water services to the entire Mpumalanga Province 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".

Following the working sessions with the Provincial Governments, various Water Services Authorities and Water Boards regarding issues of governance, financial viability, accountability, and broader service delivery issues, a decision was taken to review Water Boards. The review is based on considerations of financial sustainability, servicing areas that are not currently being serviced and is also intended to address institutional confusion caused by having multiple Water Boards servicing the same area.

The business case report will be reviewed and shared with stakeholders on completion. All interested persons and affected parties are invited to comment in writing on the extension of the service area of Rand Water to provide bulk water services to the entire Mpumalanga Province for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this notice. All such comments must be addressed to:

## **Director-General**

**Department of Water and Sanitation** Attention: Mr S Letsholo Waterbron Building 178 Francis Baard Street, Pretoria, 0001 or Private Bag X313, Pretoria, 0001.

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