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DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION

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RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF WATER FOR DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL USE FROM THE ALGOA WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM, IN THE MZIMVUBU-TSITSIKAMMA WATER MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA 7) IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE.

By virtue of the powers vested in me in terms of section 63 of the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998) (the Act) read with section 72 of the Act, I, Margaret-Anne Diedericks, in my capacity as Director-General of the Department of Water and Sanitation:-

- (a) Am of the opinion that a water shortage exists in the Algoa Water Supply System; and
- (b) Consequently direct, in terms of item 6(1)(i) of Schedule 3 of the Act, that, for the period starting from 1 March 2015 until 29 February 2016, or until any further Notice that is published in this regard, : -
 - (i) the taking of water by the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality from all its sources, collectively the Gamtoos River Government Water Scheme (the Kouga Dam and the Gamtoos Canal), the Kromme River Government Water Scheme (the Impofu Dam) and the Churchill Dam, the Lower Sundays River Government Water Scheme (the Nooitgedacht Water Treatment Works), the Groendal Dam, the Uitenhage Springs, the Sand River Dam, the Bulk River Dam and the Upper and the Lower Van Stadens River Dams, be restricted by 15% (i.e. to 85% of the uncurtailed use); and,
 - the taking of water by irrigators for agricultural use from the Kromme River is restricted to 6400 cubic metres/hectare/annum (i.e. to 80% of the uncurtailed allocation); and,

This Notice overrides any other previous authorization on water use issued by the Department relating to the users and infrastructure mentioned in this Notice.

Ms Margaret-Ann Diedricks DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 9/3/15