



RAND WATER

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MEDIA STATEMENT

WATER SUPPLY IN THE MOGALE CITY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

During the night of Saturday, 25 September 2010, City Power exercised a maintenance shut-down. Rand Water's Pumping Station in Roodepoort which pumps water to reservoirs that supply the Mogale City and Roodepoort areas, was affected.

Rand Water utilises electricity to pump water to water reservoirs, and a compromise in electricity supply will have an effect on the water levels in reservoirs.

Rand Water was not informed that that the maintenance shut-down was scheduled.

In the event of scheduled electricity shut-down, Rand Water would ensure that the affected reservoirs are functioning at their maximum capacity.

City Power resumed its electricity supply at 12h00 on Sunday, 26 September 2010.

At 22h00 on Monday, Rand Water's pumping had resumed as per normal. By late last night (Tuesday, 28 September), Rand Water's inspections indicated that the water levels in the reservoirs were being restored – and an improvement in reservoir levels was observed.

Normal water supply to the reservoirs supplying the Mogale City and Roodepoort areas has been restored; however, since some of the suburbs in the area are laid out on high elevations it is likely that that normal water supply in those suburbs will be restored by today.

Rand Water has also dispatched a team of its operations personnel to assist the Mogale City Local Municipality in restoring the water supply to their reticulation network.

Rand Water will be meeting with City Power, to review this incident.

We apologise to all affected communities for this obvious inconvenience.

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