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MEDIA STATEMENT

REDUCTION OF WATER SUPPLY TO THREE MUNICIPALITIES DUE TO NON-PAYMENT

ëRand Water has formally informed three of its municipal customers of its intention to reduce water pressure due to the non-payment for services rendered.

The Emfuleni Local Municipality in Gauteng and two municipalities in Mpumalanga namely the Victor Khanye and the Govan Mbeki Local Municipalities will face these this credit control measures.

The water pressure to the Emfuleni Local Municipality will be reduced by 20-percent. The Municipality includes areas such as Vereeniging, Vanderbijlpark, Evaton and Sebokeng. The arrear amount due to Rand Water by the Emfuleni Local Municipality is R 994 million. The total outstanding amount due by the Emfuleni Local Municipality is R 1.1 billion.

The water pressure to the Victor Khanye Municipality will be reduced by 20-percent. The Municipality includes areas such as Delmas, Botleng, Eloff and Sundra. The arrear amount due to Rand Water by the Victor Khanye Local Municipality is R 185 million. The total amount due by the Victor Khanye Local Municipality is R 194 million.

The water pressure to the Govan Mbeki Local Municipality will be reduced by 20-percent. The Municipality includes areas such as Bethal, Embalenhle, Leandra and Kinross. The arrear amount due to Rand Water by the Govan Mbeki Local Municipality is R 314 million. The total amount due by the Govan Mbeki Local Municipality is R 351 million.

In all three of these matters, the municipalities have failed to honour the agreements made to settle the outstanding amounts due to Rand Water. Rand Water will now implement these credit control measures to compel the Municipalities to meet their obligations to the settle amounts due to for water services rendered.

Rand Water has informed the Minister of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation in writing of its intention to implement the credit control measures, as well as the MEC for Human Settlements, Urban Planning and Co-operative Governance in Gauteng and the MEC for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs in Mpumalanga. The Department of the National Treasury has also been informed.

Rand Water will implement the credit control measures on Monday, 9 November 2020.

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