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Clr Kganaga
Democratic Alliance
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

Dear Councillor Kganaga

## **RESPONSE TO RULE 38 QUESTION. WATER LEAKAGES IN WARD 47**

Your letter dated 05 July 2022, received by e-mail regarding the above-mentioned matter refers.

## Question 1:

Emergency water leaks in ward 47, some leaks are older than 6 months. These leaks have been sent to every team, the GM's, MMC and Acting HOD. My question is when will the leaks be fixed?

## Response:

The Department (Engineering Services) is well informed regarding the current leaks within the Metro and acknowledge the frustrations of the Cllr and communities in this regard.

In February 2020, a specification document was produced by the directorate with the intention of appointing service providers to supply and deliver the required material and fittings. Unfortunately, the Department of National Treasury issued a communique directing that all tenders advertised on or after 16 February be held in abeyance, and further that no new tenders be advertised. This directive ultimately led to the department running out of stock, with the resultant failure to attend to leaks. This directive is an action that is beyond the control of the department.

However, the National Intervention Team, upon noting the challenges, took drastic measures by way of formulating a Deviation Report, from the normal SCM process, dated 14 July 2022, to expedite the required tools and repair fittings. The Municipality therefore commits itself to attending to all leaks reported, promptly, as soon as the Deviation Report process matter is finalized.

Yours faithfully

Tebogo Motlashuping
Acting City Manager
Date: 16 08 2033