



***POTABLE WATER
& SANITATION
IN OUR LIFETIME***

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**THE HOD
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**THE MEC
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**THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS & SANITATION**

**THE NATIONAL MINISTER
DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS & SANITATION**

LECTORI SALUTEM

We, the undersigned residents of Farm 371, Gong Gong, herewith petition our government to address our concerns contained in this document and come up with practical & workable solutions thereto:

We have been spectators far to long and now herewith invoke our right to participate in this democracy in this manner.

Democracy dawned in our country on 27 April 1994 and since then we are still living in the same squalor engineered by the apartheid state. We realise that you are ignorant about our situation mainly due to the lack of care on your part. A caring government would have made sure that a process existed that would address these injustices visited upon us by the apartheid state. You, however, due to your failure in our "duty of care" have spectacularly perpetuated these injustices.

The following are serious concerns in dire need of remedy:

- The DMR issues permits willy-nilly to people who mine in the river, our primary source of water for domestic and other use.
- Mining companies pollute the water, build breakwaters and funny bridges which disturbs the natural flow of the river
- The local municipality, custodians of the farm, does nothing to assist us in addressing this matter. In fact, they are the ones granting permission for all the mining to happen here. The community does not benefit by any stretch of the imagination.
- The custodians of the farm have sunk two boreholes for water in exceptionally close proximity to the cemeteries and we are expected to drink such water. The water from the boreholes starts to reek badly after two days in a

plastic container. We are not sure why this is the case but we are extremely concerned.

- The same custodian does not supply enough fuel for the pumps which results in us having water only three days a week
- During December / January, the community is left without water since the purchasing of diesel for the pumps is a problem
- During these periods we are forced to share the water from the river with our livestock and other wild animals
- We still must dig our pit latrines. (We do not need to spell out the inherent danger to children and the elderly). Most of these latrines are now full and we have the situation where some families are dependent on one toilet.
- All this is exacerbated by our proximity to the municipality, only 13 kilometres away.

We believe that we need not spell out the dangers, inconvenience and desperation we experience daily.

Regards

We trust that our matter will be given due recognition and consideration.

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1	Frances Nero	G162 Gong-Gong	Nero
2	Caron Bosworth	G174 Gong-Gong	Bosworth
3	Wonne Bowers	G.150 " "	Bowers
4	Christo Jh	G 185 Gong-Gong	Jos
5	PERRY DRIFT	G210 GONG GONG	Drift
6	Maggie Keeble	G173 Gong-Gong	M. Keeble
7	Chriszenché Nero	G166 Gong-Gong	Nero
8	Maggie Fembus	G182 Gong-Gong	M. Fembus
9	Maria Oliphant	G158 Gong-Gong	M. Oliphant
10	Wonne Snyders	G170 Gong-Gong	Snyders
11	Levana Hiegen	G175 Gong-Gong	L. Hiegen
12	Siemon Molkgeth	G159 Gong-Gong	S. Molkgeth
13	Wonne Bowers	G.150 Gong-Gong	Bowers
14	Carelina Snyders	G155 "	Snyders
15	Maria Williamson	G176 "	Williamson
16	EDWARD SNYDERS	G154 "	Snyders
17	Angel Snyders	G155 "	Snyders
18	MARTIN MARC	G.179 "	M. MARC
19	Shawn Rynowoldt	G.189 "	Rynowoldt
20	JOHANNES EZEL	G157 "	Ezel
21	PETER DE KLERK	G165 "	De Klerk
22	BRENNAN VAN WYK	G164 "	Van Wyk
23	Cardice van Wyk	G196	Van Wyk
24	ESOPH Seckun	G188 "	Seckun
25	JACO OLIPHANT	G158 "	J. Oliphant
26	Jessica Nero	G166	Nero
27	Wonne van Schalkwyk	G163	V. Schalkwyk
28	ADAM SNYDERS	G170 GONG	Snyders
29	ANNIE SNYDERS	G179 Gong-Gong	A. Snyders
30	Wonne Macdocks	G199 "	Macdocks
31	Maria Daniels	G200 "	Daniels
32	Yvonne / Carl	G138	Yvonne / Carl
33	Fanny Oliphant	G197 Gong-Gong	F. Oliphant
34	Priscilla van Wyk	G196 Gong-Gong	P. van Wyk
35	CECELIA ROBERTS	G194 Gong-Gong	C. Roberts
36	VIOLET NERO	G192 Gong-Gong	Nero
37	Catherine W. Williams	Gong-Gong 184 Gong-Gong	Williams
38	Anna Jh	G195 Gong-Gong	Anna

39	May Sweep	G189	Gong - Gong	M Sweep
40	WILLIAM McAY	G141	Gong - Gong	Mcay
41	PIETER JOB	G183	"	P Job
42	CHRISSE JOB	G183	"	C. Job
43	Vinshano SNYDERS	G138	"	Snyders
44	Leandrie Wiergen	G175	Gong - Gong	Wiergen
45	Kim Williamson	G180	Gong - Gong	Williamson
46	Peggy Tsmail	G180	"	P Tsmail
47	Margaret Daniels	G199	"	M Daniels
48	DEBORAH NERO	G171	Gong - Gong	Nero
49	ELIZABETH SNYDERS	GONG - GONG		Snyders
50	LORETTA KLADECK	GONG - GONG 155		Kladeck
51	Monco King	G156 Gong - Gong		King
52	LOUIS NERO	G195 - Gong - Gong		Nero
53	William Chabalala	Gong - Gong		Chabalala
54	ONIKA SNYDERS	Gong - Gong		Snyders
55	Janet Oliphant	Gong - Gong 198		Oliphant
56	Jakoba mass	G160 Gong - Gong		mass
57	GODFREY DAVIDS	G147 GONG - GONG		DAVIDS
58	Miethe Katz	G144 Gong - Gong		Katz
59	Gertraud Waldeck	G149 G.		Waldeck
60	RENDA Waldeck	G146 Gong - Gong		Waldeck
61	Scenie Waldeck	G149 G		Waldeck
62	Joyce Low	G309		Low
63	Exonne Ferguson	G143		Ferguson
64	Johanna Sappelis			Sappelis
65	Frans Fries	G116		Fries
66	Filemon Chabalala	G102 Gong - Gong		Chabalala
67	Maria Chabalala	G102 Gong - Gong		M. Chabalala
68	Oseltrea Storck	G101 Gong - Gong		Storck
69	Salwin Storck	G101 Gong - Gong		Storck
70	Simone Seekoei	G138 Gong - Gong		Seekoei
71	Verencia Macalees	G115 Gong		Macalees
72	Muriel JOB	G108 Gong		Job
73	MARCI LESAU	112 Gong - Gong		LESAU
74	ANIM RORO	307 Gong - Gong		RORO
75	Sherill NERO	114 Gong - Gong		NERO
76	Caylene Nero	Gong - Gong		Nero
77	IRENE MASHIANE	Gong - Gong		MASHIANE
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79	Rosezaileu Daniels	G124 Gong - Gong		Daniels
80	Caroline Swaffs	G168 Gong - Gong		Swaffs

81	Meliaty Nero	128 G. Gong.	J Nero.
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83	TESEA CROTZ	G 132	CROTZ
84	Damion Williams	Gong Gong G129	Williams
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86	JAN SEEKOEI	GONG GONG	Seekoei
87	KATY VAN WYK	GONG GONG	Van Wyk
88	MARTHA SEEKOEI	GONG GONG	Seekoei
89	Maggie Seekoei	.	M. J. Seekoei
90	DANIEL SEEKOEI	GONG GONG	Seekoei
91	CHRISTOPHER RYNEVELDT	150 Gong-Gong	Ryneveldt
92	VANRAK DRIFT	G210 Gong-Gong	Drift
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