**FOR WRITTEN REPLY  
  
NATIONAL ASS EMBLY  
  
PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO 1188**

**QUESTION 1188. Mr BM Bhanga (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**(a) How many consumer units received (i) water, (ii) electricity, (iii) sanitation and (iv) solid waste management services in each metropolitan municipality since 1 July 2015 and (b) how many of the specified units received the specified services for free in each specified metropolitan municipality? NW1328E  
  
**REPLY**  
  
The Department of Cooperative Governance, as part of the 828 approach, monthly requests municipalities to report on the number of households receiving (i) water, (ii) electricity, (iii) sanitation and (iv) solid waste management services, new connection made and the number of households receiving free basic water and free basic electricity. The numbers in the table below are the *average number* of households that monthly received the service for the period July 2015 to March 2016:

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| **Metro** | **How many households received electricity?** | **How many households were connected for the first time to the electricity system?** | **How many households received sanitation?** | **How many households received water?** | **How many households were connected for the first time to the water system?** | **How many households received Free Basic Water** | **How many households received Free Basic Electricity?** | **How many households have access to refuse removal?** |
| Buffalo City | 125787 | 95 | 219797 | 221169 | 23 | 52909 | 78032 | 161431 |
| City of Cape Town | 567481 | 362 | 897965 | 897965 | 545 | 897965 | 369060 | 706205 |
| City of Johannesburg | 493939 | 145 | 266246 | 414231 | 103 | 27445 | 22580 | 1001550 |
| City of Tshwane | 411773 | 359 | 618739 | 775660 | 1220 | 314500 | 213000 | 823388 |
| Ekurhuleni | 390969 | 1142 | 902332 | 908293 | 88 | 460204 | 208835 | 695987 |
| Ethekwini | 689270 | 895 | 699258 | 818201 | 227 | 613674 | 124883 | 945910 |
| Mangaung | 187328 | 33 | 115179 | 172500 | 21 | 23367 | 29744 | 206650 |
| Nelson Mandela Bay | 273311 | 122 | 295177 | 325302 | 127 | 76396 | 64555 | 317760 |