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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER 159: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: NW180E**

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**159. Mr K J Mileham (DA) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

1. Whether any mining permits were issued to certain companies (names furnished) since 1 January 2017; if so, what are the site locations of each permit that was issued;
2. whether it is possible for (a) one permit holder to transfer a permit to another and/or (b) multiple permits to be issued for the same site location? NW180E

**Reply**

(1) Yes, the department has issued a mining permit to Hlelo mining (Pty) Ltd under the reference number 11218MP. It is located on portion of portion 3 of the farm Boschmanspoort 159 IS, within the magisterial district of Hendrina. The department has no record of a mining permit issued to Lunathi Mining.

(2)(a) Section 27(8) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002 (MPRDA) as amended, provides that a mining permit may not be transferred, ceded, let, sublet, alienated or disposed of, in any way whatsoever, but may been cumbered or mortgaged only for the purpose of funding or financing of the mining project in question with the Minister’s consent.

(b) Yes, multiple permits can be issued for the same location in that a mining permit is issued only for 5 hectares and therefore other entities can apply on the same location for 5 hectares as long as it is not on the 5 hectare where there is an issued mining permit or a right.

**DDG: MR**

**Date**: 27 Feb 2020

Recommended

Advocate TS Mokoena
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Approved

Mr SG Mantashe
**Minister of** **Mineral Resources and Energy**
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