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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**Minister**

**National Assembly question for written reply: Question 1930**

DDG: MR

**Date:**

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**Director General: Department of Mineral Resources**

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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 1930 ADVANCE NOTICE NO: NW2142E**

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**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NUMBER: 23**

**1930. Mr G Mackay (DA) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources:**

(1) (a) On what date was the public participation for a certain mine housing development (name furnished) conducted and (b) how was the notice for public participation communicated;

(2) whether a proper environmental impact assessment (EIA) was conducted; if so, what process has been followed since the specified EIA;

(3) whether any objections were registered against the specified development; if so, what number of objections were lodged;

(4) (a) how were the objectors notified of the tribunal hearing and (b) what was the outcome of the specified hearing? NW2142E

**REPLY**

1. The Ekurhuleni Municipality and Gauteng Department of Agricultural and Rural Development are in position to advice on public participation for land use development as they are the custodians of land use. The Department’s mandate is to comment on impediment between mining and development and advise accordingly.
2. Environmental Impact Assessment is only submitted to Municipality and Gauteng Department of Agricultural and Rural Development, for land use development purposes. Developers’ use their discretion whether to submit the EIA to the department as it is not mining related.
3. The Department has not received any objection in writing from any interested and affected parties as yet
4. No objections in relation to the development from ERPM to DMR in writing has been received.

Approved/Not Approved

**Mr MJ Zwane, MP**

**Minister of Mineral Resources**

**Date Submitted:-**……………/………………/2017