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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly: 2046**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor **written reply** asked **Dr W J Boshoff (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

**Ms . N Ngcwabe**

**DDG: Mining, Minerals and Energy Policy Development**

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Recommended/ Not Recommended

**Ms P. Gamede**

**Acting Director General: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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Approved / Not Approved

**Mr. S.G. Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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1. **Dr W J Boshoff (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**
2. Whether he will make available all information regarding the findings by the Council for Geoscience that shale gas extraction is viable; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, by what date; and
3. How does he anticipate the way forward for shale gas (a) exploration and (b) extraction? NW2446E

**Reply**

1. Yes, information will be made available after Cabinet approval.
2. The way forward will be informed by scientific studies currently underway.