**TO: THE MINISTER**

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**INTERNAL MEMORANDUM**

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| **To:** | **MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE** | **Ref:** | **NA PQ NO. 2151 (Written Reply)** |
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**REPLY:**

The Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) receives expropriation applications from Eskom in line with the Electricity Regulations Act of 1996, read with Expropriation Act No 63 of 1975. Accordingly, the Department considers the applications after due diligence process is done. If the Executive Authority is satisfied with application as per Acts guiding this process, the application is processed.

According to current plans over the next 10 years Eskom’s Transmission division is supposed to build about 15000 km of transmission lines. For all these, Eskom will be acquiring servitudes from land owners. Therefore during 2023/24 as Eskom rolls out its servitude acquisition programme, there could be some “DPWI” land that may be needed, and Eskom will only approach the Department at that time.

Eskom only becomes aware of the land owners after the route has been confirmed and the Service Provider will then be appointed in this regard. The Appointed Service Provider identifies the affected land owners and the process of acquiring the servitudes starts by negotiations. If negotiations do not yield positive results, the expropriation process follows thereof. It is therefore difficult, to be explicit in terms of the total number between 2023 and 2025.

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The draft reply to Parliamentary Question No. 2151 (Written Reply) is submitted for your consideration.

The input has been provided by the Policy, Research and Regulations Business Unit.

I hereby attest that the information provided in response to NA PQ 2151 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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**MR. L NDOU**

**CHIEF DIRECTOR: POLICY, RESEARCH AND REGULATIONS**

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**MS. N MAKHUBELE**

**ACTING-DIRECTOR GENERAL**

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**MS. B SWARTS, MP**

**DEPUTY MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

**DATE:**

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**MR. S ZIKALALA, MP**

**MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

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**WRITTEN REPLY**

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