## DPE Stationery:DPE logo.jpg INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

**TO : Mogokare Richard Seleke**

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

 **FROM : Justin De Allende**

**RE :** **PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO 2214**

# DATE : 4 August 2017

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To provide the Minister with a response to Parliamentary Question Number 2214

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| **COVER MEMO AND THE PACKAGING OF PQ BY:****Department of Public Enterprises**  |
| **……………………………….****Acting Deputy Director-General** **Date:** | **COMMENTS:****………………………………………..** |
| **…………………………………****Mogokare Richard Seleke****Director-General****Date:** | **APPROVED/DECLINED/COMMENTS****…………………………………………..****…………………………………………..****………………………………………….** |



**DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC ENTERPRISES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO.: PQ 2214**

**DATE OF PUBLICATION: 4 AUGUST 2017**

2214.     Dr A Lotriet (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:

(1)    Whether Eskom has upgraded any part of its infrastructure in the Sunnyridge, Marlands and Elandsfontein areas of the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Council in the (a) 2014-15, (b) 2015-16 and (c) 2016-17 financial years; if not, why not; if so, what was the (i) nature of the upgrades and (ii) cost in each case;

(2)     whether Eskom intends to upgrade its infrastructure in the

specified areas; if not, why not; if so, on what date(s)?

**REPLY:**

The areas in question are supply areas of the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality. Eskom provides a 22kV bulk supply to Ekerhuleni Metropolitan through the Germiston North substation.

(1)(a) Eskom did not upgrade any part of its Germiston North substation infrastructure in 2014-15.

(1)(b) Eskom did not upgrade any part of its Germiston North substation infrastructure in 2015-2016.

(1)(c) Eskom did not upgrade any part of its Germiston North substation infrastructure in 2016-17.

 The bulk point to the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality is operating optimally without major interruptions and this performance remains a focus of the Eskom Gauteng Operating unit. This enables the Ekurhuleni Metro in the delivery of local services.

(2) Yes, the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality has applied for an additional 80 MVA transformer. Construction is scheduled to commence on the fourth quarter of 2017/18.

**Remarks: Reply: Approved / Not Approved**

**Mr. Mogokare Richard Seleke Ms. Lynne Brown, MP**

**Director-General Minister of Public Enterprises**

**Date: Date:**

**Additional Information for the Minister**

We would like to bring the following to the Minister’s attention:

1. A major long term upgrade took place in 2012/13.

As part of Eskom’s strengthening and refurbishment plans, the substation was refurbished, and a new cable was installed from Croydon to Germiston North during 2012/13, at a total valueR207 (m) Preventative maintenance was performed on this network between 2014 and 2015 and the equipment is planned for another planned maintenance cycle 2017 and 2018 as part of the long term planned maintenance strategy.

1. The Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality has applied for an additional 80MVA transformer, a budget quote of R33.4M has been issued and accepted by the Metro. Construction will start on the fourth quarter 2017/18.