# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3114**

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**Mrs A M Dreyer (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) With regard to (a) the awarding of the tender for the development of Portions 87, 148, 149 and the remainder of Portion 1 of the farm Rietfontein 61 IR, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality and (b) in view of the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report Gaut: 002/13-14/E0153 (details furnished), he has found that the health of the nearby residents will not be placed in danger with the proposed development and the possible disturbance of anthrax graves;

(2) whether he will inform the Minister of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs and the Gauteng MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development of the potential health risks to residents; if not, why not?

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**REPLY:**

1. The matter of communicating how the proposed development will impact the nearby residents is not the responsibility of the Department of Health. Such assessments and communication of the impact to the nearby residents will be done by the Developer and the Department of Local Government and Housing.

(2) The proposed development was initiated by the Department of Local Government and Housing. Any consultation and notifications as to the dangers and potential health risks posed by the proposed development will be dealt with by them and not the Department of Health.

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