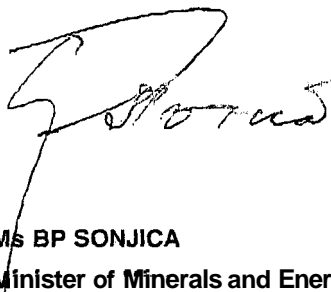


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MINES AND WORKS ACT, 1956 (ACT No. 27 OF 1956)

DECLARATION OF WORK IN NATIONAL INTEREST

Under section 9 (1) (f) of the Mines and Works Act, 1956 (Act No. 27 of 1956), I Ms Buyelwa Patience Sonjica, Minister of Minerals and Energy, hereby declare that in my opinion the performance of mining operations on Sundays at the mine known as Douglas Colliery Services Ltd in the District of Witbank, Province of Mpumalanga, is necessary in the national interest for a period of 1 year from 16 October 2006.

**Ms BP SONJICA****Minister of Minerals and Energy**
