GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AFFAIRS

No. 565

24 June 2010

RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF DOMESTIC WATER IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BEAUFORT WEST AND HESSEQUA IN THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE.

I, Nobubele Ngele, in my capacity as the Acting Director General of the Department of Water Affairs, by virtue of the powers vested in me in Section 63, read together with Section 72 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), and in terms of Section 6(1)(i) Schedule 3 of the same Act, hereby direct that, as from 01 January 2010 until any further Notice is published in this regard:

- The taking of raw water for domestic and industrial purposes from natural resources in the town of Beaufort West as well as in the area of jurisdiction of the Hessequa Municipality, be reduced by 40% to supply 60% of the unrestricted use. The reduction is based on water consumption in the year 2008 and will be adjusted to allow for population growth;
- The taking of groundwater from private boreholes for the irrigation of gardens must not be permitted between 07:00 and 17:00 hours in the town of Beaufort West as well as in the area of jurisdiction of the Hessequa Municipality.

This Notice overrides any other previous authorisation on water restrictions issued by the Department of Water affairs relating to this area.

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