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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FORM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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Application for authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010

PROJECT TITLE

The proposed establishment of the 245 ha Nsuze Irrigation Scheme (Non-Sensitive Areas) located on Reserve No. 19 of the Farm No. 15389, near Kranskop, KwaZulu Natal

Kindly note that:

1. This application form is current as of 2 August 2010. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ascertain whether subsequent versions of the form have been published or produced by the competent authority.
2. The application must be typed within the spaces provided in the form. The sizes of the spaces provided are not necessarily indicative of the amount of information to be provided. Spaces are provided in tabular format and will extend automatically when each space is filled with typing.
3. Where applicable **black out** the boxes that are not applicable in the form.
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5. The use of the phrase "not applicable" in the form must be done with circumspection. Should it be done in respect of material information required by the competent authority for assessing the application, it may result in the rejection of the application as provided for in the Regulations.
6. This application must be handed in at the offices of the relevant competent authority as determined by the Act and regulations.
7. No faxed or e-mailed applications will be accepted.
8. Unless protected by law, all information filled in on this application will become public information on receipt by the competent authority. Any interested and affected party should be provided with the information contained in this application on request, during any stage of the application process.
9. Should a specialist report or report on a specialised process be submitted at any stage for any part of this application, the terms of reference for such report must also be submitted.

Queries must be addressed to the contact hereunder:

Departmental Details

Postal address:

Department of Environmental Affairs
Attention: Director: Environmental Impact Evaluation
Private Bag X447
Pretoria
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Physical address:

Department of Environmental Affairs
Fedsure Forum Building (corner of Pretorius and Van der Walt Streets)
2nd Floor North Tower
315 Pretorius Street
Pretoria
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Queries should be directed to the Directorate: Environmental Impact Evaluation at:

Tel: 012-310-3268
Fax: 012-320-7539

Please note that this form must be copied to the relevant provincial environmental department/s.

View the Department's website at <http://www.deat.gov.za/> for the latest version of the documents.

SITE IDENTIFICATION AND LINKAGE

Please indicate all the Surveyor-general 21 digit site (erf/farm/portion) reference numbers for all sites (including portions of sites) that are part of the application.

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(if there are more than 6, please attach a list with the rest of the numbers)

(These numbers will be used to link various different applications, authorisations, permits etc. that may be connected to a specific site)

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1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project applicant:	Department of Rural Development and Land Reform		
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E-mail:	mastwantwa@ruraldevelopment.gov.za		

Provincial Authority:	Department of Agriculture and Environmental Affairs		
Contact person:	Muzi Mdamba		
Postal address:	Private Bag X1048, Richards Bay		
Postal code:	3900	Cell:	082 8222 582
Telephone:	035 780 6844	Fax:	035 789 8211
E-mail:	Muzi.Mdamba@kzndae.gov.za		

Landowner:	Ingonyama Trust		
Contact person:	Belinda Benson		
Postal address:	PO Box 31, Pietermaritzburg		
Postal code:	3200	Cell:	-
Telephone:	033 846 9924	Fax:	033 846 9944
E-mail:	bensonb@ingonyamatrust.org.za		

In instances where there is more than one landowner, please attach a list of landowners with their contact details to this application.

Local authority in whose jurisdiction the proposed activity will fall:	Nkandla Local Municipality		
Nearest town or districts:	Kranskop		
Contact person:	M.E. Ngonyama		
Postal address:	P O Box 161, Nkandla		
Postal code:	3855	Cell:	083 4141 667
Telephone:	035 833 2000/1	Fax:	035 833 7920
E-mail:	MNgonyama@nkandla.org.za		
In instances where there is more than one local authority involved, please attach a list of local authorities with their contact details to this application.			
N/A			

2. ACTIVITIES APPLIED FOR TO BE AUTHORISED

2.1 For an application for authorisation that involves more than one listed or specified activity that, together, make up one development proposal, all the listed activities pertaining to this application must be indicated.

Indicate the number and date of the relevant notice:	Activity No (s) (in terms of the relevant notice) :	Describe each listed activity as per project description ¹ :
GNR 544	Part 11	<i>The construction of:... ii) channels; ...v) weirs;... xi) infrastructure or structures covering 50 square metres or more... where such construction occurs within a watercourse or within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse...</i> The pump station infrastructure will collectively exceed 50 m ² in size within 32 m of a watercourse
GNR 544	Part 18	<i>GNR 544, Part 18: The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 5 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand ... from i) a watercourse...</i> The pump station infrastructure will require more than 5 m ³ of soil to be moved within a water course.
GNR 546	Part 1	<i>The construction of reservoirs for bulk water supply with a capacity of more than 250 cubic metres.</i> <i>iii. Outside urban areas, in:</i> <i>(ff) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core area of a biosphere reserve;</i> The construction of water reservoirs for water supply will collectively exceed 250 cubic metres outside an

¹ Please note that this description should not be a verbatim repetition of the listed activity as contained in the relevant Government Notice, but should be a brief description of activities to be undertaken as per the project description

		urban area within 5 km of the Tugela and the Nsuzi Rivers which have been identified as National Freshwater Ecosystem Priority Areas (NFEPA)
GNR 546	Part: 14	<i>The clearance of an area of 5 hectares or more of vegetation where 75% or more of the vegetative cover constitutes indigenous vegetation, except where such removal of vegetation is required for: (1) purposes of agriculture or afforestation inside areas identified in spatial instruments adopted by the competent authority for agriculture or afforestation purposes;</i> This project complies with the exemption (1) as it is a National Agricultural Project., and is thus not applicable
GNR 546	Part 16	<i>The physical alteration of virgin soil to agriculture, or afforestation for the purposes of commercial tree, timber or wood production of 100 hectares or more.</i> The project involves the irrigation of approximately 245 ha of land. Some of this land has been cultivated within the last 10 years, however other areas comprise natural veld. The areas proposed to be irrigated are split into community areas, each of which is less than 100 ha. Thus the project does not require a full Scoping and EIA Assessment.

Please note that any authorisation that may result from this application will only cover activities specifically applied for.

2.2 A project schedule, indicating the different phases and timelines of the project, must be attached to this application form.

3. OTHER AUTHORISATIONS REQUIRED

3.1 DO YOU NEED ANY AUTHORISATIONS IN TERMS OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LAWS?

- 3.1.1 National Environmental Management: Waste Act /No
- 3.1.2 National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act /No
- 3.1.3 National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act /No
- 3.1.4 National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act /No
- 3.1.5 Mineral Petroleum Development Resources Act /No
- 3.1.6 National Water Act /Yes
- 3.1.7 National Heritage Resources Act /No
- 3.1.8 Other (please specify) /No

3.2 Have such applications been lodged already? /Yes

4. DECLARATIONS

4.1 The Applicant

I, **Momelezi Twantwa**, declare that I -

- am, or represent², the applicant in this application;
- have appointed / will appoint (delete that which is not applicable) an environmental assessment practitioner to act as the independent environmental assessment practitioner for this application / will obtain exemption from the requirement to obtain an environmental assessment practitioner³;
- will provide the environmental assessment practitioner and the competent authority with access to all information at my disposal that is relevant to the application;
- will be responsible for the costs incurred in complying with the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2010, including but not limited to –
 - costs incurred in connection with the appointment of the environmental assessment practitioner or any person contracted by the environmental assessment practitioner;
 - costs incurred in respect of the undertaking of any process required in terms of the Regulations;
 - costs in respect of any fee prescribed by the Minister or MEC in respect of the Regulations;
 - costs in respect of specialist reviews, if the competent authority decides to recover costs; and
 - the provision of security to ensure compliance with conditions attached to an environmental authorisation, should it be required by the competent authority;
- will ensure that the environmental assessment practitioner is competent to comply with the requirements of these Regulations and will take reasonable steps to verify whether the EAP complies with the Regulations;
- will inform all registered interested and affected parties of any suspension of the application as well as of any decisions taken by the competent authority in this regard;
- am responsible for complying with the conditions of any environmental authorisation issued by the competent authority;
- hereby indemnify the Government of the Republic, the competent authority and all its officers, agents and employees, from any liability arising out of the content of any report, any procedure or any action which the applicant or environmental assessment practitioner is responsible for in terms of these Regulations;
- will not hold the competent authority responsible for any costs that may be incurred by the applicant in proceeding with an activity prior to obtaining an environmental authorisation or prior to an appeal being decided in terms of these Regulations;
- will perform all other obligations as expected from an applicant in terms of the Regulations;
- all the particulars furnished by me in this form are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 71 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Original submitted

Signature of the applicant⁴/ Signature on behalf of the applicant:

Department of Rural Development and Land Reform

Name of company (if applicable):

Date:

² If this is signed on behalf of the applicant, proof of such authority from the applicant must be attached.

³ If exemption is obtained from appointing an EAP, the responsibilities of an EAP will automatically apply to the person conducting the environmental impact assessment in terms of the Regulations.

⁴ If the applicant is a juristic person, a signature on behalf of the applicant is required as well as proof of such authority. An EAP may not sign on behalf of an applicant.