



## **environmental affairs**

Department:  
Environmental Affairs  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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**MINISTER**

**QUESTION NO. 125 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

A draft reply to **Mr K J Mileham (DA)** to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

**MS NOSIPHO NGCABA  
DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

**DATE:**

**DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED**

**MS B D CREECY, MP  
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES**

**DATE:**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**(For written reply)**

**QUESTION NO. 125 {NW1086E}**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 2 of 2019**

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**Mr K J Mileham (DA) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries:**

- (1) Whether any action is being taken to enforce compliance with the court order relating to the rehabilitation, maintenance and security of the Makhanda landfill site; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether her department conducts regular inspections of the landfill site to ensure compliance with relevant legislation; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**125. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES REPLIES:**

- (1) No action has been taken to enforce compliance with the court order by the National Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (previously the Department of Environmental Affairs) as it has not been involved in the legal proceedings which resulted in the court order compelling, among others, the Municipality to undertake rehabilitation, maintenance and installation of security measures at the Makana landfill site.
  
- (2) The Makana landfill site is a general landfill site and, accordingly, the regulatory duties, including taking compliance and enforcement action when non-compliances are detected, falls within the mandate of the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism.

This Department has contacted the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism who confirmed that they are actively engaging with the Makana Municipality, and that they undertook a compliance visit to the landfill site as recently as June 2019.

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