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ATTENTION: DR THEUNS ELOFF

RE: WATER AND SANITATION 2000

FROM: GRAHAM ATKINSON DATE: 7.6.1983

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MESSAGE

Please see attached letter.

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7th June 1963 Enquiries Mr GDJ Atkinson

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- ) was very pleased to receive a copy of your letter of the 11th May 1993 addressed to Mik a

" o Muller of the Development Bank of Southern Africa, who chairs the above initiative in the form

Â¥ of the Standing Committee on Water and Sanitation. | am a member of this Committee and

ks have been deeply involved in the proposals concerning institutional arrangements that have

p been developed and debated in the Committee.

You may or may not be aware that by and large the Committee has favoured a so-called three-tier system for the water industry in South Africa, viz

(a) A first or national tier responsible for overall policy, inter-basin transfers, etc;

(b) A second tier which would be responsible, inter alia, for the storage, transportation, bulk treatment and delivery of purified water; and

Â\200\230i (c) A third tier responsible for reticulation of water to individual consumers.

There are, of course, variations on the above but it is our view in Umgeni that the whole country should be covered by second-tier institutions such as the current "water boards" \200\235.

o The object of writing this letter to you, however, is to convey a feeling which exists at a high

" level in KwaZulu and indeed in certain other political circles in Natal. Bearing in mind the

strong feeling in some quarters for forceful regional government the first-tier authority in the

above model need not necessarily be at Central Government level, but could be at regional government level. There would obviously, in such a case, have to be some umbrella-type body at national level, but with less powers and obligations than at the current first-tier situation.

May | take this opportunity also of wishing you everything of the best in your task and trust

that the negotiating process may forge ahead smoothly.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely w z

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