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Attention: Mr Matt Johnston
OUTA: Head of Research, Policy & Parliamentary Engagement

Re: Independent Water Regulator South Africa

Your letter dated 13 May 2021 refers. Firstly, I would like to point out that the letter that you report to have submitted on the 12 October 2020 appears to have been lost in the system as neither both the Secretary nor I and the Content Advisor received it. I would like to extend my gratitude for your persistence in this regard. In light of our current water crisis, I fully agree with you that the establishment of the Independent Water Regulator for South Africa is long overdue. I therefore invite you (OUTA) and Water Shortage SA to submit your findings and recommendations on this matter in a form of a report to my office through Ms Mkaliphi and Ms Pasiya-Mndende on email addresses provided above. I will then peruse your submission and inform you of the way forward as soon as possible.

I trust and hope that this correspondence would receive your urgent attention.

Yours faithfully,

Hon R Semenya, MP

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