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Department:  
Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES**

### **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

#### **QUESTION NO. 707**

#### ***Non-compliance to zoning scheme***

**Ms H S Boshoff (Mpumalanga: DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

- (1) Whether, with reference to a reply to Question 482 on 12 May 2025 by the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs and the non-compliance of the Coega Development Corporation (CDC) to the zoning scheme of the Coega Special Economic Zone (SEZ) (details furnished), her department has been informed of such non-conformance; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what actions have been taken in this regard and (b) what remedies are available to ensure such compliance;
- (2) whether she will indicate the reasons for delays in making a connection from Ranger Road onto Neptune Road (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether her department is (a) undertaking any studies and/or (b) considering any legislative interventions that will mitigate the impact of manganese on local authority infrastructure and public health; if not, why not; if so, what (i) steps and (ii) procedures are in place for mitigating the negative impacts of road transportation of manganese;
- (4) whether she will deploy any officials from her department to conduct an investigation into the authenticity of the Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality Progress

Report on the Shared Programme of Action to Manage Manganese Operations (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CW806E

**REPLY:**

(1) (a)&(b)

With reference to the NCOP PQ 482 Reply by the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA), the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition (**the dtic**) maintains the stance as expressed in his reply to NCOP PQ 359, in (c)(i)&(ii), previously posed by the Member; in that the Department has not received any formal complaints from the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality or the Eastern Cape Department: Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEDEAT), who are custodians of town planning and environmental authorisations, respectively; and that the Coega Development Corporation (CDC) has failed to comply with the zoning scheme.

Furthermore, if the CDC is non-compliant in terms of the said Zoning Scheme, then the DEDEAT has the authority to remedy any non-compliance, as they are the licensee/owners of the CDC.

(2) The Department does not have any jurisdiction/mandate to be involved in the development and/or management of Ranger Road and Neptune Road. Therefore, the relevant authority, which is the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro, will be best placed to respond.

(3) (a)&(b)(i)&(ii)

No, the Eastern Cape Department: Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEDEAT) environmental management unit, would be the relevant authority to direct this question.

(4) The Department has not been furnished with the report, and will only be able to investigate the areas where **the dtic** has committed to deliver on.

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