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Dear Mr Govender

PETITION TO LIFT THE SUSPENSION RELATING TO AN APPEAL SUBMITTED IN TERMS OF SECTION 148(1) OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) IN RESPECT OF THE WATER USE LICENCE ISSUED TO POWER KHANYISA THERMAL POWER POINT STATION (PTY) LTD

We refer to refer to Power Khanyisa Thermal Power Point Station (Pty) Ltd petition to lift the suspension of the licence pending the appeal, received on 07 September 2018, as well as the representation made by Groundwork Trust (Appellant) indicating why, I should not lift the suspension, pending the appeal.

Having considered representations submitted by Centre for Environmental Rights on behalf of the Appellant, I am of the view that the issues raised by the Appellant in the appeal should be decided upon by the Water Tribunal. Consequently, I have decided to grant approval for the request to lift the suspension of the licence subject to Power Khanyisa Thermal Power Point Station (Pty) Ltd meeting the conditions set out on the licence.

I made this decision after due consideration of the petition brought by Power Khanyisa Thermal Power Point Station (Pty) Ltd and the representation submitted by Centre for Environmental Rights acting on behalf of the Appellant.

Yours sincerely

**NKWINTI GE (MP)
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 10/04/2019