# REPORT ON POTABLE WATER QUALITY OF RDP SCHEMES WITHIN UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY



January 2015



## Potable Water Quality Report January 2015

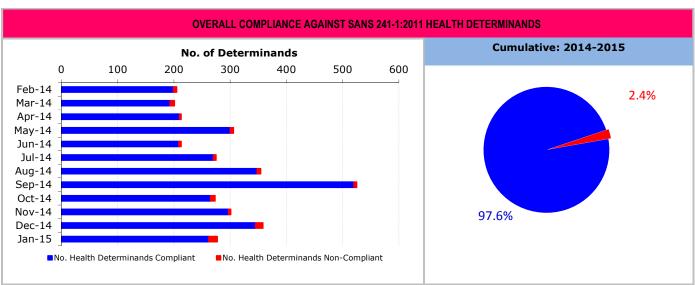
A total of 89 sites were visited of which 76 sites were sampled and analyzed in January. The collected potable water samples were analyzed for key water quality indicators, and assessed against SANS 241-1:2011 drinking water standards; the results are presented below:

#### **NOTES**

**Water quality assessment:** The assessment of the quality of drinking water is based on standard limits of the SANS 241-1:2011 specifications. The health-related standards are based on the consumption of 2L of water per day by a person of a mass of 60kg over a period of 70 years.

% Compliance: is calculated based on the results failing to comply with the standard limits of SANS 241-1:2011. Compliance is further categorized as Operational Compliance, Aesthetic Compliance and Health (Acute & Chronic) Compliance

#### WATER QUALITY RESULTS & INTERPRETATIONS

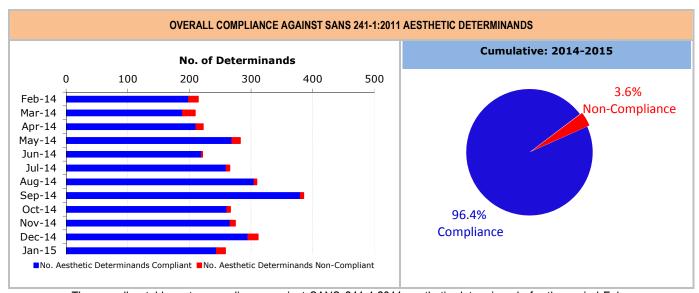


The overall potable water compliance against SANS 241-1:2011 health determinands for the period February 2014 up to January 2015 is 97.6% with 2.4% failing the standard limits.

*E. coli* concentration in Efaye Reservoir (1 per 100mL), Mount Elias Reservoir (5 per 100mL), Nguga Final (>201 per 100mL), Nguga Reticulation (43 & 8 per 100mL), Manyavu Reticulation (11 per 100mL), Lions River Final & Reticulation (1 per 100mL), Mpofana Reservoir 1 (3 per 100mL), Makhuzeni Final (145 per 100mL), Makhuzeni Standpipe (95 per 100mL), Dalton Taxi Rank Tap (66 per 100mL), Nzinga Reticulation (>201 per



100mL) and **Nzinga Final** (18 & 165 per 100mL) exceeded the health standard limit of 0 counts per 100 mL. This is mainly due to inadequate chlorine levels in water resulting in poor disinfection. Continuous consumption of contaminated water may lead to gastro-intestinal related diseases such as gastro-enteritis.



The overall potable water compliance against SANS 241-1:2011 aesthetic determinands for the period February 2014 up to January 2015 is 96.4% with 3.6% failing the standard limits.

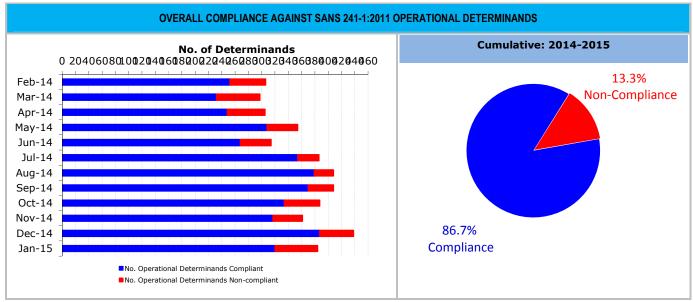
Turbidity concentration in Nguga Final (30.5 & 26.6 NTU), Nguga Reticulation (40.5, 6.1 & 5.2 NTU), Makhuzeni Final (53.9 NTU), Makhuzeni Standpipe (29.9 NTU), Nzinga Reticulation (17.5 & 21.6 NTU), Nzinga Final (58.5 & 9.3 NTU) and Mpangisa Final (5.1 NTU) exceeded the aesthetic standard limit of 5 NTU. The presence of turbidity in water results in a cloudy or muddy appearance; this may reduce disinfection effectiveness and contribute to taste and colour of the water.

**Colour** concentration in **Mount Elias Reservoir** (15.1 °H) exceeded the aesthetic standard limit of 15 °H. Staining of clothes and appliances may occur. No direct health effects are known unless the colour comes from a known toxicant.

**Iron** concentration in **Makhuzeni Final** (1.12 mg Fe/L) exceeded the aesthetic standard limit of 0.3 mg Fe/L. Staining of clothes and appliances will occur. Increasing taste and colour problems will also occur with iron concentrations >0.3 mg Fe/L.

All other results were compliant with the aesthetic standard limits.





The overall potable water compliance against SANS 241-1:2011 operational determinands for the period February 2014 up to January 2015 is 86.7% with 13.3% failing the standard limits.

Turbidity concentration in Applesbosch Final (1.6 NTU), Applesbosch Reticulation (1.6 NTU), Efaye Res (2.2 NTU), Mount Elias Res (4.5 & 1.6 NTU), Nguga Final (30.5, 4.5 & 26.6 NTU), Nguga Reticulation (40.4, 6.1 & 5.2 NTU), Impendle Town Reservoir (1.7 NTU), Plumbers Workshop (1.1 NTU), Manyavu Reticulaton (2.6 NTU), Ledgetton Reticulation (1.5 NTU), Emakholweni Standpipe 1( 1.6 NTU), Mpofana Reservoir 3 (1.3 NTU), Mpofana Final (1.1 NTU), Mpofana Civic Municipality (1.9 NTU), Makheni Final (5.0 & 1.3 NTU), Makhuzeni Final (53.9 NTU), Makhuzeni Standpipe (29.9 NTU), Nzinga Reticulation 1 (17.5 & 21.6 NTU), Nzinga Final (58.5, 2.6 & 9.3 NTU), Mpangisa Final (5.1 & 4.1 NTU), Mpangisa Reticulation (5.0 & 1.7 NTU), Richmond Reservoir (1.1 NTU), Rosetta Reservoir 1 (2.3 NTU) and Rosetta Final (2.9 NTU) exceeded the operational limit of 1NTU.

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Aluminium concentration in Nguga Final (1416 & 367  $\mu$ g Al/L), Nguga Reticulation (1155 & 438  $\mu$ g Al/L), Makheni Final (1188 & 463  $\mu$ g Al/L), Makhuzeni Final (1251  $\mu$ g Al/L), Makhuzeni Standpipe (1514  $\mu$ g Al/L), Nzinga Reticulation (1104 & 1308  $\mu$ g Al/L), Nzinga PP Final (4937, 474 & 494  $\mu$ g Al/L), Rosetta Reservoir 1 (457 & 554  $\mu$ g Al/L) and Rosetta Final (461  $\mu$ g Al/L) exceeded the operational standard limit of 300  $\mu$ g Al/L.

The main effects of aluminium in domestic water are aesthetic, relating to dicolouration in the presence of iron and manganese. Prolonged exposure to aluminium has been implicated in chronic neurological disorders such as Alzheimer's disease. It is, however, not clear whether the presence of aluminium causes such conditions or is an indicator of other factors. Therefore, the link between aluminium in water and the adverse effects on human health remains to be conclusively identified.



Heterotrophic plate counts in Efaye Reservoir (>1000 per mL twice), Mount Elias Reservoir (>1000 per mL twice), Nguga Final (>1000 per mL), Lions River Final & Reticulation (>1000 per mL), Makheni Final (>1000 per mL), Makhuzeni Final (>1000 per mL), Makhuzeni Final (>1000 per mL) and Nzinga Final (>1000 per mL) exceeded the operational standard limit of 1000 per mL. This indicates inadequate disinfection of the water due to inadequate chlorine contacts times or chlorine levels

The **Coliform** concentration in **Makhuzeni Standpipe** (>201 per 100mL) exceeded the operational standard limit of 10 per 100mL. This indicates inadequate disinfection of the water due to inadequate chlorine contacts times or chlorine levels.

The **Coliphage** concentration in **Makhuzeni Standpipe** (14 per 10mL) exceeded the operational standard limit of 0 per 10mL. This indicates inadequate disinfection of the water due to inadequate chlorine contacts times or chlorine levels and that there is a slight possibility of faecal contamination

All other results were compliant with the operational standard limits.

### **ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL ALERT INDICATORS**

The Free Chlorine levels in Applesbosch Final & Appelsbosch Reticulation (7 & 21/1), Efaye & Mount Elias Res (8 & 22/1), Endaleni Reservoir 1 & Standpipe (13 & 27/1), Ezimwini Standpipe (6/1), Nguga Final (15 & 29/1), Nguga Reticulation (2, 15 & 29/1), Gomane Reservoir, Plumber's Workshop (6 & 20/1), Hopewell Hall (6 & 20/1), Ndlovu Store House Reticulation (6 & 20/1), Manyavu Reticulation (7 & 21/1), KwaNtanzi Final (8 & 22/1), Lions River Final (16 & 30/1), Lions River Reticulation (16 & 30/1), Emakholweni Standpipe 1 & Tap (6 & 20/1), Masihambisane Final (8 & 22/1), Masihambisane Reticulation (8 & 22/1), eMbuthweni Reticulation 1 & 2 (12, 26/1), Mpofana Res 1 - 3 (5/1), Mpofana Final (5 & 19/1), Bruntville Community Hall & Mpofana Municipality Civic Hall (5/1), Maguzu Clinic (14, 28/1), Makheni Final (8 & 22/1), Makhuzeni Final & Standpipe (15/1), Mpolweni Hall (9/1), Mshwathi Municipal Offices, New Hanover welfare tap & Dalton Rank Tap (9 & 23/1), Cool Air Community Hall (9 & 23/1), Nzinga Reticulation (29/1), Nzinga Final (15 & 29/1), Mpangisa Final (12/1), Mpangisa Reticulation (12 & 26/1), Richmond Reservoir (13 & 27/1) Richmond Final (13 & 27/1), Rosetta Reservoir & Final (5/1), Mtulwa Final (8/1), Howick BP Garage, Green Acres Spar, Mpophomeni Hall & Hilton Reticulation (16 & 30/1) and Mtulwa Reticulation (08/1) is below the recommended limit of 0.5 mg/L. Low residual chlorine is mainly associated with inefficient/inadequate dosing systems or long retention times of treated water in reservoirs.



## Table 1: MONTHLY SUMMARY OF FINAL WATER COMPLIANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL SITES

Table 1. MONTHET	Operational Limits			L T OK IND	Aesthetic I		Health Limits (Acute & Chronic)		
SITE NAMES	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non- Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses
uMSHWATHI LM									
Applesbosch WW Final	8	87.5%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Applesbosch Reticulation 1	8	87.5%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Efaye Reservoir	5	40%	2Plate counts, Turbidity	5	100%	-	4	75%	E. coli
Mount Elias Reservoir	6	33.3%	2Plate counts,2Turbidities	6	83.3%	Colour	4	75%	E. coli
Ekhamanzi Standpipe	Sampled	Quarterly							
Kwantanzi WW Final	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Kwantanzi Reticulation 1	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Masihambisane WW Final	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Masihambisane Reticulation 1	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Makheni WW Final	8	37.5%	2Aluminiums,Plate Count, 2Turbidities	6	100%	-	4	100%	-
Mtulwa WW Final	8	100%	-	6	100%	-	6	100%	-
Mtulwa Reticulation 1	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Bhamshela Standpipe Res	Sampled	Quarterly							
Ozwathini Reservoir Outlet Bhamshela Standpipe	Sampled	Quarterly							
MKHAMBATHINI LM									
Mpangisa Final	8	75%	2Turbidities	4	75%	Turbidity	4	100%	-
Mpangisa Reticulation 1	8	75%	2Turbidities	4	100%	-	4	100%	-



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RICHMOND LM									
Endaleni PP Reservoir 1	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Endaleni Standpipe 3	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Inhlazuka Spring	Sampled	Quarterly							
eMbuthweni WW Final	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
eMbuthweni Reticulation 1	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
eMbuthweni Reticulation 2	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Richmond Reservoir 1	10	90%	Turbidity	17	100%	-	29	100%	-
Richmond Final	8	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Smozomeni Spring 1 Main Reservoir	Sampled	Annually							
Smozomeni Spring 2 Main Reservoir	Sampled	Annually							
uMNGENI LM									
Lutchman's Farm B/H 1 Handpump	Sampled	Quarterly							
Ledgeton WW Final	6	100%	-	5	100%	-	4	100%	-
Ledgeton Reticulation 1	6	83.3%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Lions River WW Final	6	83.3%	Plate Count	4	100%	-	4	75%	E. coli
Lions River Reticulation 1	6	83.3%	Plate Count	4	100%	-	4	75%	E. coli
Fort Nottingham Bulk Res	Sampled	Quarterly							
Senzani Village B/H Handpump	Sampled	Annually							



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MPOFANA LM									
Mpofana Reservoir 1	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	50%	E. coli
Mpofana Reservoir 2	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Mpofana Reservoir 3	3	66.7%	Turbidity	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Mpofana Reservoir 4	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Mpofana WW Final	8	87.5%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Bruntville Community Hall	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Mpofana MuniCivic Building	3	66.7%	Turbidity	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Rosetta Reservoir 1	8	62.5%	2Aluminiums, Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Rosetta WW Final	8	75%	Aluminium, Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Upper Rockly Drift B/H Main Jojo Tank 1	2	100%	-	2	100%	-	1	100%	-
IMPENDLE LM									
Nguga Final	12	50%	2Aluminiums, Plate Count, 3Turbidities	6	66.7%	2Turbidities	6	83.3%	E. coli
Nguga Reticulation 1	12	58.3%	2Aluminiums, 3Turbidities	6	50%	3Turbidities	6	66.7%	2E. coli
Gomane Reservoir A	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Gomane Reservoir B	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	3	100%	-
Gomane Reservoir A Retic.	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Impendle Town Reservoir	3	66.7%	Turbidity	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Impendle Town Reticulation	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-



WATER - 6 MAN71		Operationa	al Limits		Aesthetic I	Limits	Health Limits (Acute & Chronic)		
SITE NAMES	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses
Makhuzeni WW Final	4	25%	Aluminium, Plate Count, Turbidity	2	50%	Turbidity	2	50%	E. coli
Makhuzeni Standpipe	6	16.7%	Aluminium, Coliform, Coliphage, Plate Count, Turbidity	13	84.6%	Iron, Turbidity	26	96.2%	E. coli
Nzinga Reticulation 1	9	55.6%	2Aluminiums, 2Turbidities	6	66.7%	2Turbidities	6	83.3%	E. coli
Nzinga PP Outlet Final	12	41.7%	3Aluminiums, Plate Count, 3Turbidities Turbidity	6	66.7%	2Turbdities	6	66.7%	2E. coli
UMGENI BULK									
Ezimwini Standpipe	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Njabulo Clinic Reticulation	Sampled	Quarterly							
Plumber's workshop	6	83.3%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Hopewell Hall Tap	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Ndlovu Store-House No. 840528	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Manyavu Reticulation	6	83.3%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	75%	E. coli
Emakholweni Standpipe 1	6	83.3%	Turbidity	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Emakholweni Tap	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Maguzu Clinic Tap	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-



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SITE NAMES	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non- Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses	No of analyses done	% Compliance	Non-Compliant Analyses
Mpolweni Hall	3	100%	-	2	100%	-	2	100%	-
Mshwathi Municipal Offices	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
New Hanover Welfare Tap	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Howick BP Garage	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Green Acres Spar	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Mpophomeni Hall	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Hilton Reticulation	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-
Vumuthando Primary School	Sampled	Quarterly							
Swayimane Community Hall	3	100%	-	2	100%	•	2	100%	-
Phakathi Store	Sampled	Quarterly							
Dalton Taxi Rank	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	75%	E. coli
Cool Air Community Hall	6	100%	-	4	100%	-	4	100%	-



Table 2: SANS 241-1:2011 DRINKING WATER STANDARD LIMITS

Determinands	Risk	Units	Standard Limits
Nitrite	Acute Health – 1	mg/L	≤0.9
Nitrate	Acute Health – 1	mg/L	≤11
Sulphate SO <sub>4</sub> =	Acute Health – 1	mg/L	≤500
Cyanide (recoverable) as CN	Acute Health – 1	μg/L	≤70
E. coli	Acute Health – 1	count/100 mL	Not detected
Cytopathogenic Viruses	Acute Health – 2	count/10 L	Not detected
Protozoan Parasites:		7	
Giardia/Cryptosporidium	Acute Health - 2	count/10 L	Not detected
Monochloramine	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤3
Fluoride F	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤1.5
Arsenic as As	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤10
Manganese as Mn	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤500
Antimony as Sb	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤20
Cadmium as Cd	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤3
Total Chromium as Cr	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤50
Cobalt as Co	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤500
Copper as Cu	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤2000
Lead as Pb	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤10
Mercury as Hg	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤6
Nickel as Ni	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤70
Selenium as Se	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤10
Uranium	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤15
Vanadium as V	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤200
Iron as Fe	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤2000
Total organic carbon as C	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤10
Bromoform (CHBr3)	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤0.1
Bromodichloromethane (CHCl2Br)	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤0.06
Dibromochloromethane (CHCLBr2)	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤0.1
Choloroform (CHCl3)	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤0.3
Microcystin	Chronic Health	μg/L	≤1
Free Chlorine	Chronic Health	mg/L	≤5
Turbidity	Aesthetic	NTU	≤5
Taste or Odor	Aesthetic	-	Inoffensive
Colour	Aesthetic	mg Pt-Co	≤15
Conductivity at 25 degrees	Aesthetic	mS/m	≤170
Ammonia as N	Aesthetic	mg/L	≤1.5
Chloride Cl <sup>-</sup>	Aesthetic	mg/L	≤300
Sodium as Na	Aesthetic	mg/L	≤200
Sulphate SO <sub>4</sub> =	Aesthetic	mg/L	≤250
Zinc as Zn	Aesthetic	mg/L	<u>≤250</u>
Manganese as Mn	Aesthetic	μg/L	≤100
Iron as Fe	Aesthetic	μg/L	≤300
Total dissolved solids	Aesthetic	μg/L mg/L	≤1200
Phenols	Aesthetic	μg/L	≤1200 ≤10
pH value at 25 degrees	Operational	pH units	≥5 to ≤ 9.7
Turbidity	Operational	NTU	≤1
Aluminium as Al	Operational	μg/L	≤300
Coliphages	Operational Operational	count/10 mL	Not detected
Total coliforms	Operational	count/100 mL	≤10
Heterotrophic Plate Count	Operational	per mL	≤1000
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