MEDIA ALERT



To : All media

Attention : News Editors & Journalists

Date : 20 January 2017

16 HOUR MAINTANANCE SHUTDOWN AT MIDMAR WORKS

uMgungundlovu District Municipality water service needs are rapidly growing. As a Water Services Authority and Provider we are mandated and obligated to supply clean and potable water to all communities we serve, as mandated in Section 20-23 of Water Services Act (108 of 1997).

Umgeni Water (bulk water supplier to uMgungundlovu District Municipality) has planned a shutdown at the Midmar Works. Of the six (6) Local Municipalities uMDM serves, three (3) will be affected and include Richmond, Mkhambathini, uMngeni, Municipalities will be affected by the shutdown.

The water supply will be affected from 8:00 AM till 00H00, 24 January 2017. Water supply is expected to be operational the following day on 25 January 2017.

Residents will have water during the shutdown as our reservoirs have adequate water stored. However this requires that all residents use water sparingly during the shutdown. Residents, businesses, factories, schools, clinics and all consumers are strongly recommended to store water in receptacles or vessels.

uMgungundlovu District Municipality apologizes for the disruption and inconvenience caused. For further information contact our 24 hour call centre 0800 864 911.

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