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DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION

NO. 7166 **24 February 2026**

WATER SERVICE ACT, 1997 (ACT NO. 108 OF 1997) AS AMENDED

RAND WATER: APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT IN ZANZIRBAR WATER AUTHORITY (ZAWA) WATER PROJECT IN TANZANIA

Issued in terms of Section 30 of the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997), as amended.

I, Pemmy C.P. Majodina, in my capacity as the Minister of Water and Sanitation, and having consulted the relevant Ministers referred to hereunder as required by section 30 of the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997) as amended, hereby authorise Rand Water to perform an activity which requires entering into a partnership with the Zanzibar Water Authority (ZAWA) for the operation, management and maintenance of strategic water infrastructure under the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) framework.

This authorisation is granted in terms of a management contract with the Zanzibar Water Authority in the Revolutionary government of Zanzibar under the Republic of Tanzania.

Rand Water is a water board established in terms of the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997). Its primary mandate is to provide bulk potable water services to municipalities, industries, and mining operations, primarily in Gauteng, as well as parts of Mpumalanga, the Free State, and the North West provinces. In alignment with South Africa's foreign policy and regional development goals, Rand Water may participate in water infrastructure development and management outside South Africa's borders, subject to the Minister's approval in terms of Section 30 of the Water Services Act.

Furthermore, Rand Water operates under the oversight of the Minister of Water and Sanitation, in accordance with:

- The Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997) as amended;
- The Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999) as amended (PFMA); and
- Other relevant national policy frameworks governing public entities and water resource management.
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In accordance with the requirements of Section 30 of the Water Services Act, and prior to the publication of this authorisation in the Government Gazette, the Minister of Water and Sanitation has duly consulted with the following Ministers:

- The Minister of Finance;
- The Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition, and
- The Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation.

The Minister of Finance has expressed support for Rand Water's investment decision in the ZAWA project.

Furthermore, I hereby authorise the transfer of a maximum amount of US$45 million (approximately R800 million) to be utilised as initial working capital outside of the Republic of South Africa in support of the implementation of this partnership.

MISS PEMMY C.P. MAJODINA, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION
DATE: 13 - 01 - 2026

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