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Ms C Labuschagne (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (a) Why was non-compliance with the specifications of a certain tender (details furnished) ignored;
- (b) Why was the tender split into two,
- (c) Why the equipment and/or machinery (i) remained standing in Klerksoord, (ii) is not working to the maximum level and/or (iii) is not working at all and (d) what actions will her department take to rectify the situation?

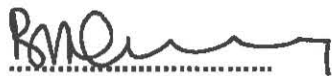
575. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- a) This tender was flagged as irregular in the 2019/20 audit by the Auditor General. It is currently the subject of an independent forensic investigation. Once complete the outcomes will be communicated to the Portfolio Committee.
- b) See above.

c) (i) (ii) (iii) See above.

d) See above.

Regards



MS BD CREECY, MP

MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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