

UMNGENI-UTHUKELA



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# Organisational Profile



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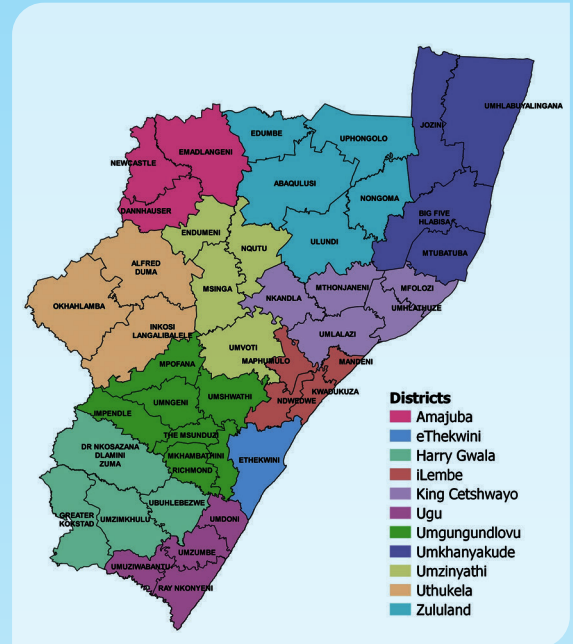
uMngeni-uThukela Water (formerly Umgeni Water) is a state-owned entity (SOE), established in 1974. Effective from 01 July 2023, the entity began operating under its new name following the merging of Mhlathuze Water and Umgeni Water to form one entity. The entity provides water and related services to water services institutions and other customers in its gazetted service area of the Province of KwaZulu-Natal. The entity operates in accordance with the Water Services Act (Act 108 of 1997) and the Public Finance Management Act (Act 1 of 1999), amongst others, and is categorised as a National Government Business Enterprise.

## UMNGENI-UTHUKELA WATER: TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE

The entity now serves as the provincial utility, is keenly focused on service delivery and derives its revenue mainly from the following customers:

- eThekweni Metropolitan Municipality;
- iLembe District Municipality;
- Ugu District Municipality;
- Harry Gwala District Municipality;
- uMgungundlovu District Municipality;
- Msunduzi Local Municipality;
- City of Mhlathuze;
- Siza Water

- Mondi;
- Foskor;
- Tronox;
- MPACT; and
- Wilmar.



uMngeni-uThukela Water's infrastructure assets in support of its bulk water services business comprise:

- Approximately 981km of pipelines and 53km of tunnels;
- Fourteen impoundments;
- Forty-nine water treatment works;
- One raw water transfer works;
- One wastewater disposal works; and
- Eleven wastewater treatment works.

The primary activity of uMngeni-uThukela Water, as legislated in section 29 of the Water Services Act, is to provide water services (water supply and sanitation services) to other water services institutions in its area of operation.

- Providing management services, training and other support services to other water services institutions, in order to promote co-operation in the provision of water services;
- Supplying untreated or non-potable water to end-users who do not use the water for household purposes;
- Providing catchment management services to or on behalf of the responsible authority;
- With the approval of the water services authority having jurisdiction in the area, supplying water directly for industrial use, accepting industrial effluent and acting as a water services provider to consumers;
- Providing water services in joint venture with water services authorities; and
- Performing water-conservation functions.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The roles of the Chairperson and that of the Chief Executive are separate to ensure a balance of power. The Chairperson of the Board and all other Board members (with the exclusion of the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer) are independent.

non-executive directors in the manner described in King IV Report on Corporate Governance, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as “King IV”). All Board members execute their fiduciary duties in a professional manner, with integrity and enterprise. In terms of the Water Services Act (No 108 of 1997), Board members are appointed by the Minister responsible for Water and Sanitation (save for the Chief Executive, who is appointed by the Board).

The current board, whose term has been effective from 1st October 2023, currently comprises of the following members who have been appointed by the Minister of Water and Sanitation and endorsed by Cabinet:

|    |                                            |                          |
|----|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 01 | <b>Adv. Vusi Khuzwayo, SC</b>              | Board Chairperson        |
| 02 | <b>Ms. Nothando Nonkululeko Mkhize</b>     | Deputy Board Chairperson |
| 03 | <b>Ms. Sylvia Thandazile Mhlongo</b>       | Member                   |
| 04 | <b>Ms. Hlengiwe Mvubu</b>                  | Member                   |
| 05 | <b>Adv. Lavandran Nanda Gopaul</b>         | Member                   |
| 06 | <b>Mr. Sibusiso Wycliff Mkhize</b>         | Member                   |
| 07 | <b>Adv. Kwazikwenkosi Innocent Mshengu</b> | Member                   |
| 08 | <b>Ms. Diana Gloria Hoorzuk</b>            | Member                   |
| 09 | <b>Mr. Timothy James Cornish</b>           | Member                   |
| 10 | <b>Mr. Sipho Maxwell Mtolo</b>             | Member                   |
| 11 | <b>Ms. Althea Dlamini</b>                  | Member                   |
| 11 | <b>Mr. James Sikhosiphi Nxumalo</b>        | Member                   |
| 11 | <b>Mr. Sandile Mkhize</b>                  | Chief Executive          |
| 12 | <b>Mr. Thami Mkhwanazi</b>                 | Chief Financial Officer  |

uMngeni-uThukela Water has a three-tiered management structure:

- The Board of uMngeni-uThukela Water is the official Accounting Authority as per the Public Finance Management Act (No.1 of 1999), as amended; (PFMA) and
- The organisation’s Executive Committee (EXCO)
- Senior Managers

## ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF UMNGENI-UTHUKELA WATER

The roles of the Chairperson of the Board and Chief Executive are separate, as recommended in the King IV Reports, to ensure independence and clear separation of roles and responsibilities. The Board contracts with the Minister through a Shareholder Compact. The Board has six Committees to assist it in discharging its responsibilities.

### These Committees are:

- Audit, Finance and Risk Committee;
- Capital Projects and Fixed Assets Committee (CAPEX);
- Human Resources and Remuneration Committee (REMCO);
- Innovation, Technology and Information Committee;
- Social and Ethics Committee and;
- Governance Committee.

The Committees also enable effective decision making through provision of detailed attention to matters within the terms of reference. Adherence to good corporate governance is underpinned by a Social and Ethics Committee. The Board’s responsibilities include development, review and monitoring of strategic objectives, approval of major capital expenditure, risk management and monitoring of operational and financial performance. The Board is accountable for leadership and control.

Day-to-day management of the organisation is the responsibility of the Chief Executive who works with Executives to assist him. The Chief Executive, the Group Chief Officers, Executives and the Group Company Secretary serve in an Executive Committee, whose key functions are implementation of the Board’s strategy and policy direction, and ensuring that all business activities are aligned to strategies and policies.

## MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UMNGENI-UTHUKELA WATER

The Executive Committee comprises of the following members:

|                                |                                       |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Mr. Sandile Mkhize</b>      | Chief Executive                       |
| <b>Mr. Thami Mkhwanazi</b>     | Chief Financial Officer               |
| <b>Ms. Moketenyanne Moleko</b> | Chief Shared Services                 |
| <b>Mr. Sbusiso Madonsela</b>   | Chief Governance & Compliance Officer |
| <b>Mr. Sanele Mazibuko</b>     | Chief Operating Officer               |
| <b>Ms Phetsile Magagula</b>    | Chief Procurement Officer             |
| <b>Ms Nontokozi Makhubu</b>    | Chief Audit Executive                 |
| <b>Ms. Simangele Mbatha</b>    | Company Secretary                     |

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