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THE SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE AND HYDROLOGIC CONCLUDE A COOPERATION AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN ONLINE RAINFALL MANAGEMENT APPLICATION

On 17 November 2015, the South African Weather Service CEO, Dr Linda Makuleni, signed a cooperation agreement with Hydrologic, a Dutch-based company, to develop and implement an online rainfall management application. The signing ceremony took place in Newtown, Johannesburg in the presence of the Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte, who is on an official visit to South Africa.

The agreement covers the development and implementation of online rainfall management applications that will contribute to rainfall and water management in South Africa.

As South Africa is a water scarce country, developing weather-smart applications could support more efficient water and rainfall management solutions to a number of weather sensitive organisations. With drought having occurred over South African regions over the past few years, as well as the expected effects of the current strong global El Niño phenomenon, the agreement and resultant cooperation comes at an appropriate time.

The signing of the agreement will be followed by a seminar and launch of the rainfall application, under the theme, “every raindrop counts”. This invariably brings the seminar and product launch into perspective in relation to the current El Niño phenomenon.

Members of the media are invited to the seminar and product launch as follows:

Date: 19 November 2015

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Time: 0900 – 16H00

Venue: Turbine Hall, 65 Ntemi Piliso St, Newtown, Johannesburg

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