

Rebranding of the concessionaire

Following the decision by Sembcorp Industries to divest in South Africa and focus its investment in China and the Middle East, the company has now been taken over by new local black shareholders who decided to change the company name and logo by reverting to the previous company name Silulumanzi.

Silulumanzi is delighted, therefore, to introduce its new company logo, following the change of ownership from Sembcorp Industries, to a local, proudly South African owned company, trading as the South African Water Works (SAWW). Therefore, Silulumanzi is now a wholly owned and a proudly South African company. The Sembcorp name and logo are no longer in use effective from Monday 25th March 2019. All our vehicles, sites and staff uniform have the new logo. The water services bill issued from April 2019 was issued bearing the new company logo.

Our contact numbers, banking details, postal and physical addresses remain unchanged. Our Telkom Share-Call number is still 0861 74 5858 (0861 SILULU)

The change of shareholding has not and will not impact on Silulumanzi's ability to deliver services to our customers. More importantly, Silulumanzi will continue to render services in terms of its concession contract with the City of Mbombela and such terms remain unaltered. The Silulumanzi management team tasked to run the company, on behalf of shareholders, continue performing their role under the new shareholders in SA Water Works to ensure that quality service delivery is assured. There will be no job losses or negative change to employee benefits.

The decision by Sembcorp Industries, to divest in South Africa, was finalised by February 2018, following Sembcorp's strategic review to change its geographical focus of its global utilities business. It is part of this strategic review, by Sembcorp Industries, that the decision to exit the South African market and divest its ownership of Silulumanzi and Siza Water was adopted. This decision is a strategic decision for Sembcorp and in no way reflects on Silulumanzi and Siza Water's performance or future prospects.

Focus on "Scarce Skills" at career expo



Silulumanzi extended its support towards education and bettering lives of the youth & learners from Ehlanzeni District Municipality where the Department of Education hosted a Career Expo at the Mbombela Stadium. The career expo was held over a five-day period from 13 to 17 May 2019 and targeted over 13-

000 young learners from the Ehlanzeni District Municipality. The purpose of the expo was to expose learners to different career fields.

Silulumanzi was a sponsor of the event and demonstrated its support by advising the learners about the scarce career fields within the water sector which would define and shape the roadmap to a productive future of its communities. Silulumanzi conveyed their continued support and welcomed hardworking learners from the concession area who excel in their matric studies and wish to further a career in the water sector to apply for its education bursary programme, which aims to make the lives of its communities better and hassle-free as well as sustain their lives. The career expo paved and encouraged the learners with ways to further studies in relevant career fields of their dreams.

During the career expo it came to light that most of the students were indeed interested in a career within the Engineering fields, as Mathematics & Physical Science were some of the subjects that they enjoyed, however they did not have enough knowledge in terms of the various career opportunities within the water sector that they could pursue at the tertiary level. By engaging and partnering with the Department of Education in educational programmes helps to establish the learners' futures that wherever they go they will serve as good ambassadors for our region.

TRIBUTE TO Marius van Aardt



Marius van Aardt was a Registered Professional Engineer (B.Eng. Civil, B Hons) and had 28 years' experience in the water and sanitation industry, of which 7 years were spent abroad, in several countries. His management experience included being the CEO of a water utility business in Indonesia, Belize and South Africa.

He had been Managing Director of Silulumanzi since 2008. A leader of Honesty and Integrity, Inspiration to others, Committed and Passionate, one who had decision-making capabilities, Accountable, Delegation and Empowerment, Creativity and Innovation. He believed that employees were truly the company's most valuable resource and allowed them to grow as it ultimately leads to success for any organisation. He was passionate about the engineering sector as he believed it builds and shapes the world. His famous words were "Besides being able to work on a variety of projects, engineers would also leave something tangible behind at the end of the day".

He was a great leader for the Silulumanzi family but also made sure that he never missed any time with his family which he demonstrated in attending his children's school activities & extra mural activities. A family man, loving husband, pillar of strength, support structure and disciplined father. After more than two decades of travelling the world for his career, Marius was at the stage of his life where it was important for him to make time for his family. They loved the outdoors and used every opportunity to go camping, cycling and boating with friends and family as well as going on holidays which were normally alternated between the African bush and the coast. He loved the diversity in people and places in Africa.

On the 21st of June 2019 he met his untimely death while on a family vacation in Kenton-on-Sea, Eastern Cape. Upon meeting his death, Marius would have turned 60 in July 2019. He was the 1st born of 5 siblings. He is survived by his 3 siblings; Bertis, Johan and Juanita; his lovely wife Carolyn, his 3 children Andre, Julia and Neil aged 16, 14 and 13 respectively.

HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HIS FRIENDS, FAMILY & COLLEAGUES.

*"Life is but a stopping place, A pause in what's to be, A resting place along the road, to sweet eternity.
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the lord"*

Support for victims of cyclone Idai

Silulumanzi and Siza Water donated bottled drinking water to victims of cyclone Idai as a humanitarian gesture to alleviate the plight of Mozambicans affected by the cyclone that hit Southern Africa in April 2019. This donation was a collective response to the call made by the Municipal Manager of the City of Mbombela, Mr. Neil Diamond, to citizens to lend a helping hand to Mozambicans who were reported to be in dire need of drinking water, food, clothing and shelter.



The donation consisted of the following items:

- Four thousand units of 5l water bottles.
- Nine hundred and eighty units of 500ml water bottles.

Other citizens donated food parcels, clothing, blankets and other essentials. The donation of bottled drinking water was handed over to the Mozambican Consular General, His Excellency Mr. Euginio Augustinho Langa in the day when another cyclone named Kenneth was reported by the SA Weather Bureau to be heading for landfall in Mozambique, during the next two days.



Cyclone Idai has reportedly killed just over 1000 people and submerged an area of over 3000 square kilometres in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Malawi.

The United Nations cited that more than 1,8 million people needed aid in central Mozambique, where homes were destroyed, crops ruined and cholera outbreak unleashed.



More still needs to be done to ensure the full repair of the damaged infrastructure and the recovery of the country and its citizens from this natural catastrophe.

ALERT EMPLOYEE PREVENTS DISASTER



Above: Joseph Mthethwa, Operator at KaNyamazane Regional Water Treatment Works

Joseph Mthethwa, an operator at the KaNyamazane Regional Water Treatment Works noticed a chlorine leak at the water purification plant on 23 June 2018. Knowing the fatal dangers that this could pose to human life, Joseph using his training, immediately closed the chlorine dosing facility and raised the alarm for the immediate evacuation of all personnel from the treatment plant.

Silulumanzi prides itself in investing in the training of its staff and implementing quality health & safety management practices to ensure the protection of people, and the environment to sustain life by delivering safe drinking & waste water services.



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Construction balancing Dam at Kingstonsvale Waste Water Treatment Works

A construction of a 5MI concrete balancing dam.



The purpose of the balancing dam is to achieve a constant inflow into the plant, reducing any peak inflow surge which will stabilize all processes and increase the operational functionality of the works.



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