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MEDIA STATEMENT

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Immediate Release

AMATOLA WATER WELCOMES THE APPOINTMENT OF CEO MR SIYABULELA KOYO

Amatola Water welcomes the appointment of Mr Siyabulela Koyo as its new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the next five years.

The appointment of Mr Koyo, effective from 01st of December 2023, will provide the entity with organisational stability and leadership certainty as the institution continues to forge ahead with its Turnaround Strategy.

With over 20 years of experience in Civil Engineering across public and private sectors, Mr. Koyo brings knowledge to his role. His professional journey includes a stint as the Municipal Manager of Intsika Yethu Municipality before joining Amatola Water. He holds a National Diploma in Civil Engineering, a BTech in Civil Engineering, a Master's Degree in Developmental Studies, and a Postgraduate Diploma in Government–Wide Monitoring and Evaluation. He is currently pursuing an MBA, further enhancing his leadership capabilities.

Mr. Koyo joined Amatola Water in 2021 as the Executive Manager of Planning and Development, overseeing critical areas such as projects, infrastructure planning, water resource planning, quality, and environmental management. He has been serving in the capacity of Acting CEO since 2022. His commitment and contributions during this period have demonstrated his suitability for the role.

The appointment follows the entity's recent achievement of an Unqualified Audit Report for the 2022/2023 financial year by the Auditor-General. This marks a significant milestone, representing the first time in more than three years that Amatola Water has received such a positive audit outcome.

Ms Pam Yako, the Chairperson of Amatola Water, expressed full confidence in Mr Koyo's abilities, stating, "As someone qualified in Civil Engineering, Mr Koyo brings incredible expertise and knowledge of the public sector water infrastructure sector."

As a former Municipal Manager and Technical Director, his understanding and expert knowledge of the municipal landscape will greatly assist Amatola Water in executing its infrastructure projects, thus reaching our annual targets."

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