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Date:	07 September 2018
То:	Dr Benny Malakoane (MPL) MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development
From:	Dr Roy Jankielsohn (MPL) The Leader of the Official Opposition
Subject:	Intervention needed to attend to Vrede Dairy Beneficiaries' request

Dear MEC Malakoane,

Mr Dlamini, a legitimate beneficiary of the Vrede Dairy Project, on behalf of several others, has requested access to the Vrede Dairy Farm for the grazing of cattle following the devastating veldfires and lack of grazing on commonages.

The Vrede Dairy Management responded to Mr Dlamini, stating that they would need approval from a "higher authority" and also requested some additional information, which Mr Dlamini feels seek to delay and obstruct the approval of his request. See attached letter.

Some of the information required by the Vrede Dairy Management from the beneficiaries includes aspects that the Department is responsible for regarding assistance to subsistance and emerging farmers.

As you know the beneficiaries legally own 51% of the project, and therefore should enjoy access to the property.

Considering Mr Dlamini's legitimate right to access as well as the plight of his livestock, we plead for your intervention to assist the affected beneficiaries as soon as possible.

Should you require any further information, please feel free to contact me or Mr Dlamini directly at 0839655409.

Thank you,

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