



Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA)

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UPDATE ON LIQUIDITY AND THE IMPACT OF THE LAND BANK DEFAULT

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

TCTA is releasing the following update in response to Noteholder and Lender enquiries about TCTA's exposure to the Land and Agriculture Development Bank's (Land Bank) following the recent announcement of liquidity challenges at that institution.

TCTA has exposure to Land Bank Promissory Notes, at this stage; this is expected to have some negative impact on liquidity, but it should not significantly affect TCTA's ability to meet its obligations to Noteholders, Lenders and Suppliers.

LIQUIDITY POSITION

Liquidity across TCTA's projects ranges from good (relative to expected expenditure) to robust. As part of the planning for the impact of the Covid-19 crisis on operations and financial risk, TCTA shifted most of its cash into call accounts at the big five South African banks. As a result TCTA's projects have been able to meet their obligations through the lockdown period and are in a good position to continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

Cash and Cash Equivalents Across TCTA Projects (at 30 April 2020 - millions of Rands)

Category/Project	Call Deposits	NCDs & Term Deposits	Land Bank Promissory Note	CPD & Money Market Funds	Total by Project
VRS	2 533	429	100	994	4 055
BWP	44	-	-	2	46
VRESAP	84	-	-	14	98
MMTS-2	396	19	-	10	425
KWSAP	83	-	-	58	142
MCWAP-1	431	15	-	249	695
Total by Category	3 570	463	100	1 327	5 461

The table below shows the estimated time to depletion of TCTA's project cash resources, given normal expected expenditure and assuming no cash inflows. TCTA's most vulnerable project has cash to cover about 2 months' worth of expenditure.

Days cash on hand relative to Projected Expenditure (30 April 2020 – millions of Rands)

Project	Current Cash	Estimated time remain	Estimated time remaining depletion of cash Undr		
	Balances	No of Days	Date	facilities	
VRESAP	98	60	29 Jun 20	450	
BWP	46	137	14 Sep 20	700	
VRS	4 055	211	27 Nov 20	6 500	
KWSAP	142	316	12 Mar 21	750	
MMTS-2	425	316	12 Mar 21	514	

		Greater than		
MCWAP-1	695	335 days	After March 2021	200

Land Bank Exposure

The VRS Project holds a R100 million Land Bank Promissory Note as part of the funds put aside for the payment of the WSP4 and WSP5 coupons and the WSP4 redemption on 28 May 2020. Based on the Land Bank's announcements regarding its liquidity challenges, TCTA is currently working under the assumption that the Note will not be redeemed on its legal maturity date, although at this stage there is no indication of how long the Land Bank's default will last.

Impact on Liquidity

This will have a negative impact on the VRS project's liquidity, however, there are sufficient funds to for TCTA to make payments on the WSP4 and WSP5 coupons and the WSP4 redemption on 28 May as well as for the project's other obligations to be met. From a liquidity analysis point of view, the missing R100 million reduces the VRS project's days cash on hand from 211 (to 27 November) to 187 (to 3 November).

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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES

Developments in TCTA's ability to collect on its accounts receivables from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) are the main determinant of TCTA's medium-term liquidity position.

At this stage the DWS accounts receivables position is healthy, with all projects receivables being within the contracted payment terms (30 days).

Total TCTA Outstanding Receivables and Debtors Days (28 April 2020)

Millions of Rands	Last Payment Received		Last Invoice Issued		Current Accounts Receivables			
	Invoice Period	Date Received	Amount	Invoice Period	Date Issued	Current Outstanding	Weighted Average Days	No of Months
LHWP	Jan 2020	22 Apr 20	618	Feb 2020	12 Mar 20	533	-	1
BWP	Feb 2020	31 Mar 20	13	Mar 2020	1 Apr 20	13	-	1
VRESAP	Feb 2020	16 Apr 20	56	Feb 2020	12 Mar 20	-	-	1
MMTS-2	Feb 2020	30 Mar 20	70	Feb 2020	6 Mar 20	-	-	1
KWSAP	Jan 2020	28 Feb 20	15	Feb 2020	12 Mar 20	25	-	1
MCWAP-1	Mar 2020	30 Mar 20	27	Mar 2020	6 Mar 20	-	-	1

If the current, positive trend in accounts receivables continues, it is projected that most of TCTA's projects would not require any outside funding or liquidity support for the remainder of the 2020/21 financial year. The exception to this is the VRESAP project, which might require some liquidity support in the first quarter of 2021.

TCTA will keep Noteholders and Lenders updated of any new developments or changes to these projections.

Acronyms:

VRS: Vaal River System Water Resources Development Projects (Incorporating the Lesotho Highlands Water Project

(LHWP) & Acid Mine Drainage (AMD))

BWP: Berg Water Project

VRESAP: Vaal River Eastern System Augmentation Project MMTS-2: Mooi-Mgeni Transfer Scheme – Phase 2

KWSAP: Mooi-Mgeni Transfer Scheme – Phase 2 **KWSAP:** Komati Water Scheme Augmentation Project **MCWAP:** Mokolo-Crocodile Water Augmentation Project

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