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Mr M N Paulsen (EFF) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

Whether she has found that the current pace of implementation of the Integrated Resource Plan 2019 will result in the achievement of the 2030 emissions reduction targets; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

2967. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

The implementation of the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2019 is conducted through the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy. The Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment tracks the level of greenhouse gas emissions in line with the approved Nationally Determined Contribution. The South African Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) has two targets as follows: for the year 2025, the target range is 398-510 million tonnes and for 2030, the target range is 350-420 million tonnes.

It is difficult to predict the attainment of the 2030 target, at this stage, given that there are a lot of changes that can take place between now and then. The recent draft Green House Gas (GHG) inventory for the year 2022 shows that we are on track to meet our 2025 NDC targets. According to the draft GHG inventory, South Africa's net GHG emissions are at 480 million tonnes which are well below the upper range (510 million tonnes) for the 2025 NDC target.



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