To the Hon. Minister of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment and Infrastructure
Mr. C.T. Emmanuel
p/a Council of Ministers
Philipsburg

UV/254/2016-2017

Philipsburg, June 26, 2017

Re: Questions from MP T.E. Leonard regarding energy affairs

Hon. Minister Emmanuel,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Ms. Tamara E. Leonard pursuant to article 62 of the Constitution and article 69 of the Rules of Order of the Parliament of Sint Maarten.

The letter is self-explanatory.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

S.A. Wescot-Williams
President of Parliament
Subject: FW: Question of Energy Affairs

From: Nancy R. Guishard-Joubert
Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2017 1:06 PM
To: Linette A. Gibbs

From: Tamara Leonard [mailto:tleonard1974@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 11:13 PM
To: Nancy R. Guishard-Joubert
Subject: Question of Energy Affairs

Dear Griffier,

Reference is made to below with the kind request to forward to the attention of the Honorable Chair.

Kind regards,
MP Tamara Leonard

June 21, 2017

MP Sarah Wescot-Williams
Chairwoman
Parliament House
Wilhelminstraat
Philipsburg

Dear Chairwoman Wescot-Williams,

**Questions of Energy Affairs Minister Christophe Emmanuel**

Ahead of the resumption of the Central Committee meeting on the state of affairs at government-owned company GEBE, I hereby submit the below questions via you as chairwoman of Parliament to Energy Affairs Minister Christophe Emmanuel. I look forward to receiving the answers in writing prior to the start of Monday’s session.
I would like to know from the Minister:

1. Has GEBE management/board signed or is preparing to sign a contract/s with one of more companies for the clearing of debris, grass and weeds from around metre houses?
   a. If yes, what is the total sum of the contract/s?
   b. To whom will be or have they been awarded?
   c. Was there a bidding process? If yes, present supporting paperwork. If no bidding has taken place, but contract will be or have been awarded, indicate reason in detail.
   d. Has such a contract existed in the past? If yes, who held it, at what cost and what was the duration of the contract?

2. Has a contract been signed or is one pending between former Minister Maurice Lake and the board of GEBE for the position of advisor? Or is a company with which Lake is involved been awarded a contract or is pending to receive one for the post of advisor?
   a. If yes to either Lake directly or his company indirectly, how was this selection made?
   b. What will be or is the cost and duration of the contract?
   c. Was there an open bidding?
   d. What are the terms of reference for this post?
   e. Has such an advisor been in place prior to this (pending) appointment of an advisor? If yes, who held the post and why is this person no longer in place?

It was a matter of grave importance for the answers to be given by Minister Emmanuel on about the contracts.

Sincerely,

MP Tamara Leonard

United People's (UP) party