Water Use and Waste Management: Research project portfolio for 2007/08

THRUST 1: WATER SERVICES - INSTITUTIONAL AND MANAGEMENT ISSUES		
Title (New projects indicated by *)	Contractor	Term
Programme 1: Cost recovery in water services		
The development of models to facilitate financial sustainability of water services provision by water services authorities in rural areas, based on an investigation of full costs and income	Mvula Trust	01/04/05 - 31/03/07
*The impact of large consumer unit size on access to and affordability of water services in lower income urban areas in South Africa	Palmer Dev Group/Cape Town Office	01/04/07 – 31/03/08
Programme 2: Institutional and management issues - Water services		
Water services franchising: An innovative approach to water services delivery in rural and peri-urban areas services delivery in rural and peri-urban areas	Umgeni Water	01/04/05 – 31/03/07
Interactive mechanisms for WRC research to support municipal water services knowledge management	Sigodi Marah Martin (Pty) Ltd	01/04/05 – 31/03/07
*Towards introduction of good practice and management of SA water service infrastructure and asset management	Reserved	01/04/07 – 31/03/09
Programme 3: Innovative management arrangements - Rural water supply		
Best practice institutional and project guidelines based on national and international experience to manage the impact of gender in the South African rural water sector	Council for Geoscience	01/04/05 – 31/03/07
The state of community consultation in the provision of water services	Sigodi Marah Martin (Pty) Ltd	01/04/05 – 31/03/07
Productive use of domestic water for sustainable livelihoods	Nemai Consulting	01/04/06 - 31/03/08
*Guidelines for the integration of community-based procurement for providing operations and maintenance services for basic water and sanitation provision by municipalities	Cape Peninsula University of Technology	01/04/07 - 31/03/09
Programme 4: Regulation in the water services sector		
Development of an appropriate tool : Voice, measure and intervention in ensuring the sustainability of municipal water services to the poor	Human Sciences Research Council	01/08/04 - 01/02/07
Review of regulatory aspects of the water services sector	AWI	01/04/06 - 31/03/08
*Development of a framework and model to regulate the competencies and training of managers and technicians in the provision of water services	University of the Witwatersrand	01/04/07 – 31/03/08
Programme 5: Impact of water and sanitation interventions		
Toolkit to measure sociological, economic, technical and health impacts and benefits of 10 years of water supply and sanitation interventions in South Africa.	University of Johannesburg	01/04/06 – 31/03/08