GREENS PARKWAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice of Emergency Interconnect Water Supply

Conversion to Chloramine Disinfection

February 13, 2014

Dear Customers:

This notice is to keep you informed about our water supply. As you may know, certain high volume users, in and around Harris County, have been mandated to convert to surface water. At this point in time, **Greens Parkway MUD has not** been required to convert to surface water. Therefore, we will continue using our ground water well as our primary source of water with free chlorine as our method of disinfection.

The significance to this Notice is that our emergency water supply is provided by the City of Houston. Be advised that they have converted to surface water using chloramines as the disinfecting method. While chloramines are an approved and accepted method authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, there are some special considerations for Kidney Dialysis Patients and individuals maintaining fish tanks or fish ponds. Please read the health information below.

Kidney Dialysis Patients - The change to chloramines can cause problems to persons dependent on dialysis machines. A condition known as hemolytic anemia can occur if the disinfectant is not completely removed from the water that is used for the dialysate. Consequently, the pretreatment scheme used for the dialysis units must include some means, such as a charcoal filter, for removing the chloramines prior to use. Medical facilities should also determine if additional precautions are required for other medical equipment. Persons on dialysis should contact their doctor for instructions.

Fish or Other Aquatic Animals - Chloraminated water may be toxic to fish. If you have a fish tank or pond, please make sure that the chemicals or filters that you are using are designed for use in water that has been treated with chloramines. You may also need to change the type of filter that you use for the fish tank or pond. Persons with a fish tank or pond should contact their professional supplier for information.

The above changes in your dialysis and/or aquatic equipment should be made <u>immediately</u> since the District cannot predict when an emergency supply of water treated with chloramines might be required

This Notice will soon be placed on TNG's website at www.tng-utility.com or you may contact their office. If you have questions about the District or the services it provides, please contact the District's operator, TNG Utility Corporation, at 281-350-0895.

For additional information regarding chloramines in drinking water visit the EPA website at www.epa.gov/ogwdw000/disinfection/chloramine/index.html

Very truly yours,

Board of Directors, Greens Parkway Municipal Utility District