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Attn: Mr. Gary Chauvin
Manager, Public Drinking Water Section
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087, MC 155
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Dear Mr. Chauvin:

Beginning Monday, July 9, 2018, the GBRA Port Lavaca Water Treatment Plant (PWS ID # 0290005) will utilize the alternate disinfectant protocol of break-point chlorination as a temporary substitute for the chloramines regimen normally employed. This alternate disinfectant should reduce or eliminate excess residual ammonia in the drinking water distribution systems of our wholesale customers that might result over an extended period from the use of chloramines. The affected wholesale customers include:

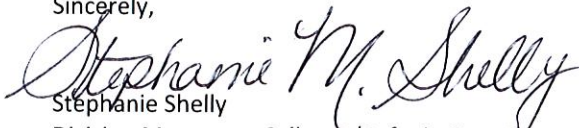
- City of Port Lavaca, PWS ID # 0290002
- Port O'Connor Improvement District, PWS ID# 0290065
- LaSalle WCID # 1, PWS ID# -0290071
- GBRA Calhoun County Rural Water Supply System, PWS ID# 0290007

The degradation of excess ammonia or ammonia compounds will be considered sufficiently accomplished at such point in time when stable and uniform residuals of free chlorine are obtained in the far reaches of the four distribution systems. The estimated completion date is Friday, July 27, 2018. As TCEQ has advised, the removal of ammonia in the distribution system improves the probability of satisfactory bacteriological test results – the standard indicator of a healthy and safe water treatment and distribution system.

GBRA's purchased water customers (identified above) are being contacted and made aware of the pending but temporary change in disinfectants.

Your assistance and guidance is greatly appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact Chief Operator Ronnie Parenica (361-552-9751) if you have questions or a request for more information concerning the intended procedure.

Sincerely,


Stephanie Shelly
Division Manager – Calhoun/Refugio Counties

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