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### Surface Water Customer

RE: Surface Water

Dear Sir or Madame:

The drinking water that you are using is being disinfected with chloramines. Chloramines are used to disinfect the water before it is delivered to your home. Many utilities have used chloramines for decades because of their lack of taste and odor, their ability to last in the distribution system, and their excellent disinfection properties. Chloramines are highly effective in reducing disease-causing organisms that can be carried in drinking water. Water disinfected with chloramines is safe for bathing, drinking, cooking and all everyday uses.

**However, chloraminated water cannot be used in aquariums or in kidney dialysis machines.**

Chloramines, like chlorine, must be removed from water that goes into kidney dialysis machines or fish tanks. You should talk with your medical professional if you are on dialysis.

Pet stores can provide aquarium owners with a dechlorinating chemical or granular activated carbon filter to remove chloramines effectively from fish tanks.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (912) 754-8012.

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Customer Signature