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PRESS RELEASE

**The City of Corona, Department of Water & Power
to Switch Distribution System Disinfectant
September 20, 2007 – October 24, 2007**

The City of Corona Department of Water & Power will implement a temporary disinfectant change from chloramines (a combination of chlorine and ammonia) to free chlorine from September 20, 2007 through October 24, 2007. This temporary change is due to an inner-tie project that is being supported by City of Corona, City of Norco, Jurupa Community Services District, and Western Municipal Water District.

During this temporary change to free chlorine, our water consumers may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water. The mild chlorine taste and smell is normal and poses no health risk. Most customers will not need to take any precautions as the water remains safe to drink and is treated according to both state and federal standards. Dialysis patients and fish owners, however, will need to make adjustments during this period to remove chlorine.

Dialysis Patients: In addition to this press release, the Water Department has issued notices to local dialysis treatment centers to advise them of this change in primary disinfectant. Dialysis treatment centers are well equipped to handle a change in primary disinfectants such as this. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local dialysis treatment provider.

Fish Owners: Fish owners (with fish in aquariums or ponds) need to be aware of this change in disinfectants so that they can make adjustments to the treatment needs for their uses. Fish owners and pet store owners must always ensure they are taking appropriate steps to remove chloramines or chlorine from their water.

For more information, please contact our Customer Service at (951) 736-2234.