

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRUNSWICK COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

COMPLETION OF THE ANNUAL FLUSHING PROGRAM AND CHANGE FROM CHLORINE BACK TO CHLORAMINES

On July 2, 2011, the Brunswick County Public Utilities Department began its annual flushing program. During the past few weeks, Public Utilities crews have worked to flush all of the water mains in the County system. The crews are nearing completion of the flushing program.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY WILL COMPLETE ITS ANNUAL FLUSHING PROGRAM ON AUGUST 29, 2011 AND WILL CONVERT BACK TO CHLORAMINES AS THE PRIMARY DISINFECTANT.

During this transition period of changing the primary disinfection agent back to chloramines, customers may experience a brief period when there may be a noticeable change in the taste or smell of the water. This is a normal part of the process and water is safe to use. If the taste and/or odors persist over several days, please contact the Brunswick County Public Utilities Department or your local water provider.

Please note, if you have an aquarium or pond always test the water that you add to your aquatic environment to be sure it is free of any chlorine before adding fish or other animals. Chemical additives with directions for removing either free chlorine or chloramines from water for use in fish tanks or ponds are available at pet/fish supply stores. Kidney dialysis clinics and customers on home kidney dialysis equipment should also be aware of this change.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this process please contact the County's Public Utilities Department at 253-2860 or 371-3490 or 454-0512 or your local water provider.