

The South Granville Water and Sewer Authority (“SGWASA”) is aware of Granville County Schools’ plan to provide bottled drinking water to students because of concerns that the level of disinfection by products (“DBPs”) Total Haloacetic Acids (“HAA5s”) and Total Trihalomethanes (“TTHMs”) in SGWASA’s drinking water exceeds the recommended Maximum Contaminant Level (“MCL”) established in federal water quality regulations adopted pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act (“SDWA”). The Notice to the Public provided to SGWASA by the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Public Water Supply Section and subsequently provided by SGWASA to the public specifically states that SGWASA’s customers “do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply” and that “[t]his is not an immediate risk.” However, SGWASA understands Granville County Schools’ desire to provide students with an alternative.

In addition to conducting all the routine monitoring required by the SDWA, SGWASA is currently evaluating and implementing procedures to improve the drinking water quality provided to consumers. Changes to SGWASA’s water treatment process implemented following a review of the drinking water treatment process did not yield the expected results. SGWASA is currently working with the engineering firm Hazen & Sawyer to identify additional improvements that can be made to bring SGWASA’s water into full compliance with the SDWA. The SGWASA Board is committed to ensuring that all necessary changes are implemented as quickly as possible.