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WATER REPORT- BERMUDA SUN-MAY 2014

As summer approaches, the demand for water increases and its impact on our daily life becomes important again. Bermuda Waterworks is a leading provider of bottled water and piped drinking water. Daily we supply water to homes, businesses, hotels, cruise ships and the occasional ship or resident requiring water for specialized equipment.

In Bermuda water is a valued resource. In the absence of natural rivers, the settlers constructed tanks for water catchment and storage. It is a practice that is carried out to this day. Necessity was the mother of invention for our forefathers and they excelled in their ingenuity. Early in our company's history, brackish water was the order of the day. Several decades later we are using advanced Reverse Osmosis and Desalination techniques to extract and treat our source water. Approximately two thirds of our piped water comes from treated sea water. The remaining one third comes from desalting brackish ground water extracted from the underground lens. The abundance of sea water has made Reverse Osmosis a natural fit for the company's operations. The piped water supply is chlorinated after rigorous treatment so that it meets local and international quality standards.

In 2010 Bermuda Waterworks entered into an agreement with the Bermuda Government to expand its distribution to the western part of the island. The most recent phase saw the pipeline extended to the junction of Somerset Road and Soundview Road. This project will resume later on this year. This expansion will help to alleviate the temporary crisis that can result from a long spell of dry weather.

The cost of the company's piped water is quite competitive. A truck load of water now costs \$90 on average and holds 1000 Imperial gallons. Bermuda Waterworks' base rate is \$24.74 once the early payment discount is applied. This entitles the customer to 1000 Imperial gallons of water. In these changing economic times, not having a piped water connection in an area that we serve is an unnecessary expense on the household budget.

(1000 Imperial gallons= 1200 U.S. gallons)



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Bottled Water

The company also manufactures bottled water under the Pure Water brand. It is packaged in 3 and 5 gallon containers. Bottled water is a healthy, convenient, food product that residents use because of its refreshing taste and it is a good way to stay hydrated. It is a healthy alternative to other beverages in helping to combat the obesity epidemic. Annually our water is subject to a detailed chemical analysis by a U.S. based laboratory. Locally, our bottled water is tested daily in house and weekly by an external approved laboratory.

Bottled water in reusable containers has been going green long before it became popular. Our bottles can be reused several times, once our customers do their part. Bottles are rejected if there are any leaks or if they have been contaminated with other liquids e.g. drink mix or dirty bottles. Very often schools and organizations have coin drives or other fundraising activities. The company is quite happy to donate reject bottles to these events. Just give us a call and save a good bottle from going bad.

For the last 80 years, Bermuda Waterworks has manufactured water to meet the island's growing needs. Our daily mission is to provide the island with a high- quality potable piped drinking water supply and internationally approved bottled water products. We are here to meet all of your water needs.