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WARNING LETTER

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Robert H. VanBorssum
Port Director
Calhoun County Navigation District
10002 FM 1593
Point Comfort, Texas 77918

Dear Mr. VanBorssum:

During an inspection of the Calhoun County Navigation District, vessel watering point, Point Comfort, Texas, on March 9, 1998, our investigator documented deviations from Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 1250. Therefore, the referenced vessel watering point has been classified as "Provisional."

Our investigation revealed significant insanitary conditions, including:

1. Backflow prevention devices were not provided for outlets on the north and south side of the pier.
2. End caps and keeper chains were not provided for the potable water outlets on piers one and two, the multipurpose dock, the tug staging dock and the south pier. The outlet on the north side of the pier did not have a keeper chain.
3. A water hose that was attached to the outlet on the multipurpose dock was stored on the ground and not protected.

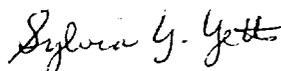
This letter is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of deficiencies at your vessel watering point and it is your responsibility to ensure adherence to each requirement of the regulations. You should assure that all vessel watering points under your control are in compliance with the regulations.

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A list of Inspectional Observations (FDA-483) was issued to and discussed with you. A copy of the FDA-483 is enclosed for your reference. Please review the observations noted by the investigator at the Point Comfort location inspected. You should take prompt action to correct these deviations and ensure that future violations do not recur. Failure to correct these critical violations can result in further action by FDA. Your vessel watering point may be placed on a "Not Approved" status if future similar violations occur.

You should notify this office in writing, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this letter, stating the specific steps you have taken to correct the aforementioned violations. Your reply should be directed to Gwen Gilbreath, Compliance Officer, at the above letterhead address.

Sincerely,



JCR

Joseph R. Baca
Dallas District Director

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cc: Earl S. Pattillo
Operations Director

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HFS-607 (Larry E. Glaze)
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