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WARNING LETTER

FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Aake H. Gregertsen
President and General Manager
Baytank Houston, Inc.
12211 Port Road
Seabrook, Texas 77586

Dear Mr. Gregertsen:

During an inspection of the Baytank Houston, Inc. vessel watering point, Seabrook, Texas, on October 15, 1997, 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. End caps and keeper chains were not provided for potable water outlets on barge docks one and three. Keeper chains were not provided for potable water outlets on the west side of ship docks one and two.
2. The west side potable water outlet on ship dock two was on the same dock with non-potable hydrants and not properly identified. The potable water sign on the potable water outlet on the west side of ship dock one was faded and not clearly legible.

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.

A list of Inspectional Observations (FDA-483) was issued to and discussed with a responsible individual at the firm. A copy of the FDA-483 is enclosed for your reference.

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Please review the observations noted by the investigator at the Seabrook 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,



for

Joseph R. Baca
Dallas District Director

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cc. Mr. Patrick Dufilho
Terminal Manager