



Public Notice

Public Utilities Commission (PUC)



Whereas, on September 10, 2010, the San Pedro Business Association (SPBA) made a complaint to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC; the Commission) in respect of the quality and security of supply of potable water to the public on Ambergris Caye by Belize Water Services Limited (BWSL) and Consolidated Water Belize Limited (CWBL);

And whereas, on November 1, 2010, the Commission served a further complaint on CWBL in respect of it operating in violation of Section 16 of the Water Industry Act;

And whereas, on November 1, 2010, the said complaints were served on BWSL and CWBL to satisfy or answer to the complaints within a reasonable period as specified by the Commission;

And whereas, BWS and CWBL have not satisfied or answered to the complaints in a manner acceptable to the Commission;

And whereas, the Commission is satisfied that reasonable grounds exist to conduct an investigation into the complaints made by the SPBA and the Commission;

The Commission now hereby serves Notice this day, November 29, 2010, that it will hold a Public Hearing in respect of the complaint made by the SPBA concerning the quality and security of supply of potable water to the public on Ambergris Caye and the complaint made by the Commission in respect of CWBL operating in violation of Section 16 of the Water Industry Act.

Intended Date and Location of Public Hearing:

The Public Hearing is to be held in San Pedro, Ambergris Caye on Tuesday, December 14, 2010, at a place and time to be announced.

Participation:

- a) BWS and CWBL are entitled to provide evidence in support of their positions with respect to the said complaints.
- b) Interested Persons who wish to give evidence at the hearing must submit such evidence to the Commission in the form of a sworn affidavit on or before December 9, 2010, for the consideration of the Commission.
- c) Members of the public are allowed to attend the hearing but only those specified above at **a)** and **b)** will be allowed to give evidence.

Sworn affidavits and other relevant correspondences should be delivered to:

- a) Public Utilities Commission
41 Gabourel Lane
P. O. Box 300
Belize City, Belize

For additional information, contact the PUC at tel: 223-4938 or by email at info@puc.bz.