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PRESS STATEMENT

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UPGRADING WORKS AT THE SUNGAI DUA WATER TREATMENT PLANT THIS WEEKEND

- **Scheduled partial shutdown of plant from 10.00pm on 6/8/2016 to 10.00am on 7/8/2016 to upgrade pipe systems.**
- **About 26,000 registered water consumers in Seberang Prai Utara (SPU) may experience water supply interruptions.**

PENANG, Monday (1/8/2016): Critical pipe works will be carried out at Penang's most important water treatment plant, the Sungai Dua Water Treatment Plant (Sungai Dua WTP), over 12 hours this weekend.

Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang Sdn Bhd (PBAPP) personnel will work overnight to upgrade a flow meter and install new valves in the plant's pipe systems. These upgrading works will help to optimise the plant's performance.

About 26,000 registered water consumers in Sungai Dua, Tasek Gelugor, Guar Perahu and Kepala Batas may experience low water pressure or no water supply.

Consumers in Seberang Prai Tengah (SPT), Seberang Prai Selatan (SPS) and Penang Island will NOT be affected.

The Sungai Dua WTP is the largest WTP in Malaysia, with a maximum design output of 1,228 million litres per day (MLD). It produces more than 80% of the treated water that is consumed in Penang daily.

The plant is being upgraded continuously by PBAPP to meet all of Penang's water supply needs. As such, the key objectives of the plant upgrading works this weekend are to:

- Ensure continuous good water supply, 24/7, in the future; and
- Avoid water rationing at all costs in Penang during future dry seasons.

12-hour scheduled water supply interruption in SPU from 10.00pm on Saturday to 10.00am on Sunday

In order to carry out these upgrading works, PBAPP has to shut down 4 of 19 high-lift pumps in the Sungai Dua WTP.

PBAPP anticipates that this 'partial shutdown' will affect water supply services in SPU from 10.00pm on Saturday night (6/8/2016) to 10.00am on Sunday morning (7/8/2016).

PBAPP hereby advises all households in Sungai Dua, Tasek Gelugor, Guar Perahu and Kepala Batas to please store sufficient water for the 12 hour scheduled water supply interruption.

PBAPP has scheduled this overnight 12-hour partial shutdown of the Sungai Dua WTP over a weekend to minimise the potential economic impact.

We regret any inconvenience caused to our customers. This scheduled water supply interruption is necessary for us to carry out pipe works that will help to ensure continuous good water supply in Penang in the future.

Thank You.

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