

SERVICE INSPECTION AGREEMENT

The City of Ingleside on the Bay is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper plumbing practices. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the plumbing restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The utility enforces these restrictions to ensure the health and welfare of the public. Each customer must sign this agreement before the City of Ingleside on the Bay will begin service. In addition, when service to an existing connection has been suspended or terminated, the water system will not re-establish service unless it has a signed copy of this agreement.

The following undesirable plumbing practices are prohibited by State regulations:

- 1. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination is permitted. Potential sources of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an air-gap or an appropriate backflow prevention device.
- 2. No cross-connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. These potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the installation of an air-gap or a reduced pressure-zone backflow prevention device.
- 3. No connection which allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
- 4. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 8.0% lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provided water for human use.
- 5. No solder or flux which contains more that 0.2% lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.

The following are the terms of the service agreement between the City of Ingleside on the Bay (the Water System) and, _____ (the Customer) as required by "The Rules and Regulations for Public Water Systems", Section 290.40(//1), as adopted by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Water Utilities Division.

- 1. The Water System will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Customer and/or the premises is connected to the Water System.
- 2. The Customer shall allow this property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other undesirable plumbing practices. These inspections shall be conducted by the Water System or its designated agent prior to initiating service and periodically thereafter. The inspections shall be conducted during the Water System's normal business hours.
- 3. The Water System shall notify the customer in writing of any cross-connection or other undesirable plumbing practice which has been identified during the initial inspections or the periodic re-inspection.
- 4. The Customer shall immediately correct any undesirable plumbing practice on the premises.
- 5. The Customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test and maintain any backflow prevention devise required by the Water System. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the Water System.

ENFORCEMENT

If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the Service Agreement, the Water System shall, at its option, either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain an appropriate backflow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Customer.

CUSTOMER'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____