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**RE: Public and Semipublic Swimming Pools and Spas**

Dear Swimming Pool and/or Spa Operator:

On July 14, 2005, the City of Burleson adopted Ordinance B-736 which established new rules for public and semipublic swimming pools and spas located within Burleson's corporate city limits. These rules were established in order to protect and promote public health and safety. Under the new rules, all operators of public and semipublic swimming pools and spas located within Burleson must obtain a health permit to operate their system *and* allow their system to be inspected as necessary.

As a result of the adoption of Ordinance B-736, the City of Burleson entered into a contract with Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH). **Under the contract, TCPH will enforce the provisions of the ordinance by collecting permit fees and conducting inspections.** TCPH is located at 1101 S. Main, Fort Worth, Texas 76104. They are 1 block west of Rosedale Street off of I-35W and may be contacted at 817-321-4960.

Attached is the pool permit application form provided by TCPH. Permits to operate your swimming pool or spa cost \$100 and are valid for one (1) year, unless revoked. Please fill out this form and submit it along with the required fee to TCPH. TCPH will review the application and send you a permit by mail. Permits shall be publicly displayed. Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of your permit, TCPH will send you a notice to renew your permit.

Inspections are generally conducted twice a year or more often as necessary. Inspections ensure your public and/or semipublic swimming pool and/or spa is in compliance with state standards relating to pool maintenance and operation as well as state health code. After each inspection, you will receive a copy of the inspection report. The inspection report will include a list of the deficiencies, if any, and shall prescribe corrective action to be taken within a specified time limit.

Please be aware of the following requirements:

1. Each pool or spa must be equipped with an automatic chlorinator.
2. Pool records of chlorine and pH must be kept daily (3x) on premises.
3. Each facility operating one or more pools/spas must have a certified pool operator (as defined by the ordinance) employed to maintain pool/spas.
4. Pools and spas must be closed for any of the following reasons:
  - a. Chlorine below 1.0 ppm (pools); below 2.0 ppm (spas)
  - b. pH below 7.0
  - c. Poor visibility – inability to see bottom drain

If you have any questions in this matter, do not hesitate to contact the City of Burleson's Environmental Programs Specialist at 817-447-5410 ext. 269 or Tarrant County Public Health Department at 817-321-4960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheri Campbell-Husband". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sheri Campbell-Husband  
Director of Communication & Environmental Services  
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