<u>Item 6 – Discussion/Possible Action on Location and BVGCD Jurisdiction over</u> <u>Lake Limestone Cove Wells</u>

There is a question of whether or not the Lake Limestone Cove water wells (1&2) are located in territory under the jurisdiction of the BVGCD. Following a discussion with the permit holder on July 2, 2014, the General Manager voided the four permits assigned to the wells (BVHU-0302, BVHU-0303, BVOP-0134, BVOP-0135) on July 7, 2014. It was apparent that the wells physically reside in Limestone County. On September 3, 2014, property deeds were provided by the permit holder indicating the wells are located in Robertson County. On September 5, 2014, the permits were reissued after having counseled with Monique.

The General Manager was asked to place this item on the agenda for the Board to determine the location of the wells, whether or not the BVGCD has jurisdiction over the territory on which the wells reside, and whether or not the permits were properly issued.

David Stratta will provide materials at the time of the discussion. It is likely Kent Watson will do the same.



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July 7, 2014

Mr. Kent Watson Lake Limestone Coves Water Systems, Inc. PO Box 192 Marquez, Texas 77865

Dear Kent,

This past Wednesday, July 2, 2014 you brought to my attention that the two water wells owned and operated by the Lake Limestone Coves Water Systems, Inc. are not physically located within the boundaries of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District (BVGCD). The wells are clearly located in Limestone, over which we have no regulatory authority.

It appears that permits BVHU-0302 and BVHU-0303 were issued pursuant to an application you provided the District on December 20, 2006. Subsequently, you applied for and the District issued additional production permits BVOP-0134 and BVOP-0135 to allow increased water production from these wells.

Since the wells are located in Limestone County and the District has no authority beyond the boundaries of Brazos and Robertson counties, the four permits mentioned above have been voided. This means:

- You will no longer need to provide water production reports to the BVGCD.
- You will no longer need to pay fees on water produced from the wells.

If you have any questions concerning the voiding of these permits, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Best regards,

Alan M. Dav

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September 5, 2014

Mr. Kent Watson Lake Limestone Coves Water Systems, Inc. PO Box 192 Marguez, Texas 77865

Dear Kent,

It has recently come to my attention that the properties on which the Lake Limestone Coves water wells were drilled are possibly in Robertson County. Our initial conversation about the wells centered on their location in respect to the published Robertson/Limestone County line. During that conversation, it appeared that the wells were north of the Robertson County and were therefore located in Limestone County. The database and map overlays used by the District are based off on published information available from the Texas Natural Resources Information System.

You recently supplied additional information (copies of the deeds) to the District indicating the properties are part of Robertson County. Having reviewed the deeds, the District recognizes the deeds specifically reference Robertson County and that the deeds take precedence over the published county line information. The wells are in Robertson County and fall under the jurisdiction of the District.

That being said, the permits (BVHU-0302, BVHU-0303, BVOP-0134, BVOP-0135) you presently hold are valid and have been placed back into the active well files.

If you have any questions concerning this action, please do not hesitate to contact the District Office.

Best regards,

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