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Corporate Communications Department

WASA RESPONDS TO MISLEADING CLAIMS ABOUT WATER QUALITY IN MORUGA/TABLELAND – Regards statements as unfortunate and inflammatory

The Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA) categorically rejects the recent claims made by MP Barry Padarath regarding the quality of water from wells currently being developed in the Moruga/Tableland area. Such assertions are not only factually incorrect but also irresponsibly alarmist, with the potential to cause undue distress to the public.

WASA maintains the highest standards of water quality and public health safety in strict compliance with guidelines set by the World Health Organization (WHO), the Regulated Industries Commission (RIC), the Environmental Management Agency (EMA), and our own rigorous testing protocols. The Authority assures the public that all raw water sources, including the Moruga wells, undergo comprehensive testing, and the results consistently reflect water quality parameters that are in line with the geological characteristics of the respective areas.

WASA CEO, Keithroy Halliday stated, “The claims made are deeply troubling and misleading. The lab reports I have reviewed confirm that the water quality from the Moruga wells contains only naturally occurring elements consistent with the region’s geology. Our treatment processes are specifically designed to address the raw water composition, ensuring that the final product supplied to consumers meets all safety standards. To suggest otherwise is a reckless misrepresentation of the facts.”

WASA emphasizes that any suggestion that the Authority would knowingly distribute unsafe water is entirely false and undermines public trust in a critical national institution. The Authority remains committed to providing potable water which meets the requisite standards to the public.

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