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### **Ute Supplies Domestic Water To Palisade In Time Of Need**

The Town of Palisade discovered a waterline break in their main waterline, as it leaves their treatment plant. The severity of the waterline break resulted in Palisade shutting down their distribution system which supplies domestic water to residences and businesses in the Town of Palisade and the surrounding areas. At this time it is unknown how long the repairs will take before the treatment plant is back in production.

The Town of Palisade contacted Ute Water's General Manager, Larry Clever, shortly after the break was discovered for assistance in the repairs, supplies and water. Ute Water started supplying domestic water to the Town of Palisade as of 11 A.M. on Tuesday, August 17th. This interconnection with Ute Water will limit the interruption to domestic water service to nearly 3,000 individuals, who otherwise would be without water until the repairs were completed. According to Joseph Burtard, Public Relations Specialist for Ute Water, "customers will not see any changes to the water pressure or water quality during this interconnection." However, customers who are at home kidney dialysis patients and/or own fish aquariums will need to take special note of the change in water suppliers. Ute Water uses chloramines as a disinfectant where the Town of Palisade uses chlorine. Like chlorinated water, the chloraminated water will need to be treated

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before being used in fish aquariums and kidney dialysis machines.

This isn't the first time Ute Water supplied domestic water to the Town of Palisade. "Ute Water supplied Palisade with domestic water for over two years ending in 2007, while the town was building a new treatment plant" stated Burtard. "The added demand of the Palisade residents will have very little impact on Ute's system which supplies domestic water to nearly 85 percent of Mesa County's population."

If customers have any questions about the temporary change in water service, they can contact Ute Water Conservancy District at (970) 242-7491 or the Town of Palisade at (970) 464-5602.

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