

## **CITY OF EDGEWATER & SOUTHEAST VOLUSIA COUNTY WATER SYSTEM CUSTOMERS**

The City of Edgewater will perform treating and flushing of the entire water distribution system beginning Wednesday November 18, 2009. This also includes the area south of Edgewater provided water service by Volusia County Utilities. During this time, the disinfectant will be changed to free chlorine from chloramines that are currently used. The free chlorine residual will be allowed to move out into the distribution system while we conduct a thorough flushing of the water mains. (This is being done to maintain the water pipes so that we can continue to deliver the highest quality water.) During this time, the water continues to be of the highest quality and totally safe to drink. However, with a change in disinfectant, some customers may notice a slight difference in the taste and/or odor of the water. The treatment and flushing should be completed within six to eight weeks, at which time we will return to chloramines. If you have any questions concerning this procedure, please visit our web site ([www.cityofedgewater.org](http://www.cityofedgewater.org)) for a complete fact sheet, or feel free to call the Water Treatment Plant at: (386) 424-2490.

# Free Chlorine Fact Sheet

**What:**

The City of Edgewater uses chloramines to disinfect the drinking water. To maintain the pipes that deliver your water, conventional free chlorine disinfection will replace chloramines for approximately 6 – 8 weeks.

**When:**

November 18 through approximately 6-8 weeks.

**Who:**

The City of Edgewater's water customers along with Volusia County's Southeast Utility customers.

**Water Quality:**

The water will continue to meet Federal and State standards for safe drinking water, though you may notice a slightly different taste or odor. If you are especially sensitive to the taste or smell of chlorine, keep an open container of drinking water in your refrigerator for a few hours to allow the chlorine to dissipate.

**Dialysis Patients:**

Users of kidney dialysis machines should not be impacted but should contact their dialysis care provider for more information about water testing and precautions regarding chlorine removal.

**Aquarium Owners:**

Those with questions regarding their aquariums should contact their local pet suppliers. The temporary change to free chlorine should not affect those with live fish if a system is already in place to remove chloramines.

**For More Information Call**

**The City of Edgewater's Alan R. Thomas Drinking Water Plant:**

**(386) 424-2490**