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PRESS STATEMENT by Ir. Jaseni Maidinsa, Chief Executive Officer, PBA Holdings Bhd (PBAHB) and Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang Sdn Bhd (PBAPP)

BUKIT LAKSAMANA: LET THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TAKE ACTION

Friday, 12/6/2015: Perbadanan Bekalan Air Pulau Pinang Sdn Bhd (PBAPP) is naturally concerned about development projects in the Teluk Bahang catchment areas that may affect raw water supply for Penang.

However, PBAPP is not empowered to take any actions against any parties for developing projects on private land that does not belong to PBAPP or land that is not managed by PBAPP.

We are the licensed water operator that serves the State of Penang but we are not a regulatory body.

On our part, PBAPP has filed reports on this matter with the Penang Water Regulatory Body (Badan Kawal Selia Air - BKSA) since 2014.

It is the role and responsibility of the BKSA to investigate thoroughly and take actions, as necessary, against any developer and/or landowner for contravening the Penang Water Supply (Catchment Area) Order 2009. The Penang Island City Council (MBPP), may also act to enforce its orders.

As such, both the BKSA and the MBPP are aware of this matter. Since PBAPP has no authority to act, we will leave it to BKSA and MBPP, as the relevant authorities, to take the appropriate actions at the appropriate time.



Insofar as PBAPP is concerned, the Teluk Bahang Dam serves as one of Penang's key strategic drought reserves. We should ensure that it continues to store as much water as possible for Penang to avoid water rationing at all costs during extended dry seasons.

Thank You.

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