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Subject: O&S Water Company 2006 Annual Drinking Water Report

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed herewith for your review is a copy of the O&S Water Company 2006 Consumer Confidence Report. A copy of this report is also being provided to the Osceola County Health Department, the Florida PSC, and customers of O&S Water Company, Inc.

Sincerely,

Granville Ramsey **O&S Water Company**, Inc.

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## O & S Water Company, Inc. 2006 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulation establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

PHL Test Results Table												
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Date of sample analysis (mo.yr.)	MCL/AL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contaminant					
Radiological Contaminants												
Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	Aug-03	No	4	N/A	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits					
Inorganic Contaminants												
Barium (ppm)	Jul 2006	No	0.01	N/A	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.					
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	Jul 2006	No	0	N/A	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits					
Selemium (ppb)	Jul 2006	No	.002	N/A	50	.05	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.					
Sodium (ppm)	Jul 2006	No	13.6	N/A	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil.					
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Haloacetic Acids (five) (HAAS5) (ppb)	7/27/06	No	29.4	N/A	N/A	MCL=60	By-product of drinking water disinfection.					
TTHM [Total Trihalomenthanes] (ppb)	7/27/06	No	43.9	N/A	N/A	MCL=80	By-product of drinking water disinfection.					

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Barium (ppm)	Oct 2006	No	0.0129	N/A	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.			
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	Oct 2006	No	.1230	N/A	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits			
Fluoride (ppb)	Oct 2006	No	.081	N/A	4	4	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.			
Sodium (ppm)	Oct 2006	No	11.6	N/A	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil.			
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