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NWC PREPARES GENERATORS FOR HURRICANE SEASON

As the 2008 Hurricane season approaches, the National Water Commission is making preparations to get its house in order.

In an Invitation to Tender posted in the local press recently, the Commission said it was seeking to contract expertise to procure and containers to accommodate standby generators. These containers will be designed to be able to allow for the easy and swift movement of the generators from location to location to allow for greater efficiency in supplying customers in times of grave need. They will also provide additional security for these generators.

Since a great majority of the NWC's systems are operated on publicly supplied electricity, which makes them extremely vulnerable during hurricanes and storms, the NWC is implementing measures to mitigate the impact which water supply disruptions may cause to its valuable customers. With the installation of these generators, even when the public power supply is off for extended periods, the NWC will be in a better position to provide better service to a larger customer base as trucking is not always an ideal alternative for large service areas.

This will greatly assist the NWC to distribute water to critical areas during the hurricane seasons with a greater level of efficiency.

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