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## **STATEMENT FROM THE NWC REGARDING TRAGIC ACCIDENT AT DUHANEY PARK SEWAGE PUMPING STATION**

Yesterday afternoon (Monday, September 19), Mr. Peter Edwards and Mr. Dwight Landle who were engaged by an independent contractor, Ger-Cam Electrical and Construction Company Ltd., died in a tragic accident while cleaning the wet well and grit chamber of the Duhaney Park Sewage Pumping Station.

Initial reports suggest that the men encountered difficulties after apparently being affected by fumes in the wet well. A third member of the contractor's work force who attempted to help was also affected but survived and was later taken to hospital for observation.

Since the incident yesterday, the site has been turned over to the Police, Fire Brigade and other emergency services personnel who arrived on the scene from some time after 2 p.m. yesterday and have launched their various investigations into the incident. The National Water Commission (NWC) continues to assist the emergency services and other authorities in their ongoing investigations.

The National Water Commission deeply regrets this most tragic loss of life and has launched its own investigation into the incident to determine all the facts. The National Water Commission extends its sincere condolence to the families and co-workers of the deceased persons at Ger- Cam Construction Company.

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