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NEW RIVER / DESERT HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION HOSTS EDUCATIONAL SESSION ON LOCAL ARSENIC ISSUES

(09/18/03 – New River, AZ) The New River / Desert Hills Community Association will host a free educational session on arsenic in drinking water at its meeting at 7:30 pm October 14 at the Deer Valley Elementary School.

Greg Gilles of Adedge Technologies, a nationally recognized expert in arsenic treatment will present information on local arsenic occurrence, health effects and the range of drinking water treatment technology options applicable to the New River / Desert Hills area.

Brian Hasty of the Arizona Department of Public Health will provide an update on arsenic and other water testing.

The session is designed to provide homeowners and businesses with a fundamental, practical understanding of the wide range of treatment technologies available on the market for arsenic treatment, and to provide a question and answer session on local arsenic issues.

Arsenic is a contaminant commonly found in drinking water in Arizona. It has been associated with bladder, lung and other cancers and other diseases, including diabetes. Recognizing the health effects of arsenic exposure, the United States EPA recently lowered the acceptable level of arsenic in drinking water by a factor of five, down to 10 parts-per-billion. Private well owners are strongly encouraged to have their water tested for arsenic and to explore appropriate treatment options.

A number of private wells in the New River / Desert Hills area have tested positive for arsenic. Of these, several have already had treatment systems successfully installed. Data from some of these installations will also be presented at the meeting.

For more information about the meeting please contact Ann Hutchinson at (623) 742-6514. For more information about arsenic treatment options in the New River /Desert Hills area please contact Adedge Technologies, Inc. at (866) 823-3343.

About Adedge Technologies

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