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**BOIL WATER ADVISORY STILL IN EFFECT FOR
PARTS OF DEKALB**

DECATUR – DeKalb County has issued a precautionary boil water advisory for zip codes: **30319, 30340, 30341, 30345, 30033, 30329, 30084, 30087, 30083, 30030, 30002, 30307, 30306, 30079, 30021, 30032, 30333 and 30088 (These are currently the affected zip codes. The county will continue to send updates as information becomes available.)** Residents in the affected areas are being asked to boil water for at least 3 minutes prior to drinking or cooking until further notice.

At approximately 6:50 p.m., on July 22, 2008 DeKalb County Watershed Management officials were notified that the Scott Candler Water Plant lost power due to severe weather in the area.

Watershed officials immediately started working to restore water pressure to the system. There are some reports of low to no water pressure in the affected areas. DeKalb County Health Department is aware of the situation and will work to notify area hospitals and restaurants.

DeKalb County Watershed officials estimate the boil water advisory will be in effect for 24 to 48 hours from the time the first release was issued. For more information or updates, please visit www.yourdekalb.com or www.dekalbwatershed.com.

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Below is additional information concerning the boil water advisory:

- * Do not drink water unless you know it is safe.
- * Do not bathe in the water unless you know it is safe.
- * Do not cook with the water unless you know it is safe.
- * Do not brush teeth with the water unless you know it is safe.
- * **Do NOT use the water in homes or restaurant locations to make ice unless you know it is safe.**

Things you should do:

- * Use bottled water.
- * Boil water for at least 3 minutes if you are told to.
Start counting the 1 minute when water is at a rolling boil.

Ways to feed your baby:

- * Breast-feed or use ready-made formula
- * If you must use water to make formula, use bottled water or boil the water if you don't have bottled water.

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