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T O: All LSU Residents and Students

R E: World Environment Day, June 5, 2003

In line with the celebration of World Environment Day on June 5, 2003 with the theme "*Water: Two Billion People Are Dying For It*". Let us all actively participate in it by conserving water. Office Heads and household members are requested to check leaking faucets and other outlets and have them repaired.

Attached are some water conservation tips from Maynilad Water which I enjoined all to practice.

WATER conserved is a **LIFE** saved.


PACIENCIA P. MILAN
President

Water Conservation Tips

1 THE BASICS

- Always make sure that all taps/faucets are tightly closed. A tap left running wastes 200 liters of water every 5 minutes.
- Check for leaks regularly and have them repaired immediately.
- Recycle water. Use the rinse water from washing clothes or dishes for flushing the toilet, cleaning the car/garage, watering plants, or washing rags.

2 IN THE LAUNDRY

- When washing by hand:
 - Soak heavily soiled clothes first to remove dirt easily.
 - Use a basin or washtub with the right amount of water.
 - Don't let the basin overflow under a running tap.
- When washing by washing machine:
 - Wash with a full load only every other day.
 - Use only the necessary amount of detergent so that less rinsing is required.

3 IN THE BATHROOM

- In using the toilet, avoid unnecessary flushing. One flushing uses up to 20 liters of water.
- In bathing, use a pail and dipper (tabo) instead of the shower. If you must use the shower, turn off the water while you are soaping and shampooing and don't stay under the shower longer than necessary when rinsing. If you must use the bathtub, don't overflow the tub.
- Turn off the tap while washing/shaving or brushing your teeth. Use a glass of water to gargle. Use only short bursts of water from the tap to rinse your toothbrush or razor. This saves about 80% of the water normally used.

4 IN THE KITCHEN

- Soak greasy plates first in hot water. Wash slightly greased utensils first before the greasier ones.
- Don't use running water to soak, soap and rinse your dishes or to clean fruits/vegetables. Instead, use a basin or fill up the sink halfway. If you must use the tap, turn it on only when you are ready to rinse.
- Do not thaw frozen food under a running tap. Bring out frozen food early enough to thaw at room temperature before cooking.
- Use only the right amount of water to cook food.

5 IN THE GARDEN

- Water your plants, garden, or lawn early in the morning, late in the afternoon, or during the cool part of the day. Don't water during windy days or at high noon.
- Don't operate water sprinklers during the warmest parts of the day; half the water will only evaporate.
- Don't water too often. Grass does not need a lot of water. Never soak your lawn with water; soil cannot store excess water anyway.

6 IN THE GARAGE

- When washing your car, use a pail, not a water hose, and a cotton rag instead of a sponge. Not only does this save water; a cotton rag is also friendlier to your car's paint job.
- Don't hose down your driveway. Use a water pail and broom instead.

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