OFFICIAL INMATE GRIEVANCE

TO: FACILITY GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR
FROM: (INMATE NAME & NUMBER)
WORK ASSIGNMENT: 

FACILITY: 
SIGNATURE OF INMATE: 
HOUSING ASSIGNMENT: 

DATE: 1/25/17

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Refer to the DC-ADM 804 for procedures on the inmate grievance system.
2. State your grievance in Block A in a brief and understandable manner.
3. List in Block B any action you may have taken to resolve this matter. Be sure to include the identity of staff members you have contacted.

A. Provide a brief, clear statement of your grievance. Additional paper may be used, maximum two pages (one DC-804 form and one one-sided 8½" x 11" page). State all relief that you are seeking.

Over the last several months, I have repeatedly complained of dirty, brackish, turbid, even black water in the infirmary's tub. In my discussions with c/o Easterday, I've confirmed this situation several times. I've received several responses from my prior grievances, which I believe are misleading, incorrect and untrue.

Several weeks ago, c/o Easterday informed me that he was told by someone looking into this issue that the water's discoloration stems from the water pooling in the pipes (or works to that effect), and if one simply let the water run for 5 minutes, it would clear up.

When I reported for my medically-prescribed bath today (around 8:30 due to waiting some 20-25 mins in the pill line(1) because of the length of the line), I found the water, upon running, dark, turbid and quite discolored. I again showed it to c/o Easterday, who repeated what he told me several weeks earlier.

I let the water run; for 5 minutes; for 10 minutes; for 15 minutes; for 20 minutes—and not only didn't it clear up—it got worse! While the water appeared like tea in the beginning, it looked more like coffee after a 20 minute run. I left the stopper in after the last run, and showed it to the c/o, who replied he 'understood', when I informed him there was no way I could/should get into a tub in that condition.

He made a call (to whom, I don't know) and he explained (as I was then outside the tub room), he explained that the water in the shower room was also running dark, discolored, coffee...

B. List actions taken and staff you have contacted, before submitting this grievance.

(EAs shown in the text, I showed this matter to c/o Easterday, several times this morning.)

Your grievance has been received and will be processed in accordance with DC-ADM 804.

Signature of Facility Grievance Coordinator

Date

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GOLDEN ROD Inmate Copy

DC-ADM 804, Inmate Grievance System Procedures Manual
Section 1 – Grievances & Initial Review
Attachment 1-A

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[Contd. Grievance, p. 2]: colored, and dirty, despite the fact that a man in a wheelchair had just showered in this stuff! This was clearly a situation that went beyond 'a dirty pipe.'

How am I supposed to clean myself in dirty water?

I left the water in the tub, and thereby left it ripe for testing by the person contacted by c/o Easterday.

If this was not done (why wouldn't it be?), I hereby formally request the following:

1) Immediate testing of the water piped into the tub and shower rooms;
2) A clear determination of what substance (or substances) turned the water such a dark, turbid color;
3) Immediate correction of this situation so that 'people won't be further harmed by whatever is in this water.'
4) Please explain how, and when this matter will be corrected.
5) Please provide an alternative which timely provides clean, fresh, safe, untainted water, not just for bathing, but for drinking.
6) Also, I have been informed by people who were in Frackville that the administration provided guys with a gallon of water a day, until the situation was corrected. I respectfully request that such a practice be made here, to protect the health and welfare of the men here who must depend on the institution to provide for their needs.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. Jamal