

GRU Administrative Guideline

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TOPIC: Bottled Water

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DEPARTMENT: Customer Support Services

GENERAL

The intent of this policy is to establish guidelines for the purchase and serving of bottled water at GRU.

PURPOSE

GRU encourages the community to use energy and water in a responsible manner and expects employees to do the same.

OBJECTIVE

The production of bottled water is energy intensive, and research has shown that drinking commercially produced bottled water is no healthier or safer than drinking tap water. Further, GRU's drinking water is treated to very high standards of cleanliness and safety and is much less expensive than bottled water. Therefore, the following guidelines have been established for the purchase of bottled water by GRU employees using GRU funds.

GUIDELINES

- For events held at any GRU facility where tap water is available, tap water will be served. Reusable containers or biodegradable cups are recommended.
- Use of bottled water is permissible at field events, (e.g. the Lineman's Rodeo) if tap water is not easily accessible or is otherwise inconvenient. All plastic bottles used at such events should be recycled.
- Use of water coolers is permissible.

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