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MDEQ Lifts Beach Closure in Biloxi

(Jackson, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), through its Beach Monitoring Program, lifted a beach closure Friday that was issued September 3 for the following beach monitoring station in Harrison County:

- Station 12B – Biloxi East Central Beach – from St. Peter Street east to Dukate Street.

Water samples at this stations show the area has attained acceptable bacteria levels. The Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, which performs water sampling of the Mississippi Gulf Coast beaches for MDEQ, notifies the agency when an area returns to acceptable levels and safe conditions.

A list of stations still under advisory and more information on the Mississippi Beach Monitoring Program are available at: <http://www.usm.edu/gcrl/msbeach/index.cgi>.

To receive beach advisories directly, send an email to rwilbur@deq.state.ms.us for inclusion in a public group email list, text "beach" to 601-863-8082, or follow MDEQ on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/#!/MDEQ>.

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