



MEMORANDUM

DATE: 6-18-18

TO: NPL Clients

FROM: Rhonda Burgard, MPA, MT (ASCP) BB Client Services Supervisor

RE: Test changes

Blue ice packs (Supply item # 800986) are on backorder for an indefinite period of time. We are looking for an alternate supplier. Until more freezer packs are available do not discard the blue ice packs, even if they are leaking. Any blue ice packs that are leaking should put it in a sealed Ziploc or biohazard bag. Any gel leakage will be contained and the ice pack can continue to be used. Do not substitute white gel packs (Supply item #801084). These packs will not maintain frozen specimens at the appropriate temperature. If you have extra blue ice packs in stock please return them to Northern Plains Laboratory.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rhonda Burgard, Client Services Supervisor at 701-530-5700.