## Water Systems Comparison Chart Detailed Comparison **Exchange Tank Reverse Osmosis Bottled Water Water Softener** LifeSource **Cost Per Gallon:** Cost Per Gallon: **Cost Per Gallon: Cost Per Gallon: Cost Per Gallon:** \$0.18 to \$0.25 \$0.79 to \$5.00 \$0.006 to \$0.010 \$0.12 to \$0.23 \$0.00202 Expensive Expensive Expensive Expensive Inexpensive (\$30 - \$75 monthly) • Yearly filter/membrane • Generally good tasting water. • Not generally used for drinking. Provides delicious, clean, odor-• Not generally used for drinking. replacement and maintenance free water from every faucet in costs from \$90 to \$180. a home. • Quality may be no better than • Leaves a slick feeling on skin • Leaves a slick feeling on skin after shower and bath. tap water. after shower and bath. · Excellent for drinking, washing, Aggressive, low ph water. clothes, etc. Plastic bottles should not be re-• Requires frequent replacement Limited amount of water May require bi-weekly of salt (sodium or potassium used. replacement and/or multiple Effective service life varies from available. chloride) exchange tanks. 16-25 years. Bottles may leach PCB's into • For drinking water, requires use Wastes significant amounts of the water. • For drinking water, requires use · Various sizes available water. of reverse osmosis or bottled of reverse osmosis or bottled water. · Plastic bottles create water. • Not good for plants or pets. environmental issues. • NO regular Maintenance or filter Good water for dishwashing. changes. · Deliveries may require driver access to garages. • Does NOT use salt, potassium, • Not good for plants or pets. chemicals or magnets. · Good water for dishwashing. Banned in many communities Installations NOT restricted by due to salt brine backwash.

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