



PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

ANTIRE VALLEY SUBD Public Water System Failed to Conduct an Assessment of the Facility and Distribution System

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, waterborne pathogens may be present or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the distribution system. During recent sampling events, we found coliforms, indicating the need to look for potential problems in water treatment or distribution. When this occurs, we are required to conduct an assessment to identify problems and to correct any problems that are found. We were required to conduct a Level 1 assessment within 30 days of learning of the multiple total coliform-positive (TC+) samples collected for the month of October 2024. A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation. As required by the Revised Total Coliform Rule, *we failed to conduct the required Level 1 assessment* within 30 days, and have therefore, violated a requirement of the Revised Total Coliform Rule.

What should I do?

1. For this type of violation, actions such as boiling drinking water are usually not deemed necessary for the general population. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
2. People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been an emergency, you would have been notified within 24 hours. Failure to correct the identified defect that was found during the assessment has the potential to cause distribution system contamination. *Inadequately treated or inadequately protected water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms can cause symptoms such as diarrhea, nausea, cramps, and associated headaches.* Failure to perform the assessment prolonged the risk of fecal contamination of our distribution system water. While we have not detected any evidence of fecal contamination in our distribution system, we are committed to correcting the deficiency to eliminate the potential threat of contamination.

What happened? What is being done? (Describe corrective action.)

OPENING OF PIPING TO PLUMB NEW TANK INTRODUCED BACTERIA

CHLORINATION OF SYSTEM RESTORED CLEAN DRINKING WATER

For more information, please contact water system staff indicated below:

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Additionally, you may contact the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' St. Louis Regional Office at 314-416-2960 or Public Drinking Water Branch at 573-526-6925.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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