

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre su agua de beber. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Tri-County Joint Municipal Authority Did Not Meet Treatment Requirements

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water for total organic carbon (TOC). This tells us whether we are effectively removing TOC from the water supply. The running annual average (RAA) of our TOC performance ratio fell below the required 1.0. Our RAA removal ratio was 0.875 for the most recent 4 quarters of data ending in June, 2017.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. We do not know of any contamination, and none of our testing has shown disease-causing organisms in the drinking water.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Natural organic matter is common in most streams, rivers, and lakes. This organic material, when combined with chlorine for disinfection, can form compounds called disinfection byproducts such as TTHM (total trihalomethane) and HAA5 (halo acetic acids). Sufficient removal of TOC during the water treatment process must occur in order to reduce the formation of these disinfection byproducts.

WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT WAS DONE?

Even properly designed and well-operated surface water filtration plants may not be able to remove all the organic matter. The treatment process at our plant was not sufficient to remove the required amount of TOC. We anticipate resolving the problem as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Tri County Joint Municipal Authority at 724-377-2211

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.

This notice is being sent to you by Tri-County Joint Municipal Authority.

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