

## FAILURE TO COMPLETE SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA POTABLE. HAGA QUE ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED, O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.

THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF WASHINGTON TWSP recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

A routine inspection conducted on JULY 20, 2022 by the DEP found THE COMBINED FILTER EFFLUENT TURBIDITIES WERE NOT BEING MEASURED AT THE REQUIRED LOCATION AND OUR FILTER TO WASTE OPERATION WAS NOT BEING DONE ACCORDING TO OUR EXISTING PERMIT EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE BEEN TESTING THIS WAY FOR OVER 25 YEARS.

We were required to take action to correct this deficiency. However, we failed to take this action by the deadline established by DEP.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

#### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

*Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.*

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

#### What is being done?

OUR ENGINEERS ARE AMENDING OUR OPERATING PERMIT WITH THE DEP TO ALLOW OUR CURRENT TESTING PROCEDURES TO CONTINUE AND NEW VALVING IS BEING INSTALLED ON THE FILTERS.

We anticipate resolving the problem within THE NEXT 6 MONTHS  
(or the problem was resolved on \_\_\_\_\_).

For more information, please call JAN AMOROSO of THE MUN AUTH OF WASH TWSP  
at (724) 929-3370

*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 THE MUN AUTH OF WASH TWSP.

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