**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**

Important Information About Your Drinking Water

**Copper ACTION LEVEL Exceedance**

***Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.***

Date:

PWS ID:

To: The Customers/Residents of

From:

Compliance Period:

Our public water system recently exceeded a drinking water action level. 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 contaminants. The results of routine water quality samples indicate a copper level of mg/L. This level exceeds the 90th percentile copper action level of 1.3 mg/L.

**What should I do?**

Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson’s Disease should consult their personal doctor. EPA has set the 90th percentile action level for copper at 1.3 mg/L to reduce the risk of these adverse health effects. Drinking water that meets this action level is associated with little or none of this risk and should be considered safe with respect to copper.

If you have been diagnosed with copper intolerance due to a genetic deficiency, please inform your physician that the 90th percentile level of copper in our water is mg/L.

All customers should consider drinking alternative water sources until copper levels in the public water system have been reduced. You should also consider using an alternative source of water for cooking. Parents with infants should use an alternative water source for preparing infant formula. You may continue to use the water for bathing, showering and laundry.

**What is being done?**

The following area(s) have been affected:

The following steps are being taken to correct this violation:

We expect to return to compliance or resolve the situation by

(date)

If you have any questions please contact at or

(owner, operator or designee) (phone #)

by mail at , , ,

 (Street) (Town) (State) (Zip Code)

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.