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DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Monitoring or Reporting Requirements Not Met by City of Highland

The City of Highland public water supply system violated a drinking water standard. Even though this 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 are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During July 2019, we did not monitor for the disinfection byproduct of Haloacetic Acids (HAA) and Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) as required by Kansas Administrative Regulations.

What should I do: You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean: This is not an immediate risk. If it had been you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes and/or haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What happened: A monitoring violation occurred because of failure to complete the mandatory Disinfection Byproduct Testing for Haloacetic Acids (HAA) and Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) during the month of July, 2019, as required by Kansas Administrative Regulations. The sample was taken and analyzed in August, 2019. The results were within the limits but the lateness of the sample produced a Tier 3 violation which requires notice to consumers.

What we are doing: Since it is our desire to provide the safest water possible to our consumers, we have taken the action of paying closer attention to our sampling program, daily record keeping, and are looking into alternative resources for testing or shipping if necessary, in order to prevent future violations. We will call our laboratory early to ensure we have received the necessary bottles for sampling. The problem has been resolved.

For information regarding this notice, please contact city hall at (785) 442-3765 Or by mail: 220 W. Main Street, PO Box 387, Highland, KS 66035

Please share this information with all the 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. Este informe contiene informacion importante acerca d su agua potable. Haga que algeien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien qu lo entienda.