City of Lindsay Does Meet Treatment Requirement for Disinfection Byproducts

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

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Test results show that our system <u>did exceed</u> the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) and/or 5 Haloacidic Acids (HAA5) for this quarter. The MCL standard for TTHM is 0.080 ug/L and for HAA5 is 0.060 ug/L. The LRAA of TTHM and HAA5 at each site is listed below.

Site	ТТНМ	HAA5	Site	ТТНМ	HAA5	Site	ТТНМ	HAA5
S1	0.075	0.018	S2	0.076	0.067	S3	0.067	0.034
S4	0.092	0.055	S5	0.014	0.008	S6	0.022	0.010
S7	0.013	0.007	S8	0.014	0.010	S9	0.069	0.063

What should I do?

You <u>do not</u> need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

Some people who drink water containing TTHM's in excess of the MCL over many years may experience liver, kidney, or central nervous system problems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Some people who drink water containing HAA5's in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What was done?

Disinfection byproducts (TTHM and HAA5) are chemical, organic, and inorganic substances that can form during a reaction of a disinfectant with naturally present organic matter in a water supply. TTHM and HAA5 samples are collected each quarter and a running annual average (RAA) is calculated for compliance.

The city is posting this information as recommended by State Department of Drinking Water. We will continue to collect quarterly samples and integrate results into the LRAA chart and notify all water accounts via US Mail if the LRAA is not in compliance or repost in this format if the LRAA is in compliance.

For more information, please contact Ryan Heinks at 559-562-7102, ext.4 or at the following mailing address: P.O. Box 369, Lindsay, CA. 93247.

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.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- SCHOOLS: Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS: Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by the City of Lindsay.

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