

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS (TTHMs & HAA5s)

Our community water system violated one monitoring requirement of the disinfection byproducts rule. This is based on Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) drinking water standards over the past compliance period. Even though this was not an emergency, the public and our customers, have the right to know what happened and what we did 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 our drinking water meets health standards. During the monitoring period **01/01/2019 - 01/31/2019** we did not monitor properly for **DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS (Chlorites)** and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.*

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do currently.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for this contaminant and how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Chlorite (ClO ₂)	3 samples/month	0	Between January 1, 2019 and January 31, 2019	February 12 th , 2019

What happened? What is being done?

Samples are normally taken on the last 7-10 days of each month. They are then shipped to Eurofins Lab in Indiana with a turn-around time of 5 days. Samples were scheduled to be taken on the 29th of January. All regulated samples are required to be taken in the calendar month. Based on EPA and EPD standards all municipalities have until the 10th of the following month to have all regulated samples tested and turned in to EPD. However, due to low temperatures shipments were delayed until the following week. Since we did not take samples in the calendar month it was too late to get the samples in by the 10th of February for the calendar month of January. Samples were taken on February 12th and the average of the 3 samples was 0.41 mg/l. This is well below the Environmental Protection Agencies EPA's) maximum contaminate level (mcl) of a 1.0 MG/l. Going forward samples will be taken earlier in the month to ensure they make it to the EPD lab on time to compensate for any delays due to natural or manmade emergencies.

For more information, please contact Barry K. Parsons at 770-545-9106

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 City of Social Circle.

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