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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER INFOMACIÓN IMPORTANTE SOBRE SU AGUA POTABLE

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) Violation for Trenton Water Works (State Water System ID# NJ1111001)
Por favor lea a continuación para mas información sobre cómo obtener este aviso en español

Haloacetic Acid 5 (HAA5) MCL Violation for Trenton Water Works (State Water System ID# NJ1111001)
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Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation. Our water system recently violated two drinking water standards.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results of samples collected during the third quarter 2018 show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for TTHM and HAA5. Collectively TTHM and HAA5's are known as Disinfectant Byproducts (DBP's). DBP's form when naturally occurring organic matter combines with disinfectants (e.g. chlorine) added to kill microorganisms.

The MCL for TTHM is 80 µg/L and for HAA5 is 60 ug/L. The MCL violations are determined by averaging all the samples collected at each sampling location for the past 12 months (Locational Running Annual Average or LRAA) for each contaminant. The level for the TTHM exceeded the MCL at three sampling locations at 85, 87 and 91 ug/L. The level for the HAA5 exceeded the MCL at two locations at 63 ug/L.

What should I do?

- **There is nothing you need to do.** You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.
- 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.

What does this mean?

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

Some people who drink water containing TTHMs in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Some people who drink water containing HAA5s in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

Following industry standards, TWW has started a more thorough and systematic flushing of the distribution system and is evaluating the operation of treatment components at the Water Filtration Plant to try to reduce natural organic matter prior to disinfection by optimizing the potassium permanganate dosage and pH control. Also, TWW is in the process of upgrading the Chlorine Contact tanks and replacing the filter media.

For more information, please contact customer service at 609-989-3055 or Trenton Water Works, 333 Cortland Street, PO Box 528, Trenton, NJ 08604-0528.

Please share this information with all 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 email.

Este aviso se puede obtener en español en el sitio web de la Ciudad de Trenton trentonnj.org

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