

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER CHEMICAL MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL) 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.

ICMSA - Arcadia _____ Has Levels of HAA5's _____ Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 07/27/2023 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for HAA5s. The standard for HAA5's is 0.06 mg/l as determined by the Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA). The second quarter LRAA for HAA5's exceeded the MCL at location 751 at 0.0625 mg/l. The exceedance was found at Arcadia Water System _____.

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, HAA5 compounds form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water. People who drink water with HAA5 in excess of the MCL (maximum contaminant level) for many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and may experience problems with their liver, kidneys or central nervous system. If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant or are elderly, you may be at risk and should seek advice from your health care provider.

What happened? What was done?

We exceeded the MCL for the HAA5's for the second quarter of 2023 at one location as determined by the LRAA – locational running annual average. As per the DEP the average for the second quarter and previous three-quarter results is used for compliance. The average of the last 4 quarters was above the MCL and therefore out of compliance. To further lower the HAA5's we will conduct distribution system optimization, including routine flushing and continuous chlorine monitoring as well as additional testing and adding aeration to the reservoir. _____ We anticipate resolving the problem within 90 days _____.

For more information, please contact Tricia Lefko, Compliance Superintendent at ICMSA, 602 Kolter Drive, Indiana, PA 15701, 724-349-6640, ext. 107 or by calling EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 or visiting our web site at www.icmsa.org _____.

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.

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