

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

CHEMICAL OR RADIOLOGICAL 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 - Rossiter Has Levels of TTHM/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 09/11/2023 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for TTHM's and HAA5's. The standard for TTHM's is 0.08 mg/l as determined by the Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA). The fourth quarter LRAA for TTHM's exceeded the MCL at location 742 at 0.09995 mg/l. The standard for HAA5's is 0.06 mg/l as determined by the Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA). The fourth quarter LRAA for HAA5's exceeded the MCL at location 741 at 0.096875 mg/l. The exceedance was found at Rossiter 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, TTHM and HAA5 compounds form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water. People who drink water with TTHM's and HAA5's 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 TTHM's and HAA5's for the fourth quarter of 2023 at both locations as determined by the LRAA - locational running annual average. As per the DEP an average of the fourth quarter and the 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 TTHM's and HAA5's we will conduct distribution system optimization, including routine flushing and continuous chlorine monitoring as well as additional testing.

_____ 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.icomsa.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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