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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien

Valley State Prison (VSP) Has Levels of Arsenic Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently violated 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. Water sample results received in the 2nd quarter, April-June, 2015 Well #1 showed arsenic levels (MCL) or 12.00 Micrograms per liter. Well #2 showed arsenic levels (MCL) or 10.90 Micrograms per liter. Well #1 and Well #2 are above the U.S. EPA standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10.0 Micrograms per liter.

What should I do?

- You do not need to use an alternative water supply (e.g., bottled water).
- *This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years may experience skin damage or circulatory system problems, and may have an increased risk to getting cancer.*
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

VSP is working with Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Facilities Management Division on engineering a arsenic reduction system for institutional Wells #1 & 2. We anticipate resolving the problem within 18 months to 36 months.

For more information, please contact Allen St. Lucia, Chief Engineer I at 6271 or the Southern California Drinking Water Field Operations Branch, Att. Kassy Chauhan, District Engineer, 265 W. Bullard Avenue, Suite 101, Fresno, CA 93704, Phone (559) 447-3316 Fax (559) 447-3304, e-mail {kassy.chauhan@cdph.ca.gov}.

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 public 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 [VSP].

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