

Total Haloacetic Acids MCL Template

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Hillsboro Water System Has Levels of Total Haloacetic Acids Above Drinking Water Standards

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 happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 12 /31 /2009 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for total haloacetic acids (HAA5). The standard for HAA5 is 60 micrograms per liter (ug/L). The average level of HAA5 over the last year was 64.

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, some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

What happened? What is being done?

Hillsboro takes four (4) HAA5 tests per year. We moved to the new treatment facility on May 1, 2009. The first tests using water treated from the new plant was very high. Since that time plant personal have continually worked on optimizing the disinfection system to get the best performance from the plant and keep the HAA5 level below the 60(ug/L). We anticipate resolving the problem within the first quarter of 2010 (January thru March)

For more information, please contact Roger Fath at 532-2163 or 447 S. Main ST, Hillsboro].

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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