

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Enter Water System Name Has Levels of ARSENIC 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 did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On 6/15 we received notice that the sample collected on 6/10 showed that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/L. The average level of arsenic over the last year has been [provide level]. OR arsenic was found at [provide level].

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. Boiling the water does not reduce the chemical level. Boiling the water can make the chemical more concentrated, because the chemical remains behind when the water is evaporated. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- 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, you would have been notified within 24 hours. However, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

Business Oregon is reviewing the water feasibility study that was performed this year - based on their determination we will proceed to next steps for updating the water system.

For more information, please contact Nicole Nelson at 206-446-1640 or PO Box 46217 Seattle, WA 98126.

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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