
2023 Annual Water Quality Report

Black Mountain Utility District Serving the Communities of:

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Louellen – Rosspoint – Sukey Ridge – Wallins

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**Black Mountain Utility District - Coxton
2023 Water Quality Report**

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Meetings: Utility District Office / Second Tuesday each month at 6:00 pm

The Black Mountain Utility District purchases water from Harlan Municipal Water Works. Harlan's water treatment plant withdraws surface water from the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River. A Source Water Assessment Plan indicates that the source water is susceptible to contamination from bacteria, metals, and sediment. Land use within the Poor Fork watershed is composed mostly of residential, mining, and logging activities. The assessment shows that the susceptibility to contamination is moderate. Activities and land within the watershed can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to water treatment or even get into your drinking water. These activities and how they are conducted, are of interest to our customers because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. The complete source water assessment can be reviewed at Harlan Municipal Water Works office located at 203 River St. Harlan, KY 40831.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your local water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your local water system. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Coxton

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.16 (highest average)	0.35 to 1.32	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	38 (high site average)	21 to 47 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	64 (high site average)	50.5 to 85.3 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
Household Plumbing Contaminants							
Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.0085 (90 th percentile)	0.007 to 0.009	Aug-21	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Violation ID 2023-923

Our water system failed to comply with required testing procedures. Even though this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

**We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the 1st quarter of 2023 (January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023) we failed to sample for Disinfection By-Products (Haloacetic Acids & Trihalomethanes).*

*Therefore, we could not verify the quality of your drinking water to the primacy agency during that time.**

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You may continue to drink the water. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

We are required to collect Disinfection By-Products once per quarter in the 2nd week of the months of February, May, August and November and failed to do so. We have implemented procedures to hopefully prevent similar violations in the future.

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Violation ID 2023-9950522

Our water system failed to submit our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report by July 1st of 2023. The link we sent to you our customers on our bills for the Consumer Confidence Report was incorrect, we have since rectified that issue and the link we are now using will take you the proper page with our Consumer Confidence Report information contained on it.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Harlan Municipal Water Works

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.17 (lowest average)	1.00 to 1.65 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC removal achieved to the % TOC removal required. Annual average must be 1.00 or greater for compliance.							
Other Constituents							
Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels		Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity	
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples		0.29	100	No	Soil runoff	

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Dayhoit

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.25 (highest average)	0.88 to 1.95	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	36 (high site average)	18 to 49 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	63 (high site average)	37.9 to 86.9 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
Household Plumbing Contaminants							
Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.016 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0.267	Aug-21	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Lead [1030] (ppb) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 15	0	0 (90 th percentile)	0 to 3	Aug-21	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Violation ID 2023-928

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Violation ID 2023-9610206

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Harlan Municipal Water Works

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Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.17 (lowest average)	1.00 to 1.65 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.

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**Black Mountain Utility District - Kenvir
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Black Mountain Utility District purchases water from Evarts Municipal Water Works. The Evarts Water Treatment Plant relies upon a combination of groundwater and surface water sources by withdrawing water from wells, a mine and two streams in the area. A source water assessment plan has been developed, as has a wellhead protection plan. As part of these plans a susceptibility analysis has been performed to determine the impact of various land use on our sources of water. The major threats identified in the analysis are: logging, mining, transportation corridors and wastewater discharge. The overall susceptibility of the Evarts water supply is considered moderate. Under certain circumstances activities within the watershed could release contaminants and thereby pose potential risks to your drinking water. These activities, and how they are conducted, are of interest to the entire community because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. The complete source water assessment and wellhead protection plans may be reviewed at Evarts City Hall.

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Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.011 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0.012	Sep-21	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

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Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.20	0.20 to 0.20	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.04 (lowest average)	1.00 to 3.14 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.
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Violation: Treatment Technique for IESWTR/LT1 Rule (2024-9901622 & 2024-9901623)

Evarts received two violations for failing to meet the treatment technique requirement for turbidity by exceeding 0.3 NTU in over 5% of the combined filter effluent samples collected in the compliance period 11/01/2023 - 11/30/2023 and for exceeding the MCL (1.0 ntu) for turbidity during the same period. The issue arose from turbid waters being pumped in from our river pumps after a mudslide upstream from our river intake. The river pumps were turned off to keep the muddy water, that the plant could not properly treat, from entering into our treatment plant until the river cleared. We have another river pump site approved for withdrawal in the Yocum Creek branch flowing into the Cloverfork of the Cumberland River as it is a much clearer water source and less susceptible to getting muddy as the main channel of the river. The public notice for these violations was distributed to all

Health Effects:

Turbidity. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

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The Black Mountain Utility District purchases water for our customers in Green Hills from Pineville Water System and Harlan Municipal Water Works. Pineville and Harlan treats surface water from Cannon Creek Lake and Poor Fork of the Cumberland River, respectively. The Source Water Assessment Plan shows that the susceptibility to contamination for both sources is moderate. The plan indicates that the source water is susceptible to contamination from bacteria, metals, and sediment. Land use within the Poor Fork watershed is composed mostly of residential, mining, and logging activities whereas the Cannon Creek watershed is subject to logging. Activities and land within the watershed can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to water treatment or even get into your drinking water. These activities, and how they are conducted, are of interest to our customers because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. The complete source water assessments can be reviewed at Cumberland Valley Area Development District in London, KY.

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The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your local water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your local water system. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Not Applicable (N/A) - does not apply.

Parts per million (ppm) - or milligrams per liter, (mg/l). One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Green Hills

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.32 (highest average)	1.02 to 1.45	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	28 (high site average)	15 to 34 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	51 (high site average)	21 to 62.4 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Household Plumbing Contaminants

Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.096 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0.13	Jun-22	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Lead [1030] (ppb) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 15	0	4 (90 th percentile)	0 to 6	Jun-22	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Violation ID 2023-9604317

Our water system failed to submit our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report by July 1st of 2023. The link we sent to you our customers on our bills for the Consumer Confidence Report was incorrect, we have since rectified that issue and the link we are now using will take you the proper page with our Consumer Confidence Report information contained on it.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results Harlan Mun. Water Works (H) Pineville Water System (P)

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Source	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	H=	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
			P=	0.009	0.009 to 0.009	2023	No	
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	H=	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
			P=	0.90	0.90 to 0.90	2023	No	

Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors

Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (report level=lowest avg. range of monthly ratios)	TT*	N/A	H=	1.17	1.00 to 1.65	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.
			P=	1.02	1.00 to 1.32	2023	No	

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Other Constituents

Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels	Source	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% monthly samples	H=	0.29	100	No	Soil runoff
		P=	0.019	100	No	

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Louellen

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.93 (highest average)	1.33 to 2.2	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	35 (high site average)	11 to 50 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	49 (high site average)	17.4 to 79.9 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Household Plumbing Contaminants

Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0	Sep-21		Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Lead [1030] (ppb) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 15	0	0 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0	Sep-21		Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Violation ID 2023-9639722

Our water system failed to submit our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report by July 1st of 2023. The link we sent to you our customers on our bills for the Consumer Confidence Report was incorrect, we have since rectified that issue and the link we are now using will take you the proper page with our Consumer Confidence Report information contained on it.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Everts Municipal Water

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.43	0.43 to 0.43	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.20	0.20 to 0.20	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth

Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors

Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.04 (lowest average)	1.00 to 3.14 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.
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Other Constituents

Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	6.8	93	Yes	Soil runoff

Violation: Treatment Technique for IESWTR/LT1 Rule (2024-9901622 & 2024-9901623)

Everts received two violations for failing to meet the treatment technique requirement for turbidity by exceeding 0.3 NTU in over 5% of the combined filter effluent samples collected in the compliance period 11/01/2023 - 11/30/2023 and for exceeding the MCL (1.0 ntu) for turbidity during the same period. The issue arose from turbid waters being pumped in from our river pumps after a mudslide upstream from our river intake. The river pumps were turned off to keep the muddy water, that the plant could not properly treat, from entering into our treatment plant until the river cleared. We have another river pump site approved for withdrawal in the Yocum Creek branch flowing into the Cloverfork of the Cumberland River as it is a much clearer water source and less susceptible to getting muddy as the main channel of the river. The public notice for these violations was distributed to all

Health Effects:

Turbidity. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Rosspoint

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.30 (highest average)	1.05 to 1.45	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	35 (high site average)	20 to 45 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	59 (high site average)	38.3 to 81.2 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Violation ID 2023-924

Our water system failed to comply with required testing procedures. Even though this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

**We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the 1st quarter of 2023 (January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023) we failed to sample for Disinfection By-Products (Haloacetic Acids & Trihalomethanes).*

*Therefore, we could not verify the quality of your drinking water to the primacy agency during that time.**

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You may continue to drink the water. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

We are required to collect Disinfection By-Products once per quarter in the 2nd week of the months of February, May, August and November and failed to do so. We have implemented procedures to hopefully prevent similar violations in the future.

For more information, please contact Grant Cooper at 606-573-1277 or 609 Fourmile Rd., Baxter, KY 40806.

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.

Violation ID 2023-9610820

Our water system failed to submit our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report by July 1st of 2023. The link we sent to you our customers on our bills for the Consumer Confidence Report was incorrect, we have since rectified that issue and the link we are now using will take you the proper page with our Consumer Confidence Report information contained on it.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Harlan Municipal Water Works

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.17 (lowest average)	1.00 to 1.65 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.

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Other Constituents

Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	0.29	100	No	Soil runoff

**Black Mountain Utility District - Sukey Ridge
2023 Water Quality Report**

Manager: Grant Cooper
Address: 609 Fourmile Road Baxter, KY 40806
Meetings: Utility District Office / Second Tuesday each month at 6:00 pm

CCR Contact: Grant Cooper

PWSID: KY0480461
Phone: 606-573-1277

The Black Mountain Utility District purchases water from Harlan Municipal Water Works. Harlan's water treatment plant withdraws surface water from the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River. A Source Water Assessment Plan indicates that the source water is susceptible to contamination from bacteria, metals, and sediment. Land use within the Poor Fork watershed is composed mostly of residential, mining, and logging activities. The assessment shows that the susceptibility to contamination is moderate. Activities and land within the watershed can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to water treatment or even get into your drinking water. These activities and how they are conducted, are of interest to our customers because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. The complete source water assessment can be reviewed at Harlan Municipal Water Works office located at 203 River St. Harlan, KY 40831.

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Sukey Ridge

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Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.11 (highest average)	0.55 to 1.33	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	35 (high site average)	15 to 46 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	62 (high site average)	39.7 to 82 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Violation ID 2023-927

Our water system failed to comply with required testing procedures. Even though this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

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Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Harlan Municipal Water Works

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Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.17 (lowest average)	1.00 to 1.65 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.

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Other Constituents

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Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples	0.29	100	No	Soil run off

Black Mountain Utility District - Wallins
2023 Water Quality Report

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Meetings: Utility District Office / Second Tuesday each month at 6:00 pm

The Black Mountain Utility District purchases water from Harlan Municipal Water Works. Harlan's water treatment plant withdraws surface water from the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River. A Source Water Assessment Plan indicates that the source water is susceptible to contamination from bacteria, metals, and sediment. Land use within the Poor Fork watershed is composed mostly of residential, mining, and logging activities. The assessment shows that the susceptibility to contamination is moderate. Activities and land within the watershed can pose potential risks to your drinking water. Under certain circumstances contaminants could be released that would pose challenges to water treatment or even get into your drinking water. These activities and how they are conducted, are of interest to our customers because they potentially affect your health and the cost of treating your water. The complete source water assessment can be reviewed at Harlan Municipal Water Works office located at 203 River St. Harlan, KY 40831.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects may be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and may pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, (sewage plants, septic systems, livestock operations, or wildlife). Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, (naturally occurring or from stormwater runoff, wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming). Pesticides and herbicides, (stormwater runoff, agriculture or residential uses). Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, (by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, or from gas stations, stormwater runoff, or septic systems). Radioactive contaminants, (naturally occurring or from oil and gas production or mining activities). In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water to provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your local water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your local water system. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Some or all of these definitions may be found in this report:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Below Detection Levels (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

Not Applicable (N/A) - does not apply.

Parts per million (ppm) - or milligrams per liter, (mg/l). One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) - or micrograms per liter, ($\mu\text{g/L}$). One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.

Variance & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Spanish (Español) Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

The data presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with administrative regulations in 401 KAR Chapter 8. As authorized and approved by EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data in this table, though representative, may be more than one year old. **Copies of this report are available upon request by contacting our office during business hours.**

Regulated Contaminant Test Results Black Mountain Utility District - Wallins

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	1.32 (highest average)	0.92 to 1.57	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
HAA (ppb) (Stage 2) [Haloacetic acids]	60	N/A	34 (high site average)	19 to 44 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
TTHM (ppb) (Stage 2) [total trihalomethanes]	80	N/A	66 (high site average)	37.9 to 82.2 (range of individual sites)	2023	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
Household Plumbing Contaminants							
Copper [1022] (ppm) Round 1 sites exceeding action level 0	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.011 (90 th percentile)	0 to 0.027	Aug-21	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Violation ID 2023-926

Our water system failed to comply with required testing procedures. Even though this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

**We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the 1st quarter of 2023 (January 1, 2023 – March 31, 2023) we failed to sample for Disinfection By-Products (Haloacetic Acids & Trihalomethanes).*

*Therefore, we could not verify the quality of your drinking water to the primacy agency during that time.**

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You may continue to drink the water. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

We are required to collect Disinfection By-Products once per quarter in the 2nd week of the months of February, May, August and November and failed to do so. We have implemented procedures to hopefully prevent similar violations in the future.

For more information, please contact Grant Cooper at 606-573-1277 or 609 Fourmile Rd., Baxter, KY 40806.

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.

Violation ID 2023-8930636

Our water system failed to submit our 2022 Consumer Confidence Report by July 1st of 2023. The link we sent to you our customers on our bills for the Consumer Confidence Report was incorrect, we have since rectified that issue and the link we are now using will take you the proper page with our Consumer Confidence Report information contained on it.

Regulated Contaminant Test Results - Harlan Municipal Water Works

Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Report Level	Range of Detection	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	0.061	0.061 to 0.061	2023	No	Drilling wastes; metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	0.76	0.76 to 0.76	2023	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth
Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts and Precursors							
Total Organic Carbon (ppm) (measured as ppm, but reported as a ratio)	TT*	N/A	1.17 (lowest average)	1.00 to 1.65 (monthly ratios)	2023	No	Naturally present in environment.
*Monthly ratio is the % TOC removal achieved to the % TOC removal required. Annual average must be 1.00 or greater for compliance.							
Other Constituents							
Turbidity (NTU) TT * Representative samples	Allowable Levels		Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation	Likely Source of Turbidity	
Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of the water and not a contaminant.	No more than 1 NTU* Less than 0.3 NTU in 95% of monthly samples		0.29	100	No	Soil run off	