

# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

## 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.

# Trumbauersville Municipal Waterworks Has Levels of Arsenic 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. The final draft report for first quarter analyses of EP 101 and 102 was received on 02/28/24. Prior analyses show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 mg/L. Arsenic was found at a level at EP 101 of 0.010 mg/L and EP 102 was found at 0.019 mg/L in your drinking water. Please note that these numbers are running annual averages.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. 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.

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, <u>Some people who</u> 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 happened? What was done? This notice confirms the previous one we sent last quarter. It includes subsequent testing in the first quarter 2024. Repairs to EP 101 (Well 2) have been completed, Well 2 is now online. Well 3 (EP 102) has now been taken offline for repairs. We are awaiting approval to install a new arsenic removal system at Well 3. We are working closely with the engineers and PADEP to continue to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

Based on the results for EP 101 for the first quarter of 2024, we are currently serving water that meets the MCL, since Well 2 is the only well online now. This public notice is being supplied to you to capture the Running Annual Average, from last year until now. We anticipate being able to continue to serve water that meets the MCL and are looking forward to performing upgrades to the system to ensure that this problem does not reoccur.

For more information, please contact <u>Dani McClanahan - Borough Administrator</u> at <u>215-536-1761</u>.

This notice is being sent to you by Trumbauersville Municipal Waterworks.

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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