

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER MONITORING REQUIREMENTS NOT MET FOR GENEVA WATER DEPARTMENT

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 are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. The results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets EPA's health standards. The 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2020 testing for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) was either not performed or failed to comply with all the requirements of the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule (Stage 2 DBPR); therefore, we cannot be sure of the quality of the water at that time.

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. Some people who drink trihalomethanes in excess of the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. 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? When sample was taken in August of 2020, the sample was taken from the wrong location, causing the failure to comply with sampling. The sample we tested at the wrong location did pass the test. Sample location has been corrected.

We anticipate resolving the problem within January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

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