

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER SCRANTON WATER SYSTEM 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 are doing to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on July 19, 2011 show 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 was 0.011 mg/L.

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 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 is being done?

The four quarter average for arsenic exceeded the standard of 0.010 mg/L. We are already in the process of looking into new treatment options to rectify this situation as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Dee Jay Byerly at 712-652-3851 or by mail at PO Box 428, Scranton, Iowa 51462.

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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