# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

# Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule Results for the Lake Utility Services North Water System

Every five years, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) undertakes sampling under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR). The purpose of UCMR is to collect data from water systems about contaminants that may be present in drinking water. The EPA uses this data to decide if specific unregulated contaminants occur at frequencies and concentrations high enough to be regulated in the future.

Sunshine Water Services – Lake Utility Service North Water System is participating in the EPA's fifth round of UCMR testing, known as UCMR5, which required us to sample for 30 chemical contaminants. The samples were tested using analytical methods approved by EPA. The contaminants tested included 29 per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and lithium.

Our water system has sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that don't yet have a drinking water standard set by USEPA. The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a standard. UCMR5 will provide new data that supports EPA's understanding of the frequency that contaminants are found in the nation's drinking water systems, and at what levels.

It's important to keep in mind that no enforceable health standards (for example, maximum contaminant levels) have been established at the present time for any of these contaminants the EPA is evaluating under the UCMR. It can be a lengthy process to set drinking water regulations, but it is important that EPA completes its thorough, scientific process to fully understand the potential health impacts, maximum contaminant levels, analytical methods, and treatment methods to provide utilities with proven, consistent standards.

#### What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other actions.

### **Availability of Monitoring Data for Unregulated Contaminants**

As our customers, you have a right to know that this data is available. Unregulated contaminants that were detected are provided in the tables below and are also available by visiting the Water Quality webpage here – <a href="https://www.myutility.us/sunshinewater/water-safety/water-quality-reports">https://www.myutility.us/sunshinewater/water-safety/water-quality-reports</a> or contact Katie Stroud at 866-842-8432.

If you would like more information on EPA's Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule, please call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or visit <a href="https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr">www.epa.gov/dwucmr</a>.

#### What is being done?

We will take appropriate actions to meet any new regulations. Our focus remains, as always, on supplying our customers with safe and reliable water service. We are currently working diligently internally and with engineering consultants to find a long-term solution to the levels of PFAS.

Unregulated Contaminants					
Contaminant and Unit of  Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo/yr)	Level Detected (average)	Range	Likely Source of Contamination	
Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	5.85	2.6 - 13	PFAS are a group of synthetic chemicals used in a wide range of consumer products and industrial applications including: non-stick cookware, water-repellent clothing, stain-resistant fabrics and carpets, cosmetics, firefighting foams, electroplating, and products that resist grease, water, and oil. PFAS are found in the blood of people and animals and in water, air, fish, and soil at locations across the United States and the world.	
Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	0.98	ND – 2.9		
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	2.41	1.4 – 3.7		
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	6.54	2.6 -14		
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	4.51	2 - 10		
Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	1.71	ND – 4.2		
Perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	2.04	ND – 3.7		
H, 1H, 2H, 2H- perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (6:2 FTS) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	1.28	ND – 4.9		
Perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	2.31	ND – 5.7		
Perfluoroheptanesulfonic Acid (PFHpS) ppt	2/24 – 8/24	0.14	ND – 1.1		

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.

For more information, please contact:

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