Mandatory Language for a Maximum Contaminant Level Violation MCL, LRAA/ TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the LOMETA REGIONAL WATER TX1410002 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total haloacetic acids (group of five). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total haloacetic acids (group of five) to be 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on a locational running annual average (LRAA), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for total haloacetic acids indicates a compliance value for quarter three of 2024 of 0.070 mg/L at sample point DBP2-01.

Haloacetic acids are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with naturally-occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

A new plant has been constructed at the Lometa Regional Water System which will prevent recurrence of this exceedance. The plant is operational; however, the system is waiting for final approval from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality which is expected in March 2025.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., 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.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may co	ntact <u>HALE</u>	Y NUNN at
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