

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## Drinking Water Contains High Levels of Disinfection By-Products

### NOTICE OF STANDARD MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL ("MCL") VIOLATIONS

The Exeter Water Dept. water system recently violated drinking water standards. Although this is  
(name of water system)  
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 locational running annual average ("LRAA") is determined by averaging all the samples collected at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters. The LRAA standard for Total Trihalomethanes ("TTHM") is 0.080 mg/L. The LRAA standard for Haloacetic Acid 5 ("HAA5") is 0.060 mg/L. Testing results for the

2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2016 show that our system exceeds the maximum contaminant level for TTHM (Total Trihalomethanes) when calculating the LRAA.

The LRAA of TTHM exceeded the MCL of 0.080 mg/L at one or more of our system's sampling location(s).

For Quarter 2 - 2016:

The LRAA was(were) 0.100 mg/L, 0.114 mg/L, 0.095 mg/L, \_\_\_\_\_ mg/L  
(fill in LRAA value for each site that exceeded the MCL)

#### What does this mean?

**This is not an emergency.** If it had been you would have been notified immediately. However, *some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the 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 should I do?

It is not necessary to use alternate water; however, if you have specific health concerns, please contact your health care professional. General health related questions may be directed to Dave Gordon of the DES Environmental Health Program at (603) 271-4608.

**Steps We Are Taking:** The Town's new Lary Lane Ground Water Treatment Plant (GWTP) is currently supplying over 60% of low TTHM water. The Town's water treatment consultant is performing pilot testing as approved by the NHDES to determine the best management practices to reduce surface water TTHMs.

We anticipate resolving the problem 6 months (2 Quarters) For more information, please  
contact Paul A Roy, PE of Exeter Water Department at (603) 772 - 1346  
(name of water system contact) (name of system or company) (telephone #)  
or 13 Newfields Road, Exeter, NH 03833  
(address)

*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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