

## **NOTICE: CITY OF TIMPSON WATER CUSTOMERS**

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) HAS NOTIFIED THE CITY OF TIMPSON TX 2100003 THAT THE DRINKING WATER BEING SUPPLIED TO CUSTOMERS HAD EXCEEDED THE MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL) FOR TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES. THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (U.S. EPA) HAS ESTABLISHED THE MCL FOR TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES TO BE 0.080 MILLIGRAMS PER LITER (MG/L) BASED ON LOCATIONAL RUNNING ANNUAL AVERAGE (LRAA), AND HAS DETERMINED THAT IT IS A HEALTH CONCERN AT LEVELS ABOVE THE MCL. ANALYSIS OF COMPLIANCE VALUE IN QUARTER ONE OF 2022 OF 0.106 MG/L FOR DBP2-01 AND 0.083MG/L FOR DBP2-02. TRIHALOMETHANES 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 TRIHALOMETHANES IN EXCESS OF THE MCL OVER MANY YEARS MAY EXPERIENCE PROBLEMS WITH THEIR LIVER, KIDNEY, OR CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM, AND 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.

THE CITY OF TIMPSON IS TAKING THE FOLLOWING ACTION TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE: THE CITY OF TIMPSON IS IN A TRIAL WITH A NEW TREATMENT PROCESS AND WILL PERFORM MORE ENHANCED FLUSHING TO HELP REDUCE THE TTHM LEVEL.

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL OTHER 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 ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, YOU MAY CONTACT LARRY BURNS AT 936-254-2421.