IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Consumer Notice Requirements Not Met for West Tisbury Elementary School

Our water system did not provide consumer notice within 30 days of receipt of the results. Even though this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations. We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the June 1st to September 30th, 2022, monitoring period we did not provide Consumer Notice as required by MassDEP.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What happened? What is being done?

There is nothing to be done at this time. Next cycle we will provide the consumer notice within 30 days of receiving the results. Lead and Copper results tested under the state action levels. The school results were Lead 0 mg/L and Copper 0.24 mg/L. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) set the Lead Action Level for lead in drinking water at 0.015 mg/l (or parts per million) and the Copper Action Level at 1.3 mg/l. Because lead may pose serious health risks, the EPA and MassDEP also set a Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) for lead of zero. The MCLG for copper is 1.3 mg/l.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our public water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. More information on lead in drinking water and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at: http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

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