

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met For Woonsocket Water Division  
PWS# RI1559518

Our water system violated a drinking water standard over the past year. Although this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened, and what we did to correct the situation.

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. Between the dates of 7/1/2021 to 12/31/2021, we did not monitor for some water quality parameters at our drinking water source and distribution system related to our lead and/or copper action level exceedance and between the dates of 7/1/2021 to 12/31/2021 we did not monitor for Chlorite in the distribution system and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

#### **What should I do?**

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for the contaminant(s) and how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Source	Contaminant	Required number of Samples	Number of Samples Taken	When Sample(s) Should Have Been Taken	When Sample(s) Will Be Taken
Distribution System (DS001)	Water Quality Parameters*	1 Sample	0	7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021	Follow current monitoring schedule
Treatment Plant New 2021 (TP004)	Water Quality Parameters**	3 Samples	0	7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021	Follow current monitoring schedule
Distribution System (DS001)	Chlorite	3 samples per month x 6 months = 18 samples	0	7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021	Follow current monitoring schedule

\*pH (1)

\*\*pH (1), Alkalinity (1), and Orthophosphate (1)

**What is being done?** Sampling and testing procedures were corrected prior to the required 2022 January sampling. Corrected sampling and testing procedures are currently being used to monitor water quality in Woonsocket. In house samples taken during that time were in acceptable ranges. All subsequent sample results, using the proper sampling and testing procedures, have been in acceptable ranges.

For more information please contact, Woonsocket Public Works Director, Steve D'Agostino at 401-767-1413.

*Please share this information with all 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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