

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA** pennsylvania DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION **BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER**

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## CHEMICAL OR RADIOLOGICAL MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL) EXCEEDANCE

ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA POTABLE. HAGA QUE ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED, O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.

### **Duncannon Borough Water Has Levels of Arsenic Above Drinking Water Standards**

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

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 6/28/21 that were sample on 6/1/21 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for

The standard for Arsenic is 10.0 ppb. Arsenic was found at a level of 11.3 in your drinking water.

#### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

### What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of EPA's standard over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. You may wish to consult your health care provider.

What happened? What was done? During routine testing the sample results were over the MCL. We are working with DEP to increase the frequency at which we test the water for Arsenic.

We anticipate resolving the problem within a reasonable timeframe. In an effort to address this issue, we continue to work closely with DEP to reduce the Arsenic levels.

For more information, please contact the Duncannon Borough Office at 717-834-4311.

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.

This notice is being sent to you by Duncannon Borough.

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