

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for the City of Cedar Springs

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 September 2015 we did not complete all monitoring or testing total coliform bacteria 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. This is not an emergency. You do not need to boil water or use an alternative source of water at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during September 2015 how often we are supposed to sample for this contaminant and how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date we collected followup samples.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	Date additional samples were (or will be) taken
Total Coliform Bacteria	5 samples	4	09/01/2015 to 09/30/2015	10/01/2015 to 10/31/2015

What happened? What is being done? A routine sample tested positive for total coliform during August 2015. All follow up sampling indicated that the water was safe and met State and Federal drinking water standards and no violation occurred. However, any time a routine sample tests positive for total coliform the water supply is required to collect no less than five routine samples during the next month. Because a positive sample is such a rare event for the City we inadvertently overlooked the requirement to collect the extra sample during October. The City is making efforts to ensure that all sampling is conducted properly in the future.

For more information, please contact Thomas Stressman at 616-696-1330 or the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality at 616-250-1053.

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 the City of Cedar Springs.

CERTIFICATION:

WSSN: 01260

I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification regulations in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended, and the administrative rules.

Signature: 

Title: Operator in Charge

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