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September 25, 2007

Re: DARKE COUNTY
BECKMAN-GAST CAMP 3
TRANSIENT WATER SYSTEM
PWS ID# OH1937512

Beckman-Gast Camp
282 West Kremer Hoying Road
Box 307
St. Henry, Ohio 45883

**Subject: Notice of Violation of Monthly Maximum Contaminant Level
for Total Coliform Bacteria**

Your public water system incurred a **monthly** violation of rule 3745-81-14 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) in September 2007.

A monthly violation of rule 3745-81-14 occurs when more than one or greater than five percent of your samples within the month were total coliform-positive.

Actions required as a result of the above violation	
Step 1	Within 30 days issue the attached public notice of the violation in accordance with rule 3745-81-32 of the Ohio Administrative Code by the following method(s) to reach all persons served by the public water system: 1. posting in conspicuous locations (restrooms, drinking fountains, common areas, bulletin boards, etc.);and 2. public notice must be in the language of the migrant labors The language in italics on the attached public notice is mandatory and must be included as written.
Step 2	Immediately initiate an investigation to determine and eliminate the cause and extent of bacterial contamination.
Step 3	Fill out the attached verification form and send along with a copy of the public notification issued within 10 days to the Southwest District Office of the Ohio EPA.
Step 4	Because you are required to monitor with at least five (5) samples in the next month following any total coliform-positive result you must take at least five (5) total coliform samples in October 2007.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6114.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David R. Secor".

David R. Secor
Compliance Coordinator
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosures

cc: Toni Buchanan, DDAGW, CO
Darke County Health Department

DRS/plh

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Tests showed coliform bacteria in BECKMAN-GAST CAMP 3 water

**Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.**

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took Five (5) samples for coliform bacteria during September 2007. Two (2) of those samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. No more than [1 sample per month/5 percent of our samples] may show the presence of coliform bacteria during a month.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly people may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.
- Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's treatment or distribution systems.
- *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*

Fecal coliform or *E. coli*, which are bacteria of greater concern, were not detected in the follow-up testing.

What is being done?

We are still detecting coliform bacteria. We are investigating and taking the necessary steps to correct the problem as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact _____ at _____ or _____.
name of contact phone number mailing address

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

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.

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