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OH8200603 Vinton County Water Company 6/6/2007

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Re: Vinton County
Vinton County Water Comp
Community Water System
PWS ID: OH8200603

CERTIFIED MAIL
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VINTON COUNTY WATER COMPANY
311 WEST MAIN STREET
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RE: HALOACETIC ACIDS, FIVE (HAA5) MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL EXCEEDANCE

Dear Public Water System Owner:

This letter is notification that your public water system is in violation of rule 3745-81-12 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). Vinton County Water Comp has exceeded the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for HAA5 within the January 1 through March 31, 2007 time period.

Paragraph B of rule 3745-81-12 establishes an MCL of 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L) for HAA5. Compliance with the MCL is based on the running annual average of four consecutive quarters of samples. The current running annual average for HAA5 is 0.061 mg/L.

As a result of this violation, rule 3745-81-32 of the OAC requires that a public notice be issued by your facility informing your consumers of the violation. Included with this violation is a public notice containing the mandatory health effects language that must appear in the notice. If you wish to make additional statements in the notice, this office must be contacted first. The public notice must be issued within 30 days as specified in the enclosed "Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form for Community Public Water Systems with Tier 2 Violations". Please complete and return this form along with a copy of the public notice, once it is issued.

Vinton County Water Comp public water system is required to continue monitoring according to your most recent Chemical Monitoring Distribution Schedule. For questions concerning the public notice requirement, please contact me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Sarah E. Byerly
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosures: Public Notice and Verification Form for Tier 2 Violations

cc: Superintendent/Manager; SEDO, DDAGW; DDAGW; Vinton County Health Department

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Vinton County Water Comp Has Levels of Haloacetic Acids, five Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Haloacetic Acids, five (HAA5). The sample(s) collected on January 10, 2007 show HAA5 at 0.043 mg/L. The average level of HAA5 over the last year was 0.061 mg/L. The standard for HAA5 is 0.060 mg/L.

What Should I Do?

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?

The levels detected do not pose an immediate risk to your health. However, some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What Is Being Done?

We are investigating and taking the necessary steps to correct the problem as soon as possible.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Vinton County Water Comp at:

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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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Date Distributed: _____