



May 13, 2013

Re: Paulding County
Grover Hill Elementary
NTNC Public Water System
PWSID: OH6330912
STU: 6357107

Wayne Trace Local School Dist
4915 US 127
Haviland, Ohio, 45851

Dear Public Water System Owner:

Ohio EPA records indicate that the Grover Hill Elementary exceeded the secondary maximum contaminant level (SMCL) for fluoride when a sample collected on February 24, 2010 detected fluoride at 2.1 mg/L. The SMCL for fluoride, per Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 3745-82-02, is 2.0 mg/L.

To address the SMCL violation, the Grover Hill Elementary is required to take the following actions:

1. ISSUE PUBLIC NOTICE

Within thirty days, issue public notice according to the enclosed instructions. Send the completed verification form and a copy of the public notice to my attention at the address below within ten days after the notice is issued. The enclosed draft public notice contains mandatory language and may be used verbatim. If you wish to make any changes to this draft, telephone this office for verbal authorization before the public notice is issued.

Annual notification is required as outlined above as long as your public water system exceeds the SMCL for fluoride. If you have already issued an annual notice for the calendar year 2012, please complete and send the verification form along with a copy of the public notice to my attention at the Ohio EPA DDAGW, 50 West Town St, Suite 700, PO Box 1049, Columbus, OH, 43216-1049.

You are also required to send a copy of the public notification to the Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Oral Health Services, 246 North High Street - 5th Floor, P.O. Box 118, Columbus, Ohio 43216-0118 and to the Paulding County Health Department.

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2. FLUORIDE SAMPLING REQUIREMENTS

You are not required to increase your fluoride sampling frequency. Your monitoring frequency remains once every 3 years. Your next fluoride sample needs to be collected between January 1 and May 31, 2013.

Respectfully,



Kathleen Pinto
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosure: Public Notice, Verification Form

cc: Paulding County Health Department
Ohio Department of Health

DRINKING WATER NOTICE
Elevated Fluoride Levels Detected

This is an alert about your drinking water and a cosmetic dental problem that might affect children under nine years of age. At low levels, fluoride can help prevent cavities, but children drinking water containing more than 2 milligrams per liter (mg/L) of fluoride may develop cosmetic discoloration of their permanent teeth (dental fluorosis). The drinking water provided by the Grover Hill Elementary has a fluoride concentration of 2.1 mg/L as measured on February 24, 2010.

Dental fluorosis in its moderate or severe forms, may result in a brown staining and or pitting of the permanent teeth. This problem occurs only in developing teeth, before they erupt from the gums. Children under nine should be provided with alternative sources of drinking water or water that has been treated to remove the fluoride to avoid the possibility of staining and pitting of their permanent teeth. You also may want to contact your dentist about proper use by young children of fluoride-containing products. Older children and adults may safely drink the water.

Drinking water containing more than 4 mg/L of fluoride (the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's drinking water standard) can increase your risk of developing bone disease. Your drinking water does not contain more than 4 mg/L of fluoride, but we're required to notify you when we discover that the fluoride levels in your drinking water exceed 2 mg/L because of this cosmetic dental problem.

For more information, please contact:

_____ at _____ or _____
name of contact phone number mailing address

Some home water treatment units are also available to remove fluoride from drinking water. To learn more about available home water treatment units, you may call NSF International at 1-877-8-NSF-HELP.

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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