



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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May 22, 2013

NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

CERTIFIED MAIL

Christopher Cook
East End Water Co
P.O. Box 362,
Gratiot, OH 43740

Licking County
East End Water Co
Community PWS
PWS ID: OH4566112
Facility ID: 4562220

Subject: Violation of Maximum Contaminant Level for ARSENIC

East End Water Co is in violation for exceeding the maximum contaminant level (MCL) standard of 0.010 MG/L as established in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) section 3745-81-11 for ARSENIC. Compliance with the MCL is based on a running annual average. The annual average for ARSENIC during the First Quarter of 2013 time period is 0.015 MG/L.

To address the MCL violation, East End Water Co is required to take the following actions:

1. Notify your customers within 30 days using the enclosed instructions and public notice.
2. Complete and send a verification form with a copy of the public notice to the mailing address below within ten days after issuance.
3. Perform quarterly monitoring for ARSENIC according to your most recent monitoring schedule.
4. Consult with your Ohio EPA district representative to discuss your options for coming into compliance and establishing a compliance schedule or comply with any previously issued enforcement action.
5. For a community water system, include in the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) a clear explanation of the violation including the length of the violation, the potential adverse health effects, and actions taken by the system to address the violation. The mandatory health effects language for the particular contaminant is specified in the appendix to OAC section 3745-96-02.

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Continued noncompliance may lead to additional enforcement actions. If you have any questions or wish to change the public notice, please call me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Pinto
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosure: Public Notice; Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form
cc: Licking County Health Department

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DRINKING WATER NOTICE

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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 arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and 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:

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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**PUBLIC NOTICE INSTRUCTIONS AND VERIFICATION FORM FOR
Community PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS WITH TIER 2 VIOLATIONS**

The owner or operator of a Community water system with a Tier 2 violation or situation shall notify the persons served by the public water system as soon as practical but **no later than 30 days** after the system learns of the violation. Public notice shall be repeated every 3 months as long as the violation or situation persists.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE PUBLIC WAS NOTIFIED BY THE FOLLOWING METHOD(S) INDICATED BELOW, AS DESCRIBED IN THE OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RULE 3745-81-32:

Required Method of Public Notification	Actual Method of Public Notification
<p>COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS –</p> <p>1. Must issue public notice by mail or other direct delivery to each customer and service connection (where known).</p> <p>2. May also post in conspicuous locations throughout the distribution system (must remain posted for as long as the violation exists, but at least 7 days).</p>	<p>1. Date of mailing/delivery _____</p> <p>2.A. Dates of posting _____</p> <p>2.B. Locations of posting _____ _____ _____</p>
<p>NONCOMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS –</p> <p>Use one or more of the following:</p> <p>3. Public notice issued by posting in conspicuous locations throughout the distribution system (required to remain posted for as long as the violation exists, but in no case less than 7 days).</p> <p>4. Public notice issued by mail or other direct delivery to each customer and service connection (where known).</p>	<p>Describe actual methods used:</p> <p>1.A. Dates of posting _____</p> <p>1.B. Locations of posting _____ _____ _____</p> <p>2. Date of mailing/delivery _____</p>
<p>Schools and Day-Care Facilities must notify parents or guardians of children being served by methods <u>besides</u> posting, such as a newsletter, e-mail notice, or direct mailing</p>	<p>A. Method(s) _____ _____</p> <p>B. Date(s) _____</p>
<p>ALL SYSTEMS –</p> <p>If the above methods do not reach all persons served, also use any other method calculated to reach other persons served by the system (e.g. publication in a local newspaper or newsletter, use of e-mail to notify employees or students, or delivery of multiple copies to central locations).</p>	<p>A. Method(s) _____ _____ _____</p> <p>B. Date(s) _____</p>

Please indicate below what public notice was used. INCLUDE A COPY OF THE PUBLIC NOTICE.

___ A public notice as provided was issued without changes.

___ A different public notice was issued **after consulting with Ohio EPA** on _____.

Signature of Responsible Person

Date

PWS NAME: East End Water Co

PWSID: OH4566112

Facility ID: 4562220

COUNTY: Licking

ARSENIC MCL, AVERAGE

Printed Name and Title of Responsible Person

First Quarter of 2013; Vio Id 69

For Ohio EPA Use Only:

Date PN received: _____

PN acceptable: _____ PN not acceptable: _____