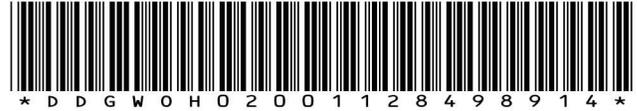




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Subject: Special Public Notice for TTHM Stage 1 Maximum Contaminant Level Violation

BLUFFTON VILLAGE WATER was in exceedance of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) standard of 0.080 mg/L for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM), as established in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) section 3745-81-12, during the Fourth Quarter of 2012 when Stage 1 of the Disinfectant Byproducts (DBP) rule ended for the public water system (PWS).

Stage 2 of the DBP rule requires that the MCL be calculated by a running annual average at each location a sample is collected. This locational running annual average requires four continuous quarters of data. Compliance with the Stage 2 rule therefore will not occur until Fourth Quarter of 2013.

BLUFFTON VILLAGE WATER is not in violation of exceeding the MCL for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) under Stage 2 rule at this time, but you must continue to issue a public notice quarterly for the Stage 1 violation until the locational running annual averages show compliance or violation for Stage 2. This will occur after the Fourth Quarter 2013 sample results are received.

Enclosed you will find a public notice that must be issued each quarter until Stage 2 compliance or violations are effective. If you have any questions or wish to modify the public notice, please call me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Deal
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosures: Public Notice, Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form