

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) MCL Violation at SYSTEM NAME

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did (*are doing*) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results from VIOLATION PERIOD show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for TTHM. The standard for TTHM is 80 parts per billion. It is determined by averaging the samples collected at each sampling location for the past 12 months. The level(s) of TTHM averaged at the sampling location(s) for VIOLATION PERIOD were as follows:

System Location	Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)
Walmart	92
Beltway Tower	94

### What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. Should a situation ever arise where the water is not safe to drink, you will be notified immediately.
- Certain people may be at an increased risk. Customers with severely compromised immune systems; infants; pregnant women; and the elderly are at an increased risk, and should receive advice from their health care providers about drinking this water.

### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been an emergency, you would have been notified immediately. TTHM are total trihalomethane compounds which form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water. *People who drink water containing total trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

### What is being done?

Faulty Filter Valves at the water plant and replacement of media in the sand filters was completed on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017. We anticipate resolving the problem by January 31, 2018 when the water treated at the Water Treatment Plant before this work was done works its way out of the water distribution system.

For more information, please contact Frank Daniels at 410-957-3311 or PO Box 29 Pocomoke City Md.21851.

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