

Mandatory Public Notification Language

Notice of Drinking Water TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANE Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **City of Commerce** water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANE (TTHM). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for TTHM at 0.080 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for TTHM indicates a level of **0.120** mg/L.

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are working to correct the problem:

The City of Commerce has implemented additional flushing and monitoring. Subsequent quarterly samples have been within acceptable range; however our running annual average is still too high.

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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