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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER****Reporting Requirement Not Met for Chrisman Water**

We are required to report the results of monitoring of your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. Our water system must monitor 2 routine distribution coliform bacteria and chlorine residual samples per month and report the results to the Illinois EPA within ten days after the close of the month. In December 2016, we were late reporting the results for the November samples and were then given one year to notify you of the reporting violation as noted by the Public Notice Rule (Tier 3 Reporting Violation).

Our system failed to deliver Public Notice to you by the December 13, 2017, deadline did not notify the Illinois EPA via a Public Notice Certification Form. Although public health was not impacted, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

**What should I do?**

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other action.

**What is being done?**

While we did not submit the November coliform and chlorine residual samples to the State on time, or notify you and the State of the reporting violation with Public Notice as quickly as we should have, as of December we have been submitting the routine samples to the Illinois EPA in a timely fashion and are now delivering this Public Notice to return to compliance for the reporting violation. We are no longer in violation.

For more information, please contact Matt Shelato at (217)822-8941 or 222 W. Madison, Chrisman, IL 61924.

*\*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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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER****Chrisman water system has levels of Arsenic above drinking water standards**

Our water system, Chrisman Water, recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do and what we are doing to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received in November, 2017, and January, 2018 show that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The average level of arsenic in Chrisman over the last year was 0.016.

**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?**

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. 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 happened? What is being done?**

We are working with various engineers to evaluate the water supply and researching options to correct the problem. These options include treating the water to remove arsenic and upgrading our filters to catch the arsenic. We have also increased the frequency at which we test the water for arsenic from annually to quarterly.

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