

## **Mandatory Language for a Maximum Contaminant Level Violation MCL, AVERAGE / ARSENIC**

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the MILITARY HWY WSC LAS RUSIAS WTP TX1080067 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for arsenic. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for arsenic to be 0.010 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on **running annual average (RAA)**, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels about the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for arsenic indicates a compliance value in quarter one 2022 of 0.013 mg/L for EP007.

**This is not an emergency.** 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.

**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 taking the following action to address this issue:

**Military Highway WSC has completed construction of two million gallons per day, Microfiltration/Reverse Osmosis processes plant, at the Las Rusias water treatment facility. This type of water treatment process will reduce the levels of arsenic in the drinking water and maintain the level with in the MCL.**

Quarter	Sample Date	Result
Qrt 2 – 2021	06/09/2021	0.0084 mg/L
Qrt 3 – 2021	09/14/2021	0.0237 mg/L
Qrt 4 – 2021	11/09/2021	0.0093 mg/L
Qrt 1 – 2022	03/31/2022	0.0102 mg/L

**Las Rusias Microfiltration/Reverse Osmosis facility is currently in operation. We are continuing to make adjustments to our operational procedures. Keep in mind that these results are based on an annual running average (LRAA).**

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., 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.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Mrs. Consuelo De La Rosa, General Manager, at (956) 565-2491.

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