

Facility Name: Grinnell Water Department

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

MONITORING VIOLATION OF THE WATER TESTING SCHEDULE

Our water system violated a drinking water standard over the past year. Even though this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations.

We, at the Grinnell Water Department are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards.

We are required to monitor for Combined Radium and Gross Alpha every quarter. During 3rd quarter 2023 we did not monitor or test Wells 5,6,7,8,9 @ Plant After Treatment for Combined Radium or Gross Alpha and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What Happened? What is being done?

We started quarterly Radium and Gross Alpha sampling in 2nd quarter of 2023 because of changes at the water plant. Formerly, samples were taken once per year. We missed our sample deadline for the 3rd quarter 2023 due to a scheduling oversight but we are back on track. Samples for the 4th quarter were submitted and we are preparing to submit samples for the 1st quarter of 2024. It should be noted that radium levels in all other sample periods have been well below the maximum contaminant levels in the EPA standards and that all well samples taken during our Pilot Study, a prerequisite of building a new plant, last year were also below maximum contaminate levels. Samples tested as part of the Pilot Study are deemed, "Non-Reportable", and are not admissible as part of routine monitoring.

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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