



City of Frontenac, Kansas

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Important Information About Your Drinking Water

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Frontenac operates a water treatment plant designed to achieve compliance with drinking water standards. We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants, including Combined Radium (-226 & -228). Radium is one of several common natural elements found in most major rock types and soils in varying concentrations. Compliance is based on the four-quarter running annual average (RAA). The standard for Combined Radium RAA is 5 PCI/L. Results for a sample we collected on August 8, 2022, shows that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Combined Radium. Our water system's Combined Radium RAA at the end of the Third Quarter of 2022 was 6 PCI/L.

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing radium -226 or -228 in excess of the maximum allowable level over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

The City entered into an agreement with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment in December 2019 to correct the radium issue. Plans are nearly complete, and construction of a new facility is scheduled to begin mid-2023. This facility will include a water softening system designed to remove radium from the water. We anticipate completion of this project by July 2024. We will continue to monitor for Combined Radium each quarter as required by KDHE.

Again, this is not an emergency, but as our customers you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation. You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

If you have any additional questions, contact John Zafuta at (620) 231-9210, or by mail at 313 E. McKay, Frontenac, KS 66763.

Please share this information with 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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