## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

# East Windsor Municipal Utilities Authority Has Levels of Gross Alpha Particle Activity Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is 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 this situation.

Nuestro sistema de agua potable ha experimentado un fracaso a los estándares de agua consumible. Esto no es una emergencia exigente, pero usted como consumidor, tiene el derecho de tener información sobre este asunto, que puede hacer, y los pasos que estamos tomando para corregir esta situación.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On July 11, 2024, we received notice that the sample collected on June 20, 2024 showed that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Gross Alpha Particle Activity. The standard for Gross Alpha Particle Activity is 15 pCi/L. The average level of Gross Alpha Particle Activity over the last year has been 19.5 pCi/L.

#### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. \* However, certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.\*

### What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

## What is being done?

- East Windsor MUA is working with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to evaluate the water supply and are researching options to correct the problem.
- East Windsor MUA has stopped using the identified well. We have increased pumping from other wells, which have no detection.
- East Windsor MUA is in the process of building a new water treatment plant with two additional new wells.
- East Windsor MUA has increased the frequency of testing the water for Gross Alpha Particle Activity at all its wells.

For more information, please contact Richard Brand at 609-443-6000.

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