

### Tier 2 Public Notice

## **FAILURE TO CALCULATE AND REPORT A MEAN *CRYPTOSPORIDIUM* LEVEL**

A surface water or GUDI system's failure to determine and report its bin classification by the required date is a treatment technique violation that requires Tier 2 notification and special notice. The template on the reverse meets both of these requirements. You must provide public notice to persons served as soon as practical but within 30 days after you learn of the violation. You must issue a repeat notice every three months for as long as the violation persists.

Community systems must use one of the following methods:

- Hand or direct delivery
- Mail, as a separate notice or included with the bill

Noncommunity systems must use one of the following methods:

- Posting in conspicuous locations
- Hand delivery
- Mail

In addition, both community and noncommunity systems must use *another* method reasonably calculated to reach others if they would not be reached by the first method. Such methods could include newspapers, e-mail, or delivery to community organizations. If you mail, post, or hand deliver, print your notice on your system's letterhead, if available.

The notice on the reverse is appropriate for mailing, posting, or hand delivery. If you modify this notice, you must still include all required PN elements and leave the mandatory language unchanged (see below).

### **Mandatory Language**

Mandatory language on health effects and special notice language must be included as written (with blanks filled in) and are presented in this notice in italics and with an asterisk on either end.

You must also include standard language to encourage the distribution of the public notice to all persons served. This language is also presented in this notice in italics and with an asterisk on either end.

### **Corrective Action**

In your notice, describe corrective actions you are taking. Listed below are some steps commonly taken by water systems with LT2ESWTR treatment technique violations. Depending on the corrective action you are taking, you can use one or more of the following statements, if appropriate, or develop your own text:

- We determined our bin classification on [give date] and have notified the state.
- We are in the process of determining our bin classification and will notify the state upon completion.

### **PN Certification**

Send a copy of each type of notice and the Certification form (3930-FM-BSDW0076) to DEP within ten days after you issued the notice.

### **Template Form Field Instructions**

When you place your cursor in the blank form fields in the following template, look at the bottom, left corner of your computer (just above the START button) for instructions on the information you should enter in that field. For example, if you place your cursor over the first blank form field in the template, the instructions will read "Insert system name."

## FAILURE TO CALCULATE AND REPORT A MEAN *CRYPTOSPORIDIUM* LEVEL IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

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Meyersdale Municipal Authority recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

*\*We are required to monitor the source of your drinking water for Cryptosporidium in order to determine by January 2021 whether water treatment at the Meyersdale Water Treatment Plant is sufficient to adequately remove Cryptosporidium from your drinking water. We have not made this determination by the required date. Our failure to do this may jeopardize our ability to have the required treatment modifications, if any, completed by the required deadline of January 2021.\**

*Cryptosporidium* is a disease-causing microorganism that may be present in our raw water source.

### 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. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

*\*Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.\**

These symptoms, however, are not caused only by organisms in drinking water, but also by other factors. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.

### What is being done?

All the necessary steps have been accomplished and no further treatment is needed at Meyersdale Water treatment Plant. We have determined our BIN classification and notified the state.

We anticipate resolving the problem within It is resolved (or the problem was resolved on May 24 2021).

*\*For more information, please call Jeff McKenzie of Meyersdale Municipal Authority at 814-634-8627*

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.

This notice is being sent to you by Jeff McKenzie.

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