

[DATE]

[NAME]

[ADDRESS]

{CITY,STATE,ZIP}

Re: Well Advisory for well with Minnesota Unique Well Number [UN] located at [ADDRESS,CITY]

Dear [NAME]:

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has just completed a review of its health-based values for two perfluorochemicals (PFCs) – perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) and perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) - in drinking water. Based on this review, MDH is setting new, lower Health Based Values (HBVs) for PFOS and PFOA in drinking water in order to provide additional protection for developing fetuses and infants. One or both of these chemicals have been detected in well water samples collected from your property by the State of Minnesota or their contractor within the past two years. This letter is to provide more information and recommend next steps.

What This Means For You:

The most recent sample from your well contained PFCs at concentrations that – either individually or in combination – exceeded MDH’s newly established health-based guidance. Therefore, MDH is issuing a well advisory for the well with unique well number 651996 on your property located at 910 Mark Ave N, West Lakeland. To protect the most vulnerable members of our population, we recommend that water with PFC levels above our new health-based guidance **should not be used for drinking or cooking on a long-term basis**, but it is safe for showering, bathing, washing dishes and clothing, and other uses.

Premium Waters, a contractor for the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), will call you to arrange delivery of bottled water for drinking and cooking and the MPCA will mail you information regarding installation of a granular activated carbon (GAC) filter system to treat your water (or connection to city water, if that is available in your area). Bottled water will be provided to you until a GAC or other permanent, alternate water supply can be provided. **There will be no cost to you for either the bottled water or the GAC filter system; if city water connection is a better option for you, most (if not all) of your costs will be reimbursed. To proceed, you will need to complete and return the access agreement to the MPCA that will be included in their mailing to you.** Due to the number of filters that need to be installed in the affected area, the MPCA anticipates it may take several months to complete the installation of all of the systems.

If you have already installed a GAC filter system or other water treatment system in your home, MPCA staff or their contractor will work with you to determine if your system can meet your water treatment needs. If it cannot, they will discuss with you what additional technical and system maintenance assistance you may need.

Public Meeting Invitation

Residents of south Washington County who live in or near areas where groundwater has been contaminated with perfluorochemicals (PFCs) will have two opportunities to ask questions about PFCs and discuss this issue one-on-one with staff from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Minnesota Pollution Control



Agency (MPCA). There will be a short presentation at 7:00pm with time for residents to discuss their individual situations with staff. Informational materials will also be available.

Public Meeting Dates and Locations:

June 6, 2017
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Oak-Land Junior High Cafeteria
820 Manning Ave N Lake Elmo, MN

June 7, 2017
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Cottage Grove City Hall
12800 Ravine Parkway South, Cottage Grove, MN

For More Information:

- See the enclosed information sheet
- Visit the MPCA website - www.pca.state.mn.us/waste/perfluorochemicals-pfcs
- Visit MDH website - www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/hazardous/topics/pfcs/index.html

Issue	Name	Agency	Phone	Email
Bottled Water or GAC Filter Installation	Gary Krueger	MPCA	651-757-2509	gary.krueger@state.mn.us
Water Sample Results	Ginny Yingling	MDH	651-201-4930	virginia.yingling@state.mn.us
Health Concerns	MDH Information Line	MDH	651-201-4897	health.hazard@state.mn.us

Sincerely,

Ginny Yingling
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Minnesota Department of Health

Enclosure