**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

**Waterford Elementary School Has Levels of Gross Alpha**

**Above Drinking Water Standards**

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.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On 12/23/19, we received notice that the sample collected on 11/19/2019 showed that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Gross Alpha is

15 pCi/L. The average level of Gross Alpha over the last year has been 18 pCi/L.

**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 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 is being done?**

Waterford Elementary is developing a report outlining proposed remedial measures to be submitted to the NJDEP for review. We anticipate resolving this issue in a timely manner.

For more information, please contact Dan Fox at (856)768-8986

*\*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 **Waterford Elementary School**

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