

NOTICE TO CONSUMERS
of the
Mudpike Road Waterworks
Waterworks ID No. 1121503

State Health Officials have advised us of a failure to meet the Primary Maximum Contaminant Level for bacteriological water quality in accordance with the Commonwealth of Virginia *Waterworks Regulations*. Water being served to our consumers during July 2009, did not comply with the bacteriological Primary Maximum Contaminant Level because two samples collected during the month tested positive for coliform bacteria. The Commonwealth of Virginia *Waterworks Regulations* requires that no more than one sample collected during a month test positive for coliform bacteria.

Coliform bacteria are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliform bacteria were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems. Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Usually, coliform bacteria are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's distribution system.

Whenever coliform bacteria are detected in a sample, follow-up testing is conducted to determine if other bacteria of greater concern, such as *E. Coli*, are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing.**

State health officials feel there is little need for concern about the safety of your water because additional samples have been taken and no further contamination was found.

This situation has been resolved. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1 (800) 426-4791.

For more information, please contact:

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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 and other important information are available on the PSA website, MontVA.com/psa.

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