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SANDERS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #18

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Sanders Unified School District Has Levels of Uranium 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 did (are doing) to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On 2/15/17, we received notice that the sample collected on 01/10/2017 showed that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for uranium. The standard for uranium is 30 µg/L. Uranium was found at 37.3 µg/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, some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and kidney toxicity.

What is being done?

Currently SUSD is working with ADEQ and Arizona School Facilities Board looking at the installation of a filtering system. In the meantime, SUSD has implemented a voluntary water supply to schools and housing. We anticipate that the filtering system will be up and operational by the May 2017. Please note that this notice does not apply to Valley High School or the Transportation Department.

For more information, please contact Dan Hute at 928-688-4756 or by email at danhute@sandersusd.net

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