**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

**Estancia Water System Failed to Correct Significant Deficiencies Within Required Time Frame**

***Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda***

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this incident was **not an emergency**, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

A routine sanitary survey conducted on October 9, 2024 by the New Mexico Environment Department-Drinking Water Bureau (NMED DWB) found that the Town of Estancia failed to correct significant deficiencies. NMED-DWB provided the Estancia Water System with a copy of the completed sanitary survey report identifying the significant deficiencies.

1. **The Estancia Water System failed to respond to NMED-DWB within the required 120 days.**

As required by Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) Ground Water Rule, we were required to correct these deficiencies. However, we failed to take this action by the deadline established by the NMED DWB.

**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 microbes 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?**

We are working diligently to correct all deficiencies to be in compliance with all NMED- DWB requirements. We are in contact with them weekly are are making significant progress. We anticipate resolving the problem within the next two months.

**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.\****