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The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the City of Rhome TX249007 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for gross alpha excluding radon and uranium. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established the MCL for gross alpha excluding radon and uranium to be 15 pico curies per liter (pCi/L) based on running annual average (RAA), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for gross alpha excluding radon and uranium indicates a compliance value in quarter two 2017 of 16.0 pCi/L for EP005.

This is not an emergency. 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.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address the issue: flushing the affected lines and blending additional treated surface water with the ground water at entry point 5. Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses).

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Lance Petty at 817-636-2462 or 940-210-6501.

Sincerely,

Michelle Pittman Di Credico
Mayor