



Notification Sent Via Email

12/30/2022

Michael Gonzales
Timberon W And SD
PO Box 40
Timberon, NM 88350

RE: TOTAL COLIFORM NON-SAMPLING VIOLATION
WSS# NM3546419

Dear Michael Gonzales:

Our records indicate that the Timberon W And SD Water System did not submit the required number of microbiological samples in accordance with an approved Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) sampling plan for the month of October 2022. Pursuant to Section 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR 141.856(b)], you are required to take two total coliform samples each month, **only one was collected**. The Timberon W And SD Water System is in violation of the above referenced section for failure to conduct routine total coliform monitoring. Therefore, the following is applicable.

Pursuant to Section 20.7.10.100 NMAC [incorporating 40 CFR Section 141.204 (c) (1)], you are required to notify your customers of this non-sampling violation by **mail or other direct delivery to each customer** and any other methods as necessary to inform the public, within one year from the date of this letter. Please submit proof of publication within 10 days of completing publication of this notice. Proof of notification shall consist of the attached Certification form, signed and dated, indicating the delivery method(s) and a copy of the distributed Public Notice form. Public notice must remain in place **no less than seven days** or as long as the violation still exists, which will be until the next round of compliance sampling is conducted. Please note that failure to comply with this public notice requirement will result in a "Failure to Provide Public Notice" violation being issued against Timberon W And SD. This violation is automatically issued, without further notice to you and is also reported to the EPA.

Please fill out and return the enclosed Public Notice Certification Form by email to chet.markham2@env.nm.gov.

NMED-DWB reserves the right to take additional enforcement action regarding the violations identified in this NOV, to include the issuance of an Administrative Compliance Order compelling compliance and issuing civil penalties.

For further questions, please contact me at 505-629-3085 or by e-mail at chet.markham2@env.nm.gov.

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Respectfully,



Chet Markham, RTCR Rule Administrator
Drinking Water Bureau
Water Protection Division

Enclosures: Public Notice Template
Public Notice Certification Form

cc: Area Supervisor Brandi Littleton (electronic)
Timberon W And SD water system Area Office file
Electronic Central File

****PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM MUST APPROPRIATELY MODIFY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE TO INCLUDE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION REGARDING THE VIOLATION AS WELL AS INFORMATION ABOUT THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE VIOLATION'S AFFECT ON THE WATER SYSTEM. PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OFFICIAL MUST DELETE THIS PARAGRAPH ONCE PUBLIC NOTICE HAS BEEN APPROPRIATELY UPDATED, PRIOR TO SENDING OUT TO THE PUBLIC****

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Timberon W And SD Water

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.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During October 2022, we did not complete all monitoring requirements for Total Coliform and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should you do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What does this mean?

Our water system is required by law to collect a monthly total coliform sample. During this reporting period, we did not collect the required sample.

What happened? What is being done?

Date that system collected next valid routine sample: _____

(Note: A system will not return to compliance until a lab has analyzed a routine sample).

For more information, please contact Michael Gonzales at 575-987-2250 or PO Box 40, Timberon, NM 88350.

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.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monthly Reporting Requirements Not Being Met by Timberon W&SD

Our water system recently violated a drinking water regulation. 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 to correct this situation.

We are required to submit turbidity data and chlorine levels to the State on a monthly basis. This requirement was not met for the month(s) of: October, 2022.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been you would have been notified immediately.

Monitoring and reporting turbidity and chlorine levels in your water are important in ensuring safe water to all our customers. **Chlorine is added to the water to inactivate bacteria that may be present. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches. * These symptoms are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice.*

Tests taken during this time period did not indicate the presence of bacteria in the drinking water system during this period.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, please contact your health care professional.

What is being done?

We have since taken the required samples. The samples showed we are meeting drinking water standards. We anticipate resolving the problem within 30 days.

For more information, please contact:

Mark Harding 575-987-2250
Timberon W&SD, NM3546419
1 Bobwhite Cir.
Timberon, NM 88350

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