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DRINKING WATER UPDATE REGARDING YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for Broward County's Port Everglades Department

Dear Port Everglades Potable Water Customer:

We are writing to keep you updated about your water and a recent violation involving routine Lead and Copper monitoring. Below is a summary of the monitoring violation within Port Everglades:

 In the first half of 2017, our system failed to analyze and report the correct number of drinking water samples for Lead and Copper. Although 20 samples were collected, one sample was lost by the laboratory.

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 your drinking water meets health standards. During the first half of 2017, we did not complete all monitoring for Lead and Copper and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

Although Lead and Copper Action Levels were not exceeded, water users should consider associated health risks as indicated on the first notice issued by Port Everglades dated November 1, 2017. Please disregard the letter sent out in error on October 30, 2017.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You may continue to drink the water. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.

What is being done?

The Port has implemented a new sampling procedure to ensure that we will be taking the required number of drinking water samples for Lead and Copper going forward. The Port will meet all sampling requirements of the Federal Lead and Copper Rule.

For more information, please contact Erik Neugaard at (954) 468-0164 or Seaport Engineering & Facilities Maintenance Division, at 1850 Eller Drive, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316.

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 notice is being sent to you by Broward County's Port Everglades Department. State Water System ID#: 4061603.