#### **Arsenic MCL Exceeded**

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Spenard Heights Water System Has Levels of Arsenic 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 are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on 12/17/2014 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for arsenic. The standard for arsenic is 0.010 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The level of arsenic was 22.8 mg/L.

### What should I do?

• You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

# What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

# What happened? What is being done?

The utility requires that all users on the water system have filtration devices installed on point of use on faucets where water used for cooking, and or bathing is used. The utility anticipates shutting down well service in the fall of 2017, with users being attached to either individually drilled wells, or having attached to the public water utility through a limited improvement district.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Lewis at (907) 562-2929 or jjl.pmsi@gci.net.

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.

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