

# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

### Morón Water System Has Levels of Bromate Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently exceeded 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. Monitoring results for samples collected from the Morón Water System showed that the system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for Bromate. The standard for Bromate is 0.010 mg/L. The average level of Bromate over the running yearly average was 0.11 mg/L.

### 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.

### What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. However, *some people who drink water containing bromate in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

### What is being done?

BE is working in coordination with 496 ABS Civil Engineering (CE) on reducing and identifying why Bromate levels are elevated. BE will continue to monitor Bromate quarterly.

For more information, please contact BE at DSN (314) 479-2220 or [usaf.ramstein.86-mdg.mbx.omrs-sgxb@health.mil](mailto:usaf.ramstein.86-mdg.mbx.omrs-sgxb@health.mil). For inquiries from the media, please contact 86 AW Public Affairs at +49 6371 47 2458, +49 172 815 2739 or email [86aw.pa@us.af.mil](mailto:86aw.pa@us.af.mil).

*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 dormitories, military family housing, 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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