

**Mandatory Language for a Maximum Contaminant Level Violation
MCL, Average/1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE**

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **City of Idalou TX1520001** the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for 1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for 1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE to be 0.007 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on a 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 1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE indicates a compliance value in **quarter three 2025 of 0.009 mg/L for EP004.**

Some people who drink water containing 1,1-DICHLOROETHYLENE in excess of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) over many years could experience problems with their liver.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

The City operates four drinking water well sites, each with a separate entry point and individual chemical analysis:

1. Entry Point One (EP001): Near 5th & Hickory
2. Entry Point Two (EP002): Near 7th & Chestnut
3. Entry Point Three (EP003): Near E. 6th Street & Mulberry
4. Entry Point Four (EP004): North of US 62/82 near Wildcat Towing

Each site is monitored independently to assess compliance with drinking water standards. To address the exceedance at Entry Point One (EP001), a new water treatment plant was constructed and began operation on June 19th. The plant uses an aeration system specifically designed to reduce levels of 1,1-Dichloroethylene. The City is currently collecting daily samples from this site to verify the system's effectiveness.

Entry Point Four (EP004) has not historically exceeded the MCL for 1,1-Dichloroethylene. However, the City is now testing this site on a weekly basis as a precaution and is working closely with the City Engineer to identify long-term solutions. Options under consideration include blending water from another well site or removing the well from service altogether. The City of Idalou remains committed to providing safe, high-quality drinking water and will continue to take corrective actions as needed to comply with state and federal standards.

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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