

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

City of Burlington

Failure to Test Backflow Prevention Devices

Our water system recently violated a drinking water requirement. Although this situation 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.

The state drinking water program requires that all public drinking water systems test a percentage of the backflow prevention devices annually. On June 7, 2019, The City of Burlington received a violation, due to backflow prevention devices connected to our water distribution system that were not tested in 2018, as required.

What does this mean? What should I do?

- Uncontrolled cross connections can lead to inadvertent contamination of the drinking water where backflow prevention devices connected to our water system were not tested in 2018 as required. The City of Burlington failed to meet the percent requirement per state standard. Where backflow prevention devices are required, annual testing must occur.
- If you have an infant, severely compromised immune system, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your doctor about drinking this water. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by bacteria and other disease-causing organisms are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.
- You may want to use an alternative drinking water supply (e.g. bottled). If you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What is being done?

- The City of Burlington will hand deliver notifications to consumers required to have Backflow Prevention devices inspected (and repaired or replaced if needed) by a certified Backflow Technician. Results shall be delivered to City Hall, or emailed to mike.konecne@burlingtoncolo.com upon receipt from Technician. Annual testing is a requirement of both CDPHE and the City of Burlington.
- The City of Burlington continually monitors water quality per CDPHE standards to ensure a safe, clean drinking water source.

We anticipate resolving the problem by **August 30, 2019**. For more information, please contact **Mike Konecne** at mike.konecne@burlingtoncolo.com or **7193468652**, or **415 15th**.

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: City of Burlington - CO0132005

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Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.