

## Mandatory Public Notification Language

### Notice of Drinking Water GROSS ALPHA PARTICLE ACTIVITY Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **City of Hudson Oaks** water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for GROSS ALPHA PARTICLE ACTIVITY. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for GROSS ALPHA PARTICLE ACTIVITY at 15 pico curies per liter (pCi/L), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for GROSS ALPHA PARTICLE ACTIVITY indicated a level of **16** pCi/L.

This is not an emergency. Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are working to correct the problem:

**After notification from the State of the violation, the well was removed from service in March of 2009. This is the second notice of the same violation, which occurred in the last quarter of 2008. Once again, the well has been removed from service and Hudson Oaks water is safe to drink.**

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.

For further information contact: **Patrick Lawler**  
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### Notice of Drinking Water COMBINED RADIUM 226 & RADIUM 228

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the **City of Hudson Oaks** water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for COMBINED RADIUM 226 & RADIUM 228. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for COMBINED RADIUM 226 & RADIUM 228 at 5 pico curies per liter (pCi/L), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for COMBINED RADIUM 226 & RADIUM 228 indicates a level of **7** pCi/L.

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing radium 226 and/or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

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