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Dear River Oaks Water Customer:

MANDATORY LANGUAGE FOR A MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL VIOLATION
MCL, LRAA/TTHM

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the CITY OF RIVER OAKS TX2200069 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for total trihalomethanes to be 0.080 milligrams per liter (mg/L) based on locational running annual average (LRAA), and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for total trihalomethanes indicates a compliance value in quarter one 2016 of 0.147 mg/L for DBP2-01 and 0.130 mg/L for DBP2-02.

Trihalomethanes (TTHM) are a group of volatile organic compounds that are formed when chlorine, added to the water during the treatment process for disinfection, reacts with the naturally-occurring organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing Trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL **over many years** may experience problems with their liver, kidney or central nervous systems, and 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 taking the following actions to address this issue: On March 1, 2016 the City Engineer based on their research of the water plant's operating procedure reported that the proper chemical dosage was being used and that final water quality from the plant was excellent. In conclusion, the engineer recommended that the city do extensive flushing of the entire water distribution system in order to discharge the high TTHM levels associated with low water usage from the water distribution system common this time of the year. Lastly, the city has requested assistance from the TCEQ in addressing maximum contaminant level exceedances for total trihalomethanes (TTHM).

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those that may not have received this notice directly (i.e. 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.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact **Marvin Gregory at 817-626-5421, extension 324**. *Este aviso también está disponible en español. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Lourdes Torres al 817-626-5421, extensión 315.*

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