

BACTERIOLOGICAL QUALITY STANDARD FAILURE

Dear Customer:

The bacteriological quality of water served by the Odd Fellow Sierra Recreation Association Water System during the month of September 1988 did not meet the drinking water standards specified in the California Domestic Water Quality and Monitoring regulations. The bacteriological quality of domestic water is routinely determined by testing for coliform bacteria. Coliform organisms are indicators of potential contamination and may originate from human, animal, or soil sources. If the coliform standards are met, the water served can be considered as being bacteriologically safe. If they are not met, drinking the water may not necessarily result in illness, but that possibility exists. At times, a positive coliform bacteria test may result from situations which are not a hazard to health. However, the finding of coliform bacteria cannot be ignored and each water utility must take appropriate follow-up action.

Upon determination that the coliform standards were not being met, the following action was taken by the Water Company:

The system was chlorinated and flushed. Subsequent bacteriological sampling results were in compliance with water quality standards.

The findings to date indicate that no special precautions or actions are necessary on your part.

This notification to the public is being done in compliance with the California Domestic Water Quality and Monitoring Regulations as a means of keeping the public informed.

Consumers wishing more information should contact the Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association Water Company in Long Barn at (209) 586-7586.

s/ Bert Johnson