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JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO - LACKLAND TEXAS



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MEMORANDUM FOR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM CUSTOMER

FROM: 559 AMDS/SGPB (Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight)

SUBJECT: Supplemental Information Regarding Chemical Monitoring Violation

1. On June 16, 2017, Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight became aware that your water system, Fort Sam Houston, failed to report the required amount of results for November 2016 drinking water samples to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Of the samples that were taken, the results were within normal ranges. **Your water is safe to drink.**
2. We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Although we did not complete the total amount of the required water samples for November 2016 in accordance with 40 CFR 141.852, 141.853, and 141.860 the federal Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR), which took effect on April 2016. Bioenvironmental did sample and your **water is safe to drink.** Due to that missed new federal requirement, the required amount of sample results were not submitted to TCEQ by the lab. We have made the necessary changes to our sampling procedures to ensure this does not happen again.
3. What should I do?
 - a. There is nothing you need to do. We conduct monthly samples to ensure your drinking water is safe to drink. **Your water is safe to drink.**
 - b. If a situation arises where the drinking water is no longer safe, you will be notified immediately. We will announce any emergencies through multiple avenues (e.g. door-to-door distribution of pamphlets, base wide email, etc.).
4. For more information, please contact the Bioenvironmental Engineering Office at 210-671-7061 or email Mr. Christopher Robinson at christopher.j.robinson24.civ@mail.mil. Additional information about drinking water can also be obtained at <http://water.epa.gov/drink/> or by contacting the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

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