

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER FAILURE TO MONITOR

**ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA POTABLE. HAGA QUE
ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED, O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.**

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for the Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa PWS ID #5040006

Our water system violated several drinking water standards over the past year. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations.

MWAA is required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. MWAA collected 29 of the required 60 lead and copper samples during the monitoring period (01/01/2020-06/30/2020); and did not collect iron and manganese samples during the weeks beginning 12/29/2019, 01/05/2020, and 08/28/2020. Therefore, the Department of Environmental Protection cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for each contaminant(s) and how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Iron and Manganese (Entry Point to Distribution System)	Weekly	0	Week of: 12/29/2019 01/05/2020 08/28/2020	Samples are collected weekly. Samples were not collected during these weeks.
Lead and Copper (Customer Tap Samples)	60 Samples Every Six (6) Months	29 Samples	01/01/2020 – 06/30/2020	Next Sampling Period is 07/01/2020 – 12/31/2020

What happened? What was done?

Iron and Manganese Sampling – As required by the PaDEP Administrative Order dated December 19, 2019, MWAA is required to collect weekly sampling for iron and manganese at the entry point to the distribution system. Collection of weekly iron and manganese samples commenced during the week of January 12, 2020. Samples were inadvertently not collected during the week of August 28, 2020, as this was the fifth week of the month and distribution samples are typically collected four (4) times per month. MWAA has implemented a policy to prevent this oversight from occurring in the future.

Lead and Copper Sampling – The required 60 samples were not collected because 60 Tier 1 Sample Sites (customers having confirmed lead service lines) did not agree to participate in the sampling. Customer participation is voluntary. Only 29 Tier 1 Sample Sites collected lead and copper samples during the monitoring period. To date, MWAA has identified 177 potential Tier 1 Sample Sites and has requested their participation in the lead and copper sampling program. MWAA offered a \$50 credit on the customer's water bill in exchange for participation in the lead and copper sampling program.

For more information, please contact MWAA at (724) 375-5525 or visit our website at www.aliquippawater.com.

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 the Municipal Water Authority of Aliquippa (MWAA) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.