

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 7th MEDICAL GROUP (AFGSC) DYESS AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

15 April 2021

## MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Drinking Water Notice of Violation for Delayed Reporting of TTHM/HAA5 and Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR)

1. The Dyess Air Force Base drinking water system received a Notice of Violation from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for failing to provide water monitoring results on time due to billing issues during December 2019 and submitting 4 out of 8 water samples during the month of October 2020. The Notice of Violations were received for two different reasons and at separate times.

2. The following verbiage is required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to successfully notify the public of these incidents:

The Dyess Air Force Base water system (PWS ID TX2210013) has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in Chapter 30, Section 290, Subchapter F. Public water systems are required to collect and submit chemical and bacteriological samples of water provided to their customers, and report the results of those samples to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on a regular basis.

Dyess Air Force Base water system failed to report water sampling results to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) and Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM). This violation occurred in the monitoring period of 1 October to 31 December 2019. The water samples were tested and in complete compliance with standards, however, they were submitted late. In addition, Dyess Air Force Base water system failed to collect and submit 4 out of 8 water samples to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for Revised Total Coliform Rule. This violation occurred in the monitoring period of October 2020. The 4 samples that were tested all showed the water was in full compliance with all applicable safety levels.

Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water is safe from chemical and bacteriological contamination. Dyess Air Force Base did not complete all reporting for chemical and bacteriological constituents, in a timely manner, and therefore the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality cannot be sure of the safety of your drinking water during that time.

These issues have been resolved and addressed as of 29 May 2020 for HAA5/TTHM and 7 December 2020 for Revised Total Coliform Rule, respectively. Dyess Air Force Base water system has provided the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality with all the monitoring results, which were all in compliance with standards, and have been published.

## DEATH FROM ABOVE

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who 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.

3. There was no harm or impact done to the Dyess Air Force Base drinking water system or to the safety of the base populace due to these scenarios. As of 7 December 2020, Dyess AFB is once again in full compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

4. The Base potable water system is, and has been, perfectly safe to drink and consume, as certified by Bioenvironmental Engineering, the Abilene Public Health District laboratory water testing results and state compliance. The status on the quality and safety of the Dyess Air Force Base drinking water can be found on the latest Consumer Confidence Report publication made available to the base every year by state law.

5. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at Comm (325) 696-2325 or by email at jose.c.pagandavila.mil@mail.mil.

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