



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY

CALENDAR YEAR 2010 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT CERTIFICATION FORM

Town OF GLOSTER
Public Water Supply Name

0030003
List PWS ID #s for all Water Systems Covered by this CCR

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires each community public water system to develop and distribute a consumer confidence report (CCR) to its customers each year.

Please Answer the Following Questions Regarding the Consumer Confidence Report

- Customers were informed of availability of CCR by: (Attach copy of publication, water bill or other)
Advertisement in local paper
On water bills
Other

Date customers were informed: 05/20/11

- CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery. Specify other direct delivery methods:

Date Mailed/Distributed: / /

- CCR was published in local newspaper. (Attach copy of published CCR or proof of publication)

Name of Newspaper: Wilk-White Record

Date Published: 5/20/2011

- CCR was posted in public places. (Attach list of locations)

Date Posted: / /

- CCR was posted on a publicly accessible internet site at the address: www.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that a consumer confidence report (CCR) has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above.

Billy Johnson, Mayor
Name/Title (President, Mayor, Owner, etc.)

05-25-2011
Date

Mail Completed Form to: Bureau of Public Water Supply/P.O. Box 1700/Jackson, MS 39215
Phone: 601-576-7518

2010 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report  
 Town of Gloster  
 PWS#: 0030003  
 May 2011

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We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is from three wells drawing from the Miocene Series Aquifer.

The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identified potential sources of contamination. The general susceptibility rankings assigned to each well of this system are provided immediately below. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Town of Gloster have received a moderate susceptibility ranking to contamination.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Gary Sterling at 601.657.0509. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM at the Gloster Town Hall.

We routinely monitor for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2010, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations and septic systems; radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

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<b>TEST RESULTS</b>								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measure-ment	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>								
10. Barium	N	2008*	.039	No Range	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2009*	.0134	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

17. Lead	N	2009*	.7	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
19. Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	2010	.48	No Range	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>								
Chlorine	N	2010	1.11	1.03 – 1.24	ppm	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

\* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2010

As you can see by the table, our system had no contaminate violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected however the EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific constituents on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. We did complete the monitoring requirements for bacteriological sampling that showed no coliform present. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MSDH now notifies systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our Water Association is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

The Town of Gloster works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

# Proof of Publication

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
AMITE COUNTY

## COPY OF NOTICE

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for the County and State aforesaid, this day personally appeared Betty N. Stevens who duly states on oath that she is the Publisher of the Wilk-Amite Record, a weekly newspaper published in the Town of Gloster, Mississippi, with a general circulation in said County, and that the publication of the notice, a copy of which is hereby attached, has been made in said newspaper 1 times at weekly intervals in the regular entire issue of said newspaper for the consecutive numbers and dates thereof hereinafter named to-wit:

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Affiant further states on oath that the said newspaper has been established for twelve months next prior the first publication of said notice.

Betty N. Stevens  
Publisher

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24 day of May, 2011

Richard Lafontaine  
Notary Public



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**OBITUARIES**

**Lamottis Walter Dawson, Sr**

Lamottis Walter Dawson, Sr died Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at Harvest Manor Nursing Home in Denham Springs, La. He was 86.

Services were held on May 12, 2011 at Brown Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. LaDon Dawson and Rev. Carlos Dawson officiating. Interment was at New Hope Cemetery near Gloster, Miss.

Mr. Dawson was born March 26, 1925 in Crosby, Miss. to Luther C. Dawson and Allie Bateman Dawson. He worked for Amite County Supervisors and East Baton Rouge Parish Supervisors. He was a member of New Hope Methodist-Protestant Church in Gloster, Miss and a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and four brothers.

He is survived by four daughters, Annette Rome and husband Wade of Central, La, Mamie James of Jackson, La, Diane Adams and husband Greg of Denham Springs, La and Bessie Kirkland and husband Perry of Clinton, La; one son, Lamottis Dawson Jr and wife Belinda of Denham Springs, La; fifteen grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 1 great great grandchild; two brothers, Nelson Dawson of Liberty, Miss and Lloyd Dawson of Walls, Miss; one sister, Florence Byrd of Petal, Miss and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Mr. Dawson's grandsons.

**Sherrilyn R. Williams**

Sherrilyn R. Williams, 75, passed away at Liberty Community Living Center in Liberty, Miss on Sunday, May 14, 2011.

Services were held Monday, May 16, 2011 at Brown Funeral Home Chapel in Liberty, Miss. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery.

She was born February 26, 1936 to Homer Bennett Griffiths and Sherrilyn Lou Holton Griffiths in Saluda, Col. She was a retired laborer with a plating shop and was of Presbyterian Faith.

She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by one son, Robin Mark Hollis and his wife Tami L. Hollis of Hammond, La.; three granddaughters, Peach Brandy Brooks of Hattiesburg, Miss, Nattaly and Angelina Young both of Hammond, La.; one grandson, and 9 great-grandchildren.

**SCHOOL NEWS**

PHCA's last day of school will be Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at 12:00 noon and all students need to report to school.

Parents please make sure your child/children report to school everyday. We have not dismissed for summer yet and the days they miss leading up to the last day of school is just as important as all the other days.

Parents please remember June tuition and all fees are due before your child can get their report cards.

Pre-registration is still going on until June 1st. Cost per child is \$60.00 and after June 1st cost will be \$100.00 per child. Book fees are the same.

PHCA will put a notice on the front and back door of the school, as well as a notice in the Wilk-Amite Record which days the office will be open for the summer so parents can come pay book fees and registration fees. If you have any questions please call the office at 601-225-4721 or 601-639-4497 after 5:00.

All parents need to come by the office and fill out a new registration paper. We have to have a new form filled out for this coming school year with new information on it.



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19. Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	2010	46	No Range	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizers, soil, herbicides, pesticides, sewage treatment plants.	
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>									
Chlorine	N	2010 <sup>1</sup>	1.41	1.05 - 1.76	ppm	0	MDS# 4	Water additive used to boost disinfection.	

<sup>1</sup> Mean value reported. <sup>2</sup> Maximum value reported for 2010.

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We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific constituents on a monthly basis. However, regular monitoring is not always possible for drinking water health risk treatments. We had to make an exception for lead testing for 2010. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MCHLE systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

If you've experienced levels of lead that cause health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children, drinking water is probably the most likely cause and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our water is safe to drink, but we encourage you to take steps to reduce the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

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