

**MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY  
CALENDAR YEAR 2012 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT  
CERTIFICATION FORM**

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**WALKER SWITCH WATER ASSOCIATION**

Public Water Supply Name

**0710011**

PWS ID#(s) (List 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. Depending on the population served by the public water system, this CCR must be mailed to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request.

***Please Answer the Following Questions Regarding the Consumer Confidence Report***

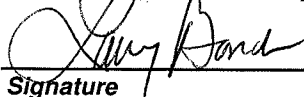
- Customers were informed of availability of CCR by:
- Advertisement in local paper
  - On water bills
  - Other
- Date customers were informed: 5 / 3 / 13
- CCR was distributed by mail or other direct delivery. Specify other direct delivery methods:  
Date Mailed/Distributed: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_
- CCR was published in local newspaper. (Attach copy of published CCR & proof of publication)  
Name of Newspaper: Tishomingo County Vidette  
Date Published: 4 / 25 / 13
- 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. I further certify that the information included in this CCR is true and correct and is consistent with the water quality monitoring data provided to the public water system official by the Mississippi State Department of Health, Bureau of Water Supply.

**Larry Bonds, President**

*Name/Title (President, Mayor, Owner, etc.) Please type/print*

  
Signature

May 10 / 2013  
Date

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In accordance with the Radionuclides Rule, all community public water supplies were required to sample quarterly for radionuclides beginning January 2007 - December 2007. Your public water supply completed sampling by the scheduled deadline, however, during an audit of the Mississippi State Department of Health Radiological Health Laboratory, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suspended analyses and reporting of radiological compliance samples and results until further notice. Although this was not the result of the public water supply, MSDH was required to issue a violation. This is to notify you that as of this date, your water system has completed the monitoring requirements and is now in compliance with the Radionuclides Rule. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Walters, Director of Compliance & Enforcement, Bureau of Public Water Supply, at (601)576-7518.

The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA and the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

**Walker Switch Water Association**  
**PWS ID # 0710011**  
**2012 WATER QUALITY DATA TABLE**

Contaminants (units)	MCLG or MRLDG	MCL, TT, or MRLD	Your Water	Range		Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source
				Low	High			
<b>Disinfectants &amp; Disinfection By-Products</b>								
Chlorine (ppm) (WSWA)	4	4	0.80	0.50	1.60	2012	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Chlorine (ppm) (City of Iuka)	4	4	1.00	0.70	1.30	2012	No	Water additive used to control microbes
HAAs (Haloacetic Acids) (ppb)	0	60	5.0	N/A	N/A	2011	No	By-Product of drinking water chlorination
THM (Total Trihalomethanes) (ppb)	0	80	4.0	N/A	N/A	2011	No	By-Product of drinking water chlorination
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>								
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.0091	N/A	N/A	2010	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Chromium (ppm)	0.1	0.1	0.0011	N/A	N/A	2010	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen) (ppm)	10	10	0.02	N/A	N/A	2012	No	Runoff from fertilizer users; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Selenium (ppm)	0.05	0.05	0.0011	N/A	N/A	2010	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines
<b>Contaminants (units) MCLG AL Your Water # Samples Exceeding AL Exceeds AL Sample Date Typical Source</b>								
<b>Inorganic Contaminants (Lead and Copper)</b>								
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0	0	0	No	2011	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead (ppb)	0	15	0	0	0	No	2011	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
<b>Important Drinking Water Definitions</b>								
MCLG - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.							
MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.							
AL - Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers a treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.							
TT - Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.							
MRLDG - Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRLDGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.							
MRLD - Maximum Residual Disinfection Level	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.							
MNR - Monitored Not Regulated								
MPL - State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level								
<b>Unit Descriptions</b>								
ppb - Parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/l)	ppm - Parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)							
pCi/L - PicoCuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)	NA - not applicable							
ND - Not detected	NR - Monitoring not required, but recommended							

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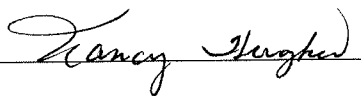
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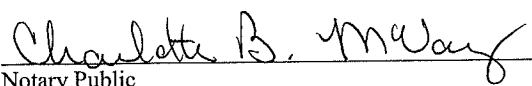
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SAMPLE RESULTS**

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 COUNTY TISHOMINGO  
 SAMPLE POINT TF080

COLLECTOR J CLINGAN  
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 LAB ID 120403-024N1

SAMPLE TYPE NITR  
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 COMPOSITED NO

LOCATION 952 WEST 2ND ST

ID	ANALYTE NAME	METHOD	RESULT	MCL	ANALYST	ANALYSIS
1040	NITRATE	353.2	0.17 ppm	10 ppm	Anita.Johnson	2012-04-03 10:49
1041	NITRITE	353.2	< 0.02 ppm	1 ppm	Anita.Johnson	2012-04-03 10:49
1038	NITRATE-NITRITE	353.2	0.17 ppm	10 ppm	Anita.Johnson	2012-04-03 10:49

CSU = Calculated Sample Uncertainty

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