

2020 CERTIFICATION

Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

Town of Richton

Public Water System Name

0560004

List PWS ID #s for all Community Water Systems included in this CCR

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires each Community Public Water System (PWS) to develop and distribute a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to its customers each year. Depending on the population served by the PWS, this CCR must be mailed or delivered to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request. Make sure you follow the proper procedures when distributing the CCR.

CCR DISTRIBUTION (Check all boxes that apply.)

INDIRECT DELIVERY METHODS (Attach copy of publication, water bill or other)	DATE ISSUED
<input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement in local paper (Attach copy of advertisement)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On water bills (Attach copy of bill)	<i>6-1-2021</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Email message (Email the message to the address below)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Distributed via U. S. Postal Mail	<i>6-1-2021</i>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Published in local newspaper (attach copy of published CCR or proof of publication)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Posted in public places (attach list of locations) <i>Richton Municipal Complex, Richton Library</i>	<i>6-1-2021</i>
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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the CCR has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above and that I used distribution methods allowed by the SDWA. 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 PWS officials by the MSDH, Bureau of Public Water Supply.

Michael W. Ruff
Name

Morgan
Title

6-4-2021
Date

SUBMISSION OPTIONS (Select one method ONLY)

You must email, fax (not preferred), or mail a copy of the CCR and Certification to the MSDH.

Mail: (U.S. Postal Service)
MSDH, Bureau of Public Water Supply
P.O. Box 1700
Jackson, MS 39215

Email: water.reports@msdh.ms.gov

Fax: (601) 576-7800

(NOT PREFERRED)

CCR DEADLINE TO MSDH & CUSTOMERS: BY JULY 1, 2021

2020 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Town of Richton
PWS#: 0560004
May 2021

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Drinking Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and service 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 is from wells drawing from the Miocene Series Aquifer and the Catahoula Formation Aquifer.

The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water to identified potential source of contamination. The general susceptibility ranking assigned to each well of this system is 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. Wells #2 and #4 for the Town of Richton has a higher susceptibility of contamination ranking while Well #3 received a moderate susceptibility of contamination ranking.

We're pleased to report that our drinking water meets all federal and state requirements.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact James H. Pitts at 601-788-6015. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 PM, 206 Dogwood Avenue East (Richton Municipal Complex).

The Town of Richton routinely monitors your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table below lists contaminants that were detected during the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2020. In cases monitoring wasn't required in 2020, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals and radioactive substances. 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 system. All drinking water, including bottled 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.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions.

(AL) Action Level - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

(MCL) Maximum Contaminant Level - The Maximum Allowed is the highest contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

(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.

(MRDLG) Maximum residual disinfectant level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

(MRDL) Maximum residual disinfectant 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.

(PPM) Parts Per Million - or (MG/L) Milligrams Per Liter - one part per millions corresponds to one minute in two years or a penny in ten thousand dollars.

(PPB) Parts Per Billion - or (PG/L) Micrograms Per Liter - one part per billions corresponds to one minute in two thousand years or a single penny in ten million dollars.

(PCI/L) Picocuries per liter - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

TEST RESULTS

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
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Inorganic Contaminants								
Barium	No	2019*	0.0659	0	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling waste; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (As N)	No	2020	0.08	0	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use, leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrite (As N)	No	2020	.02	0	ppm	1	1	Runoff from fertilizer use, leaching from septic tanks, sewage, erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate-Nitrite (As N)	No	2018*	0.21	0	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	No	2019*	0.101	0	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Cyanide	No	2019*	0.015	0	ppm	0.2	0.2	Discharge from steel/metal factories; discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories.

Disinfection By-Products								
Chlorine	No	2020	1.60	.59 - 2.14	mg/l	0	MRDL=4	Water additive used to control microbes
HAA5	No	2020	6.0	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
THM	No	2020	160	No Range	ppb	0	80	By product of drinking water chlorination

Radioactive Contaminants								
Combined Uranium	No	2018*	1.1	0	ppb	0	30	Erosion of natural deposits

Unregulated Contaminants								
Sodium	No	2019*	26000	1	ppb	0	0	Road salt, water treatment chemicals, water softeners and sewage effluents

Inorganic Contaminants (Lead and Copper)						
Contaminants	MCLG	AL	# of Samples > AL	Sample Date	Violations	Typical Source
Copper	0.1	1.3	10	2018-2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching; Corrosion of household plumbing; from wood preservatives
Lead	0.004	.015	10	2018-2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposit

*Most Recent Sample . No samples required for 2020.

As you can see by the table our system had no contaminant violation. 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. The Town of Richton 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 at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers testing for \$10 per sample. Please contact 601-576-7582 if you wish to have your water tested.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substance that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic 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 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 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/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline 800-426-4791.

The Town of Richton 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.

Copies are being mailed to each customer. Copies will also be available at City Hall upon request.

ACCOUNT NO. SERVICE FROM SERVICE TO
 03-0180001 04/28 05/28
 SERVICE ADDRESS

119 FRONT ST. NORTH

METER READINGS
 CURRENT PREVIOUS USED

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CHARGE FOR SERVICES

WTR 19.00
 SWR 14.25
 TAX 1.33
 NET DUE >>> 34.58
 SAVE THIS >> 10.70
 GROSS DUE >> 45.28

RETURN THIS STUB WITH PAYMENT TO:
 TOWN OF RICHTON
 P.O. BOX 493 - RICHTON, MS 39476
 (PHONE) 788-6015

PRESORTED
 FIRST-CLASS MAIL
 U.S. POSTAGE
 PAID
 PERMIT NO. 12
 RICHTON, MS

PAY NET AMOUNT
 ON OR BEFORE
 DUE DATE

34.58

DUE DATE

06/15/2021

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PAY GROSS
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CCR'S AVAILABLE

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

03-0180001
 THE RICHTON DISPATCH
 RUSSELL TURNER
 P O BOX 1502
 RICHTON, MS 39476