

November 7, 2013 10:30 p.m.

Charter Township of Union

Boil Your Water Before Using

A loss in pressure in the Charter Township of Union Water System on River Road between Bamber Road and Deer Run Subdivision has occurred due to a water main break. Bacterial contamination may have occurred in the water system in this area only. Residents and businesses, including food establishments along River Road between Bamber Road and just west of Deer Run Subdivision including north and south of River Road on Crawford Road, all of Fox Meadow Subdivision, and Windstone Drive are affected:

Bacteria are common throughout our environment and are not generally harmful. However, whenever a water system loses pressure for any significant length of time, precautionary measures are recommended.

DO NOT DRINK OR SERVE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for five minutes, and let it cool before using, or used bottled water. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, coffee, pop or other beverages, and preparing food until further notice.

Food establishment operators should follow the instructions in the "Emergency Action Plans for Retail Food Establishments" guide. This document is available on the Michigan Department of Agriculture Web site at www.michigan.gov/michiganprepares. Instructions are available in English, Spanish, Arabic, and Chinese.

The Charter Township of Union Water System is working to restore pressure. Water staff will take remedial actions such as flushing and collecting bacteriological samples from the system to determine when the water meets the state drinking water standards. It's estimated the problem will be resolved by **(Sunday – November 10, 2013).**

The boil water notice remains in effect until results from the sampling verify the water is safe to drink. **Another notice will be issued and posted on the Township's website www.uniontownshipmi.com when the boil water advisory has been lifted.** For more information, please contact Union Township at 989-772-4600 or info@uniontownshipmi.com.

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the Environmental Protection Agency Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused

Thank you for your cooperation,

The Charter Township of Union Utility Department