

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Board of Commissioners conducts its public meetings twice per month in the Main Office Board Room at 8814 Main Street, Houma, Louisiana at 5:30 PM on the first and third Mondays of each month. Meetings may be rescheduled or cancelled for conflicts or holidays as the Board of Commissioners deems necessary.

The Environmental Protection Agency has mandated that community water systems annually inform its customers of the quality of the water delivered by the system to its customers. We are extremely pleased to state that Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1 is currently under no violations, variances, or exemptions. We are still required to inform you of certain risks and inform you about possible contaminants that may be contained in drinking water.

Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1 currently operates two independent water treatment plants distributing water to separate sections of Terrebonne Parish. Under certain emergency conditions, water may come from either plant. The primary difference between the two plants is the water source. Both plants utilize the coagulation, sedimentation, filtration, and disinfection process to treat the surface source water. Granular activated carbon and sand filters are utilized to filter water and adsorb many organic and some inorganic compounds. This adsorption process greatly enhances the water's taste and odor characteristics. Chlorine is the primary plant disinfectant. Chloramine disinfectant is injected prior to water entering the distribution system.

#### GENERAL INFORMATIONAL STATEMENTS and WARNINGS

- The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or human activity.
- 2. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:
  - Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which 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 stormwater 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 stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
  - d. 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, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
  - e. Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- 3. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.
- 4. 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 at 1-800-426-4791.
- 5. 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 microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

## WATER SOURCES

#### SCHRIEVER WATER TREATMENT PLANT:

Surface Water from Bayou Lafourche. The bayou runs from Donaldsonville, LA to the Gulf of Mexico. The bayou obtains most of its water from the Mississippi River @

Donaldsonville, LA.

### HOUMA WATER TREATMENT PLANT USES TWO SOURCES OF WATER:

**PRIMARY:** Surface Water from Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (generally flows east/west along coastal Louisiana and other Gulf states: rain water runoff, Mississippi River influence, Atchafalaya River influence, and tidal water influence)

**SECONDARY:** Bayou Black (when the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway becomes too salty: chlorides greater than 250 ppm)

**SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT:** A source water assessment has been performed for both the Schriever & the Houma Water Treatment Plants. The reports and the area maps may be viewed at Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1's office at 8814 Main Street, Houma, LA.

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#### **CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT** (for Calendar Year 2016) DEFINITIONS: to assist you in understanding the Consumer Confidence Report. Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking Picocuries per Liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water. MCLG: MDRLG: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level pCi/L: Maximum Residual Disintectant Level Goal: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Nephelometric Turbidity Units: Is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just NTU: for control of microbial contaminants. MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The noticeable to the average person highest level of a contaminant that is N.D.: Non Detected: Laboratory analysis allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment indicates that the contaminant is not present. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CCR; Contact Ray Percle Parts per Million: One part per million corresponds to 1 minute in 2 years or a single penny in \$10,000.00 ppm: technology. (985) 879-2495 or (985) 448-1576 MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level: The highest level of a disinfectant level. allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of Parts per Billion: One part per billion corresponds to 1 minute in 2000 years ppb: or a single penny in \$10,000,000.00

# **TABLE of CONTAMINANTS and OTHER WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS**

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The EPA register mandates that ALL DETECTED CONTAMINANTS be included in the CCR whether or not the level detected meets or exceeds the MCL or MCLG. As such, the following

table lists the detected contaminant levels of Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1 drinking water.

microbial contaminants

TREATMENT PLANTS										
	PUBLIC WATER		SYSTEM ID Nos.							
CONTAMINANT	HO	HOUMA		SCHRIEVER				Violation		
Clarity	MAXIMUM	LOW %	MAXIMUM	LOW %	UNITS	MCLG	MCL	Yes/No	Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Turbidity (Plant)	0.34	100	0.42	99	NTU	n/a	0.3		Soil Runoff	
	Turbidity is a measure LOW %	sure of the cloudine Lowest monthly p	ess of the water. To ercentage of samp	urbidity is a good inc les meeting requiren	licator of the nents specif	e effectiveness fied for treatme	of the filtration nt technology	system.		
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MICROBIOLOGICAL	NO. of POSITIVES	MO. %	NO. of POSITIVES	MO. %	UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Total Coliforms (>40 Samples/mo.	0 The MCL: present	0.00 se of coliform bacte	0	0.0 selomes v	Positive	0	See Below	No	Naturally present in the environment	
Fecal Coliform and E. coli				0 0	Positive	0	See Below	No	Human and animal fecal waste	
The MCL: a routine sample & a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or E. coli positive.										
VOLATILE ORGANICS	MAXIMUM RANGE		MAXIMUM RANGE		UNITS	MCLG	MCLG MCL		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Stage II (latest EPA rule)	Data From 4	Sample Sites	Data From 8	Sample Sites	nnh	٥	80	No	By product of drinking water chloringtion	
Haloacetic Acid (HAA5's)	28	3 - 31	43	10 - 21	ppb	0	60	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination.	
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INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS	90 <sup>th</sup> PER- CENTILE ('14)	# EXCEEDS ACTION LEVEL	90 <sup>th</sup> PER- CENTILE ('16)	# EXCEEDS ACTION LEVEL	UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Lead (Lead/Copper Program)	2	0	0	0	ppb	0	AL=15	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of r	natural deposits.
Copper (Lead/Copper Program)	0.6	0	0.3	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of r Leaching from wood preservatives	natural deposits;
INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS	MAXIMUM	RANGE	MAXIMUM	RANGE	UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Barium	0.053	0.53 (one taken)	0.059	0.059 (one taken)	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refin	eries;
Nitrate-Nitrite	0.17	0.17 (one taken)	0.93	0.93 (one taken)	ppm	10/1	10/1	No	Runoff from fertilizer use: leaking from septic tank, sew	age;
									erosion of natural deposits	
RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS	махімі ім	RANGE	ΜΔΧΙΜΙΙΜ	RANGE		MCI G	MCI		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
Radium	2.31	2.31 (one taken)	Not Detected	Not Detected	pCi/L	0	5	No	Erosion of natural deposits	
* EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for Beta particles.										
DISINFECTANT/OXIDANTS	AVG.		AVG.		UNITS	MRDL	MRDL		Maior Sources in Drinking Water	
Chlorine (disinfection leaving plant)	3.6		3.70		ppm	4	4	No	Disinfectant added at the treatment plant; maintains at	least a 0.4 ppm residual
	HIGH	RANGE	HIGH	RANGE					at furthermost point of distribution system	
Chlorine dioxide	0.05	0 - 0.05 RANGE		0 - 0.78 RANGE	ppm	0.8	0.8	NO	Strong oxidant added to oxidize organics	
Chlorite ion	0.40	.0104	0.183	0.01 - 0.183	ppm	1	1	No	Degradation of chlorine dioxide	
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REMOVAL (TOC)	RAA	QIRLY RAA RANGE	RAA	RANGE	UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Major Sources in Drinking Water	
TOC Removal	1.70	1.7 - 1.96	2.03	2.03 - 2.44	(ratio)	n/a	1.0 **	No	Organic Carbon results from decomposed organic mat	ter present in water sources
	** Ratio of the act	ual TOC removal co	ompared to the req	uired removal by reg	julation					
GENERAL CHEMISTRIES	AVG.		AVG.		UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Maior Sources in Drinking Water	
Turbidity (Distribution)	0.43		0.53		NTU	n/a	n/a	n/a	Sediment in water distribution lines	
	HIGH QRAA	RANGE	HIGH QRAA	RANGE					QRAA; Quarterly Running Annual Average	
Chloramine Residual (Distribution)	2.93 YEARLY AVG	2.89 - 2.93	3.24 YEARLY AVG	3.12 - 3.24	ppm	4	4	NO	0.4 Minimum Residual at Furthermost Point in Distribut	ion System
Fluoride	1.06		0.96		ppm	2	2	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promo	otes strong teeth;
Hardness	80		153		nom	pla	nla	n/o	discharge from fertilizer & aluminum factories	salts in the source water
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	No. of SAMPLES	No. DETECTED	No. of SAMPLES	No. DETECTED	UNITS	MCLG	MCL		Sampling Performed on Plants' Raw Water Sources	i
	3	0	12	1					Cryptosporidium is a microbial parasite found in surface	e water throughout the U.S. Although
WATER TREATMENT RULE	(2016 Sampling)		(2016 Sampling)	RESULTS					filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most common fi	iltration methods cannot guarantee 100
				0.01	Oocysts/	n/a	n/a	n/a	Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the	e or mese organisms in our source water. e organisms are dead or if they are
					iller				capable of causing disease.	