# [DATE]

# NOTICE OF CHLORINATION

[SYSTEM] is adding chlorine to disinfect the water system.

## What should I do?

* You may want to let the water run for a few minutes to flush plumbing of discolored water before using it for drinking, cooking, or laundry.
* You do not need to boil your water.
* Fish tanks and bait shops should not use chlorinated water in tanks
* If you are on kidney dialysis or have another medical condition, contact your health care provider for more information.

## What happened?

The drinking water may have been contaminated due to [list a recent event or other possible causes for the contamination] that occurred on [DATE]. The affected area includes: [include geographical description, street boundaries, etc.].

## What are we doing?

We will be adding chlorine to system on [beginning date]. We are adding chlorine to disinfect the system by killing bacteria that may have contaminated the water. Adding chlorine to the water may react with iron and/or manganese in water mains. The iron and/or manganese can cause the water to become a black or reddish-brown color. [Describe any additional corrective actions] We plan to chlorinate the system until [provide details].

## What may be the health effects?

Consumers with health concerns related to chlorine in drinking water may choose to use bottled water or a safe alternative source during this period. The levels of chlorine used for drinking water disinfection are unlikely to cause long-term health effects. More information at [Drinking Water Chlorination: Frequently Asked Questions (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/factsheet/chlorination.html](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/factsheet/chlorination.html)).

## For more information

Please contact [system contact] at [phone number].

For more information: [Community Drinking Water Advisory Guidance (https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/docs/com/dwaguidance.pdf](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/docs/com/dwaguidance.pdf)).

This notice is being sent to you by [system]. Public Water System ID #\_\_\_\_