

# Water Filtration Plant PWSID 1090037 Morrisville Borough MMA 2016 Water-Quality Report

The Morrisville Municipal Authority Water Filtration Plant is committed to providing residents with a safe and reliable supply of high-quality drinking water. We test our water using sophisticated equipment and advanced procedures. The Morrisville Municipal Authority Water Filtration Plant water meets all state and federal standards for both appearance and safety. This annual "Consumer Confidence Report," required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), tells you where your water comes from, what our tests show about it, and other things you should know about drinking water.

We are proud to report that the water provided by the Morrisville Municipal Authority Water Filtration Plant meets or exceeds established water-quality standards.

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda. (This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you, or speak with someone who understands it.)

We encourage public interest and participation in our community's decisions affecting drinking water. Regular monthly board meetings occur on the third Thursday of each month, at the Morrisville Borough Municipal building at 7:30 P.M.. The public is welcome. More information is available on the World Wide Web at http://www.mmawatersewer.com.

### **Overview**

The Morrisville Water Filtration Plant is located at River Road and Ferry Road. This plant has been in operation since August, 1968. We presently employ 13 people to operate this facility 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The Morrisville Municipal Authority currently operates a DEP certified microbiology laboratory for weekly testing of your drinking water. We presently have eight employees who hold PA. D.E.P. certifications to operate our Class A water plant.

#### **Emergency Contact Information**

Please contact (215) 295-8181 or visit www.mmawatersewer.org to provide emergency contact information

#### Water Source

The Morrisville Municipal Authority Water Filtration Plant is supplied by surface water from the non-tidal section of the Delaware River, which is managed by the Delaware River Basin Commission. A *Source Water Assessment* of our source was completed in June 2002, by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa DEP). The assessment found that our source is potentially susceptible to contamination from treated and untreated sewage, urban, residential and agricultural runoff, industrial facilities, storage tanks, landfills, spills and accidents. A summary report is available on the Source Water Assessment & Protection Web Page at (http://www.dep.state.pa/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm).

Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water suppliers, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP Southeast Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (484) 250-5900.

#### How Do I Read This Chart?

The table below shows the results of our water-quality analyses. Every regulated contaminant that we detected in the water, even in the most minute traces, is listed here. The table contains the name of each substance, the highest level allowed by regulation (MCL), the ideal goals for public health, the amount detected, the usual sources of such contamination, footnotes explaining our findings, and a key to units of measurement. Definitions of MCL and MCLG are important.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: 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.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: 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.

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

#### Key to Table

AL = Action Level CCR = Consumer Confidence Report CDC = Center for Disease Control MCL = Maximum Contaminant Level NA = Not Applicable RAA = Running Annual Average MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal MRDL = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level MRDLG = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Goal MFL = million fibers per liter NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units (Measure of clarity of water) MRLR = Minimum Residual Level Required mrem/year = millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body) pci/l = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity) ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l) TT = Treatment Technique ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/l) ppt = parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter production of programs per liter (µg/l) ppt = parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter productive productive) measure of productive productiv

## DETECTED SAMPLE RESULTS:

Chemical Cor	ntaminants												
		MCL in CCR		Level		ge of	CCR		Vi		n		
Contaminant		Units	MCLG/MRD			ctions	Units		Sample Date			Sources of Contamination	
TTHM Sample Site 704		80 RAA	NA	45.23		-48.1	ppb	20	2016			By-product of drinking water chlorination	
TTHM Sample Site 705		80 RAA	NA	52.18	37.6-67.2		ppb	20	2016		By-p	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
TTHM Sample Site 730		80 RAA	NA	52.85	36.4-69.5		ppb	20	)16	Ν	By-p	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
TTHM Sample Site 791		80 RAA	NA	57.25	47.4-65.3		ppb	20	2016		By-p	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
HAA5 Sample Site 704		60 RAA	NA	46.13	38.2-52.4		ppb	20	2016			By-product of drinking water disinfection	
HAA5 Sample Site 705		60 RAA	NA	51.45	41.1-68.5		ppb	20	2016		By-p	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
HAA5 Sample Site 730		60 RAA	NA	51.40	39-73.1		ppb	20	2016		By-J	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
HAA5 Sample Site 791		60 RAA	NA	26.88	5.8-48.5		ppb	20	2016			By-product of drinking water disinfection	
Chloroform (THM)		NA	NA	18.7	18.7		ppb	1/1	1/15/16		By-p	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Bromodichloron	Bromodichloromethane		NA	3.9	3.9		ppb	1/1	1/15/16			By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Barium (IOC	Barium (IOC)		2.0	0.0132	x	XX	ppm	4/22	4/22/2016			Discharge of drilling wastes, discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits	
Nitrate		10	10	0.81	XXX		ppm	1/15/2016		Ν		Runoff from fertilizer use	
Disinfection Results   Chlorine (Entry Point) MRLR=0.2 4 0.9 0.9 -2.1 ppm 6/10/2016 N Water additive used to control microbes													
Chlorine (Ent	Chlorine (Entry Point)		2 4	0.9	0.9 0.9		ppm	6/10	6/10/2016 N		Wa	Water additive used to control microbes	
	Chlorine (Distribution)		4	1.68	0.6-1.68		ppm	3/2	3/2016		Wa	Water additive used to control microbes	
Radionuclides	-			•							<u> </u>		
	Combined Uranium		NA	0.098	Х	XX	pci/l		1/14	Ν		Erosion of natural deposits	
	Gross Alpha		NA	0.123	X	XX	pci/l		1/14	N		Erosion of natural deposits	
Radium-226	Radium-226		NA	0.0531	XXX		pci/l	3/1	1/14	N		Erosion of natural deposits	
Radium-228		NA	NA	0.318	Х	xx	pci/l	3/1	1/14	Ν		Erosion of natural deposits	
Lead and Copper Sample results from 2016													
				90th Percenti			# of Sites Above		e AL	L Violation Y/N		Sources of	
Contaminant			evel (AL) MCLG 5 0		Value		Units of 7		Total Sites			Contamination	
Lead	Lead		0 8.2		ppb		2			N	C	Corrosion of household plumbing.	
Copper	Copper 1.3		1.3	0.205		ppb		0	Ν		C	Corrosion of household plumbing.	
Microbial		7	otal Routine San	voles Taken I	225								
							Highest	Highest # or % of		olation			
Contar	minants		MCL				MCLG	•	Positive Samples		Y/N	Sources of Contamination	
Total Coliform F			r systems that collect <40 samp			onth:	0	1 or	1 or 5.56%		N I	Naturally present in the environment.	
Bacteria			• More than 1 positive month										
Fecal Coliform B	Secal Coliform Bacteria or E. coli			0			0		0		N H	Human and animal fecal waste.	
Turbidity										·			
Turbidity									Sample		Violation		
Contaminant			MCL			LG	Result		Date		Y/N	Source of Contamination	
Turbidity	TT=1 N	1 NTU for a single measurement			(	)	0.21		12/6/2016		Ν	Soil runoff.	
	TT= at le	t least 95% of monthly samples $\leq 0.3$ NTU					100 %	5 20			Ν	]	
Total Organic Co	arhor (TO	C)											
10iul Orgunic Cl													
Contaminant		Range of % Removal Required Range of percent removal achieve				Numl	per of quarte complianc			Violation Y/N		Sources of Contamination	
TOC		35%	32	.1 % - 53.8	%		0		N		Natural	Naturally present in the environment.	
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#### Violations: MCL Violations for HAA5 (Haloacetic Acids).

We generated a mcl violation for sample site 705 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016. Highly turbid water treated before testing on October 5, 2015 created higher-than-normal Haloacetic Acid 5 levels in our system. This was a temporary result of increasing disinfection (chlorine) as a matter of safety. We conducted additional testing, and have since changed treatment techniques which will help reduce Haloacetic Acid 5 formation. We have also installed flushing stations in remote areas of the system to help reduce water age. Please note that this is a summary report of past events. Public notifications were previously distributed for these violations.

**Health Effects:** People who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

### **Required Additional Health Information**

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes limits on the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulates EPA's established contaminant levels for bottled water the same as public water systems.

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).

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 radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

(A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

(B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

(C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

(D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, 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. 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 as EPA established regulations. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than is 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 are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

#### Information about Lead

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 Morrisville Municipal Authority** 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 or at <u>http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</u>.