

NOTICE OF DRINKING WATER VARIANCE
FOR CUSTOMERS SERVED BY:
FLORIDA GOVERNMENTAL UTILITY AUTHORITY
LEHIGH ACRES DRINKING WATER TREATMENT PLANT #2

SITUATION

On December 11, 2007, the Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA) Lehigh Acres water system was granted a variance from having to meet the established maximum contaminant level (MCL) for the Secondary contaminant of Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), in their finished drinking water. This variance was then extended on April 20, 2010. Rule 62-550, Florida Administrative Code, identifies the MCL for TDS as 500 milligrams per liter (mg/L). Under the variance, the Lehigh Acres drinking water system is allowed to have a TDS concentration of up to 1000 mg/L, in their finished water during the timeframe of December 11, 2007 until December 10, 2012. By this time, the FGUA intends to develop an alternative and a solution at WTP No. 2 to reduce TDS levels below the MCL.

REASON FOR THE VARIANCE

The reason the Lehigh Acres water system needs the variance is that the raw water source reasonably available has levels of TDS above the MCL and the current treatment at this plant does not provide effective removal of TDS.

HEALTH EFFECTS

The granting of this variance will not result in any unreasonable risk to health to the customers served by this water system. There are no known health effects associated with TDS concentrations less than 1000 mg/L.

WHAT SHOULD CUSTOMERS DO?

Customers do not need to take any action.

WHAT IS BEING DONE?

The variance extension expires on December 10, 2012. By this time, the FGUA intends to develop an alternative and a solution at WTP No. 2 to reduce TDS levels below the MCL.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information or to provide public input in the review of the variance, please contact the customer service office at 239-368-1615 or via email fguacs_lehigh@govserv.com.

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