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NOTICE: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM

Attention Well Drilling and Well Pumping Companies:

The County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health (DPH), Environmental Health Division is providing this notification to well drilling and well pumping companies affected by changes in California regulations related to drinking water. These changes became effective July 1, 2014 and will be implemented immediately by the Drinking Water Program.

The Los Angeles County Health and Safety Code, Title 11, Section 11.38.165 requires drinking water wells to comply with bacteriological and primary chemical requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Standards. On July 1, 2014, MCLs for Hexavalent Chromium (0.010 mg/L) were added to the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64431. Therefore, effective immediately, well yield tests conducted to provide proof of an adequate supply of potable water for a private well or public and private water systems shall include results for Hexavalent Chromium (MCL of 0.010 mg/L) along with total Chromium (MCL of 0.05 mg/L) and other inorganic chemicals listed by the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64431.

If you require additional information, please contact Epifanio Braganza, Environmental Health Specialist with the Drinking Water Program at (626) 430-5420, waterquality@ph.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully,

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