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BOIL WATER ADVISORY

Due to a severe water main break on North Collier Street on Wednesday, October 26th, water pressure may have dropped to a level that could possibly allow back flow and contamination for City of Centralia water customers east of Collier Street. When water pressure is low, conditions exist which could allow contamination to enter the distribution system or household plumbing. Therefore, the City of Centralia has issued a "boil water advisory" for City of Centralia water customers east of Collier Street (which includes all houses east of Jefferson Street) effective immediately through at least midnight, Friday, October 28th. This is not a boil ORDER. This is not City-wide and does not affect any other water systems.

Anyone served by the City of Centralia water system in the affected area, particularly those with small children or anyone with a compromised immune system, may wish to observe the following precautions:

- Boil water vigorously for three minutes prior to use for cooking, drinking or brushing teeth.
- Disinfect food contact surfaces (dishes) by immersing them for at least one minute in clean tap water that contains one teaspoon of unscented household bleach per gallon of water.
- Use only boiled water for brushing teeth.
- Dispose of ice cubes made with water dispensed after 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 26th, and remake with water that has been boiled.
- Continue boiling all water that is to be used for cooking or drinking until the advisory is rescinded.
- Water used for hand washing or bathing does not generally need to be boiled. Supervision of children is necessary while bathing so water is not ingested.
- Persons with cuts or severe rashes may wish to consult their physicians.
- LET WATER COOL SUFFICIENTLY BEFORE DRINKING.

Specific questions may be referred to Centralia City Hall 573-682-2139.

Sincerely,

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