PUBLIC NOTIFICATION CITY OF WALTERBORO WATER SYSTEM DISINFECTANT

The South Carolina Department of Environmental Services (SCDES) has established guidelines which require the City of Walterboro to publish this Public Notification that the Walterboro Water System utilizes a series of deep groundwater wells for its water supply. Disinfection of the water is achieved through the use of an aqueous solution of chlorine at each well. The Walterboro Water System annually publishes its Consumer Confidence Report providing information on the system's compliance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the SCDES State Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The City is also required to provide this public notification of procedures to be followed in the unlikely event of a gas chlorine leak. Chlorine used by the City is stored in pressurized steel tanks located inside each wellhouse and if released, would be in the form of a yellow-green gas that smells like bleach and remains close to the ground. If a release were to be observed, you are urged to move away from the release, go indoors, shelter in place making sure windows are closed and ventilation systems are turned off to make sure the chlorine does not come inside, call 911, and follow the instructions given to you by your local emergency personnel.

For questions or concerns, please contact the City of Walterboro, 300 Hampton Street, Walterboro, SC 29488 Tel.843-782-1065.