



Ministry of
Environment

Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory

This Advisory applies to the residents and users of the Elstow North Rural Water Utility's distribution system, and is effective: Wednesday November 16, 2011 at 6:00 pm until further notice.

Pursuant to clause 32(1)(a) of *The Environmental Management and Protection Act 2002* this Precautionary Drinking Water Advisory is issued due to inadequate chlorine levels in the distribution system and therefore the safety of *the Elstow North Rural Water Utility* drinking water supply cannot be ensured at all times. Therefore, pursuant to Clause 32(1)(b) of *The Environmental Management and Protection Act 2002*, consumers must be notified to:

- (a) boil all water, used for drinking purposes, for at least one (1) minute, at a rolling boil, prior to use;
- (b) boil water to be used for other activities where it may be ingested, including:
 - (i) brushing teeth or soaking false teeth;
 - (ii) dishwashing, unless sanitized in another fashion;
 - (iii) washing fruits and vegetables;
 - (iv) food or drink which will not be subsequently heated; and
 - (v) ice cubes;
- (c) not drink from any public drinking fountains supplied with water from the public water supply;
- (d) under most circumstances, not need to boil water used for other household purposes. Adults, adolescents and older children may shower, bathe or wash using tap water but should avoid swallowing the water. Laundry may be washed in tap water, either by hand or by machine.
- (e) ensure that younger children and infants are sponge bathed;
- (f) use an alternative water source known to be safe, if they do not wish to boil the water; and
- (g) consult with your physician if you have cuts or rashes that are severe before using the water.

If you require any additional information, please contact the following:

Water Utility	306 – 255 - 2355
Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment: Saskatoon Office	306 – 933 – 8367
Saskatoon Health Region	306 – 655 - 4605
Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment: Communications Branch	306 - 787- 6595 – for Media Inquiries

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