RANDOLPH CENTER WATER SYSTEM - VT0005177 RANDOLPH FIRE DISTRICT #1 Consumer Confidence Report B 2016

This report is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided in 2015. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. To learn more, please attend our annual meeting.

The annual meeting of the Fire District is always the third Tuesday of May at the firehouse. This year that is May 17th. Everyone in the district is always welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Officers of Randolph Fire District #1 (also known as Randolph Center Water System, WSID # 5177) are:

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Water Source Information

Your water comes from:

Source Name	Source Water Type
LANGEVIN FARM	
WELL	Ground Water
SPRING	Ground Water

The State of Vermont Water Supply Rule requires Public Community Water Systems to develop a Source Protection Plan. This plan delineates a source protection area for our system and identifies potential and actual sources of contamination. Please contact us if you are interested in reviewing the plan.

Our System=s susceptibility to potential sources of contamination is medium to high. We remind all homeowners within the Wellhead Protection Area (WHPA) to have their septic systems cleaned on a regular basis, preferably every two years. (Those folks in the WHPA have been notified.) Please do not dispose of hazardous items such as solvents, oils, and pesticides into your septic systems.

Drinking Water Contaminants

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include surface water (streams, lakes) and ground water (wells, springs). As water travels over the land=s surface or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals. It also picks up substances resulting from the presence of animals and human activity. Some Acontaminants@ may be harmful. Others, such as iron and sulfur, are not harmful. Public water systems treat water to remove contaminants, if any are present.

In order to ensure that your water is safe to drink, we test it regularly according to regulations established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Vermont. These regulations limit the amount of various contaminants:

<u>Microbial contaminants</u>, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

<u>Pesticides and herbicides</u>, may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users. <u>Radioactive contaminants</u>, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity

<u>Organic contaminants</u>, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

Water Quality Data

The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the past year. It also includes the date and results of any contaminants that we detected within the past five years if tested less than once a year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily show that the water poses a health risk.

<u>Terms and abbreviations</u> - In this table you may find terms you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we have provided the following definitions:

<u>Maximum Contamination Level Goal (MCLG)</u>: The AGoal@ is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLG=s allow for a margin of safety.

<u>Maximum Contamination Level (MCL)</u>: The AMaximum Allowed@ MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL=s are set as close to the MCLG=s as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

<u>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)</u>: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of disinfectants in controlling microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in

drinking water. Addition of a disinfectant may help control microbial contaminants.

<u>Action Level (AL)</u>: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

<u>90th Percentile</u>: Ninety percent of the samples are below the action level. (Nine of ten sites sampled were at or below this level).

<u>Treatment Technique (TT):</u> A process aimed to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l): (one penny in ten thousand dollars)

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/l): (one penny in ten million dollars)

<u>Picocuries per liter(pCi/L)</u>: a measure of radioactivity in water

<u>Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)</u>: NTU is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA): The average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during four consecutive calendar quarters.

<u>Running Annual Average (RAA)</u> The average of 4 consecutive quarters (when on quarterly monitoring); values in table represent the highest RAA for the year.

Detected Contaminants RANDOLPH CENTER WATER SYSTEM

Disinfection Residual	RAA	Range	Unit	MRDL	MRDLG	Typical Source
Chlorine	0.182	0.1 -0.2	Mg/l	4.0	4.0	Water additive to control microbes

Microbiological	Result	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source		
No Detected Results were Found in the Calendar Year of 2015						

Chemical Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
NITRATE	02/24/2015	1.6	1.4- 1.6	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
NITRATE-NITRITE	02/11/2013	1.9	1.9- 1.9	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
ASBESTOS	02/01/2012	0.2	0.2-0.2	MFL	7	7	Decay of asbestos cement water mains; erosion of natural deposits.

Lead and Copper	Date	90 TH Percentile	95 [™] Percentile	Range	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER	2011 to 2013	0.1	0.26	0 - 0.42	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
LEAD	2011 to 2013	1	1	0 - 1	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant woman and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Randolph Center Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential of lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Radionuclides	Collection Date	Highest Value	Ran	ge	Unit	MCL	MCLG		Typical Source
Combined Radium	10/27/2014	0.64	0.383-0.64		pCi/L	5	0	Eros	sion of natural deposits
Gross Alpha	05/28/2014	2.72	0.991-2.72		pCi/L	15	0	Eros	sion of natural deposits
Radium-226	10/27/2014	0.44	0-0.44		pCi/L	5	0	Eros	sion of natural deposits
Radium-228	05/28/2014	0.383	0.2-0.383		pCi/L	5	0	Eros	sion of natural deposits
Disinfection By Product	s Monitori	ng Period	LRAA	Range	e Unit	t MC	L MC	LG	Typical Source

No Detected Results Were Found

Violation(s) that occurred during the year

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. The below table list any drinking water violations we incurred during 2014. A failure to perform required monitoring means we cannot be sure of the quality of our water during that time.

Туре	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
No Violations Occurred D	uring The Calendar \	Year 2015	

Health information regarding drinking water

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from EPA=s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Safe Drinking Water Hotline.

Public Notice - Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies: The system is required to inform the public of any significant deficiencies identified during a sanitary survey conducted by the Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division that have not yet been corrected. For more information please refer to the schedule for compliance in the system=s Operating Permit.

Date Identified	Deficiency	Facility
No Deficiencies in 2015		

