

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2011
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INTRODUCTION:

To comply with State regulations, Angelica Village Water Department, will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. Last year, your tap water met all State drinking water health standards. We are proud to report that our system did not violate a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standard. This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water come from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact Christopher Baker, Chief Water Operator at (585) 466-7431. We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings. The meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Angelica Grange, 55 Park Circle, Angelica.

WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department's and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water department serves approximately 900 people through 415 connections. Our water source was a spring until the spring of 2011, which is located in West Almond. The water is chlorinated prior to distribution. After the spring of 2011, our water source is groundwater well: groundwater drawn from one-60-foot deep drilled well which is located in West Almond. The water is chlorinated, bag filtration, ultra violet light and liquid chlorinated prior distribution.

ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include: total coliform, turbidity, inorganic compounds, nitrate, nitrite, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, haloacetic acids, radiologica and synthetic organic compounds. The table presented below depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. He State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, through representative, are more than one year old.

The village had been working on developing and implementing a project to correct the GWUDI determination, and the filtration plant was finished in October of 2011. However the New York State Department of Health had to issue the village a violation notice for not having the filtration plant on-line by the 18-month deadline indicated by the department.

The village also received a second violation ntoice for failure of to enforce its "Cross-Connection Control, Program" by ensuring that back flow prevention devices are installed to protect the integrity of the village's source water and water distribution system are being tested annually, as required.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the Allegany County Health Department at (585) 268-9250.

TABLE OF DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Date of Sample	Level Detected (AVG/MA) (Range)	Unit Measurement	MCLG	Regulatory Limit (MCL, TT or AL)	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate from Spring	N	8/16/2011	1.8	MG/L	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage;; erosion of natural deposits

TABLE OF DETECTED CONTAMINANTS (continued)							
Lead	N	7/21/2011	0.0084	MG/L	0	AL=0.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Copper	N	7/21/2011	0.23	MG/L	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household systems, erosion of natural deposits, leaching from wood preservatives
Bromodichloromethane Bromoform Chloroform Dibromochloromethane Total Trihalomethane Concentration	N	8/16/2011	16	UG/L	n/a	80	Byproducts from chlorine disinfectives
Dibromoacetic acid Dichloroacetic acid Monobromoacetic acid Monochloroacetic acid Trichloroacetic acid Total Haloacetic Acid Concentration	N	8/16/2011	3.9	UG/L	n/a	60	Byproducts from chlorine disinfectives
Barium	N	12/12/2011	66	MCG/L	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of Natural Deposits.
Combined Radium - 226 and 228	N	12/12/2008	0.0812	PC/L	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits

1. The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 sites tested. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of the copper values detected at your water system. In this case, 10 samples were collected at your water system and the 90th percentile value was the second highest value .23 g/l. The action level for copper was not exceeded at any of the sites tested.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

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

Milligrams per liter (mg/l): Corresponds to one part of liquid in one million parts of liquid (parts per million – ppm).

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L): A measure of the radioactivity in water.

WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We have learned through our testing that some contaminants have been detected; however, these contaminants were detected below New York State requirements.

IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?

During 2011, our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immune-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 from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

CLOSING

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community. Please call our office at 585-466-7431, if you have any questions.