

MDC WATER NOT THE SOURCE OF LEGIONELLA AT ROCKY HILL NURSING HOME

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HARTFORD -- The Metropolitan District (MDC) is advising customers that there are no water quality concerns with MDC's water supply and the MDC potable water is not the source of the Legionella presently under investigation by the Connecticut Department of Public Health at Apple Rehab in Rocky Hill. The water quality issue is site specific to the facility.

MDC staff obtained water samples at distribution compliance sampling sites within the general water service area of the facility. MDC potable water samples met all drinking water standards for parameters tested and confirmed the MDC is not the source of Legionella at the facility. This information was shared with the Connecticut Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Section, and any inquiries regarding this incident should be directed to the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

The MDC distributes an average of over 45 million gallons of water per day to a population of approximately 400,000. The MDC's state licensed Water Analysis Laboratory, located at the Reservoir 6 water treatment plant in Bloomfield, conducts more than 140,000 physical, chemical and bacteriological tests annually. These tests search for over 130 potential water contaminants at the MDC's reservoirs, treatment plants and the 47 state approved sampling sites throughout the service area. These tests and others conducted at various consulting laboratories ensure that the potable water supplied by the MDC meets all State of Connecticut Public Health Code and Federal Environmental Protection Agency standards for water quality.

The MDC prepares a Water Quality Report annually which provides a summary of the past year's water quality and includes information on how the MDC collects, treats and delivers high quality drinking water. Water Quality Reports can be found at the following link: <https://themdc.org/what-we-do/drinking-water/water-quality>.

***About MDC:** The MDC is a nonprofit municipal corporation chartered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1929. The MDC provides water, wastewater treatment and other services to its member towns: Bloomfield, East Hartford, Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, West Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor. In addition, the District supplies treated water to portions of Glastonbury, South Windsor, Farmington, East Granby and Portland.*

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