Total Coliform Bacteria Advisory!

Total coliform bacteria was detected in water samples collected from the water system serving the **Harkers Island Sanitary District** in **Carteret** County. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are generally not harmful themselves. However, coliforms are an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Therefore, as a precaution until additional testing can confirm the absence of coliform bacteria, customers are advised to boil all water used for human consumption (including drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes and food preparation) or use bottled water.

Vigorous boiling for one (1) minute should kill any disease-causing organisms that may be present in the water.

This advisory remains in effect until further written notification is issued.

The Sanitary District is taking corrective action such as flushing the main lines and chlorinating the system. The District will be retesting the system to ensure that it is free of total coliform bacteria. If you have any questions please call the office.

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