

The Jackson County Water  
Consumer Confidence Report  
For The Calendar Year 2022



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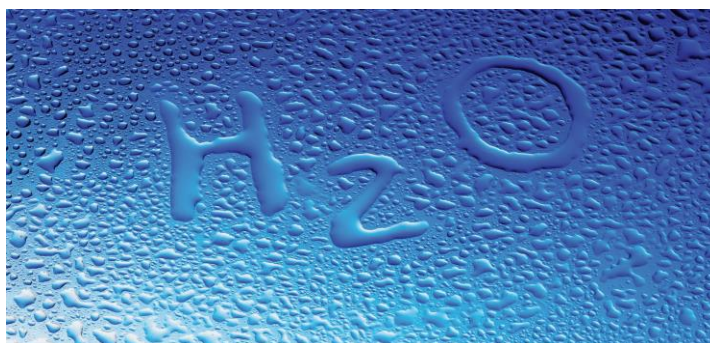
# Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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Jackson County Water Company, Inc. is pleased to present to you the required Annual Water Quality Report for the year 2022. We are proud of the job we do, and this report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

J.C.W.C. serves approximately 98% of our customers with water from our water treatment plant, (which has as its source ground water from the Teays River Aquifer). The remaining customers are served from water purchased from the following: the Scioto Water Inc. (which has as its source ground water from Scioto River Valley Aquifer); and the Village of Oak Hill (which has as its source ground water treated by the Jackson County Water Company and the Scioto Water Company. The information and corresponding tables for these water suppliers (Village of Oak Hill and Scioto Water Inc.) are from consumer confidence reports submitted to JCWC from these suppliers.

We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements. We want you to have confidence in the quality of water Jackson County Water delivers to your home.



Jackson County Water currently operates our system(s) under active unconditional Licenses-To-Operate from Ohio EPA. These Licenses-To-Operate were in effect throughout the calendar year of 2022. The systems that Jackson County Water operates are Ohio Environmental Protection Agency-designated Public Water Systems 4002012, 4001803 and 4001903.

Jackson Co Water routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This report is for the monitoring period of January 1 to December 31, **2022**.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, US EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. Jackson County Water meets all applicable standards for safe drinking water as the analysis tables show. If you are interested in more information, please contact the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.



The sources of drinking water for 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 activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- (A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife;
- (B) 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;
- (C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses;
- (D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off and septic systems;
- (E) Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In addition to the normal routine monitoring performed by Jackson County Water, we have also begun reporting under the following new rules:

- Revised Total Coliform Rule (OAC 3745-81-51 to 3745-81-55)
- Harmful Algal bloom (OAC 3745-90) (only applies to PWSs with surface water sources, which doesn't apply to ground water sources, such as Jackson County Water)
- Lead and Copper – House Bill 512

We at Jackson County Water want you to have confidence in the water that comes from your faucet, knowing that it meets or exceeds the requirements set by USEPA and Ohio EPA. Jackson County Water has been your water system that you can depend on for over 50 years.

### **Phase 8b**

Jackson County Water Company is working on design for a major waterline project in northern Jackson County and western Vinton County. The project will involve some undersized waterline replacement as well as upgrades to pumps, a new water storage tank and line extensions into an unserved area of Vinton County. While the design is underway, funding for the construction of this project is yet to be obtained. And at this time, it is uncertain as to when funding may be available. Funding for projects such as these are limited, have various restrictions and are very competitive, but Jackson County Water continues to pursue these funds to the fullest extent.

### **ARPA Project**

Using funds made available through the Jackson County Water ARPA Task Force, this spring, Jackson County Water began construction on a 3000' line extension to get water to a small group of residences on Sickles Road that were in need of public water service. Included in this project is a bulk water vending station to be located near the intersection of Savageville and Sharonville Roads. This will at least alleviate travel and vehicle wear and tear for residents in this area who must still haul water.

In addition, Jackson County Water continues to always hold the service to our existing customers as our highest priority. It is important that Jackson County Water customers understand that the availability and safety of their drinking water is paramount to our staff. Jackson County Water produces quality water that meets all OEPA requirements. The water produced by the Jackson County Water Treatment Plant is disinfected in order to prevent any pathogens from being transmitted within our water system. You can have confidence that Jackson County Water will remain safe and dependable. All public water systems in the state of Ohio are monitored and regulated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. Public water supplies comply with OEPA requirements in order to protect public drinking water.

**News**



Regarding any news or alerts that we intend to pass on to our customers, we advise you to log in to our website and subscribe to the alert notification. That way, any time we post an alert or important news, you will automatically get a text or email. This is just another service we offer to try and keep our customers informed.

It is also important we all stay well-informed. Please call Jackson County Water if you have any questions. Jackson County Water has some links for more information on the web site [jacksoncountywater.net](http://jacksoncountywater.net).



### **Governing Body**

The Jackson County Water Company is governed by a nine-member volunteer Board of Trustees. The current Board is comprised of the following individuals:

Dave Samples, President	Bill Ramsey
Ken Taylor, Vice-President	Bill Cooper
Brian McPherson, Secretary	John Lewis
Tom Wuebkenberg, Treasurer	Donalyn Smith
Mark Jenkins	

The Board of Trustees meets each month at our business office on the third Monday at 6 PM. Customers with questions or comments are welcome to contact our office during business hours. We encourage our customers to contact Jackson County Water for more information. You can reach us by mail at 124 West Huron Street Jackson, Ohio 45640, by phone at 740-286-5929 or on our website [jacksoncountywater.net](http://jacksoncountywater.net).



**In this report, as well as the following tables, you may find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:**

**Non-Detects (ND)** - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - One part per million would be comparable to a single penny in \$10,000.

**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter** - One part per billion would be comparable to a single penny in \$10,000,000.

**Less Than** = <

**More Than** = >

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**Variations & Exemptions (V&E)** - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions. *Not Given in Ohio*

**Action Level** - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** - (mandatory language) A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** – The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Contaminant Level** - (mandatory language) The “Maximum Allowed” (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal** - (mandatory language) The “Goal” (MCLG) is 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.

**Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L)**: a common measure of radioactivity.

MCL’s are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

### **Some common contaminants:**

**Total Coliform:** The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an

indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we have increased the average amount of chlorine in the distribution system.

**Lead:** If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from material and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Jackson County Water 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 for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about what's in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Fortunately, Jackson County Water takes special care to ensure that our water is not corrosive and does not "leach" minerals out of the pipes or fittings. By monitoring the corrosivity with an independent lab as well as the addition of a sequestering additive to protect your plumbing, we are confident that our customers can have confidence in the safety of our water. Information on lead in drinking water, test methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants 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 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 the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).



## **Source Water Information**

### **High Susceptibility PWS Based on High Sensitivity**

Ohio EPA Recently completed a study of JCWC - Bronx Corner WTP and Scioto Water, Inc. - Rosehill's source of drinking water to identify potential contaminant sources and provide guidance on protecting the drinking water source.

According to this study, the aquifer (water-rich zone) that supplies water to JCWC-WTP and Scioto Water, Inc. has a high susceptibility to contamination. This determination is based on the following:

- The presence of a relatively thin protective layer of silty loam overlying the aquifer;
- The shallow depth (less than 15 feet below ground surface) of the aquifer;
- The presence of the significant potential contaminant source in and just beyond the protection area.

This susceptibility means that under currently existing conditions, the likelihood for the aquifer becoming contaminated is relatively high. This likelihood can be minimized by implementing appropriate protective measures. More information about the source water assessment or what consumers can do to help protect the aquifer is available by calling Larry Foster, Keith Solomon or Jeff Chesser at 740-286-5929.

Because water is such a precious commodity and a very vulnerable resource, we ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. Be cautious with possible contaminants, use water wisely, and report any activity which could have an adverse impact to any water source, whether treated or untreated, and whether it be intentional or even unintentional. Please contact Jackson County Water or the OEPA hotline or call direct to the National Response Center, if you suspect any sign of possible contamination.



Furthermore, any tampering or vandalism to a public water facility or its fixtures is a federal offense under US Code Title 42, Section 300i-1.

### Help Protect Our Water Security!



For Emergencies, Call 1-740-286-6180  
Or Local Law Enforcement





## **Tables of Test Results**

Because Jackson County Water operates three separate PWS systems, we want to provide you with the water analysis results that are specific to your residence. To make it easy for you to view the table that applies to your service, we have used your account number. Every account (customer) with Jackson County Water is assigned a unique account number. The account number can be found on your bill. It is made up of three digits, a hyphen, then 5 digits, a hyphen, and then two digits.

To make it simple to identify what table results apply to you, please refer to the first 3 numbers of your 10-digit customer account number.

Each of the following tables will address the analyses of those systems identified by the first three numbers of the account number and are color-coded for your benefit.

If you have any questions as you look over these tables, please feel free to contact our office.



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Source water for this Public Water System comes from the Teays Valley aquifer. Water for this system is pumped from our wellfield to our water treatment plant where it is softened, stabilized, filtered and chlorinated before being sent out into the Jackson County Water distribution system, and right to your home.

**TEST RESULTS (Jackson County Water Company source = JCWC WTP- 4002012)**

account # 101-XXXXXX-XX      account # 117-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 102-XXXXXX-XX      account # 205-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 103-XXXXXX-XX      account # 206-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 104-XXXXXX-XX      account # 210-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 107-XXXXXX-XX      account # 351-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 111-XXXXXX-XX      account # 352-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 112-XXXXXX-XX      account # 353-XXXXXX-XX  
 account # 114-XXXXXX-XX

Source water for this Public Water System comes from the Teays Valley aquifer. Water for this system is pumped from our wellfield to our water treatment plant where it is softened, stabilized, filtered and chlorinated before being sent out into the Jackson County Water distribution system, and right to your home.

**TEST RESULTS ( JCWC WTP 2022)**

Contaminant	MRDLG	MRDL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>RESIDUAL DISINFECTANTS</b>							
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	1.28	1.03 – 1.50	NO	2022	Water additive used to control microbes.

**TEST RESULTS ( JCWC WTP 2021) continued**

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS</b>							

LEAD (ppb)	0	Action Limit= 15.	<5.0	0.-<5.0	NO	2020		Corrosion of household plumbing systems. Erosion of natural deposits.
COPPER (ppm)	1.3	Action Limit= 1.3	0.185	<.050 -.239	NO	2020		Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
Zero out of thirty samples were found to have lead levels in excess of the Action Level of 15 ppb.								
Zero out of thirty samples were found to have copper levels in excess of the Action Level of 1.3 ppm.								
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	0.951	0.785-1.08	NO	2022		Water additive which promotes strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits.
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.058	N/A	NO	2022		Discharge of drilling waste; metal refineries; and erosion of natural deposits.
NITRATE	10	10	<0.10	N/A	NO	2022		
<b>DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS ORGANIC CONTAMINANTS</b>								
Total THM's (ppb)	N/A	80	10.0	9.0-10.3	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination.
Total Haloacetic Acid (ppb)	N/A	60	ND	ND	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination
<b>RADIOLOGICALS</b>								
Gross Alpha	0	15	6.5 pCi/l	N/A	NO	2018		Erosion of natural deposits
<p><b>TEST RESULTS (JCWC source= SWI) – H – 4002012</b>  <b>account # 208-XXXXX-XX</b></p> <p>Source water for this Public Water System comes from the Teays Valley aquifer as well as a portion served from the Scioto Water Company which is taken from the same aquifer. Water for the majority of this system is pumped from our wellfield to our water treatment plant where it is softened, stabilized, filtered and chlorinated before being sent out into the Jackson County Water distribution system, and right to your home. A portion of the system is subsidized by water purchased from the Scioto Water Company which is a ground water system and also meets all requirements as set forth by OEPA just as does JCWC.</p>								
NITRATE (ppm)	10	10	1.24	N/A	NO	2022		Runoff from fertilizer use; erosion of natural deposits
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.030	N/A	NO	2022		Discharge from drilling waste; erosion of natural deposits.
Radium – 228 (pCi/l)	0	5	0.24	N/A	NO	2019		Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	0	15	4.0	N/A	NO	2019		erosion of natural deposits.



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<b>TEST RESULTS (JCWC source = Village of Oak Hill) - O – 4001803</b> <b>account # 215-XXXXX-XX</b>							
<b>Source water for this Public Water System comes from the Village of Oak Hill. The source of water for the Village is ground water purchased from the Scioto Water Company. Scioto Water obtains water from well fields in Scioto County. Water from the Scioto Water Company meets all requirements as set forth by OEPA just as does JCWC. Water from the Scioto Water Company meets all requirements as set forth by OEPA just as does JCWC.</b>							
Contaminant	MRDLG	MRDL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>RESIDUAL DISINFECTANTS</b>							
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	1.30	1.07-1.54	NO	2022	Water additive used to control microbes.

<b>TEST RESULTS (JCWC source = Village of Oak Hill) - O – 4001803 continued</b> <b>account # 215-XXXXX-XX</b>							
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination

LEAD (ppb)	0	Action Limit= 15.	1.75	0.7-2.0	NO	2022		Corrosion of household plumbing systems. Erosion of natural deposits.
COPPER (ppm)	1.3	Action Limit= 1.3	0.043	0.16-0.47	NO	2022		Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits: leaching from wood preservatives.
Zero out of five samples were found to have lead levels in excess of the Action Level of 15 ppb. Zero out of five samples were found to have copper levels in excess of the Action Limit of 1.3 ppm.								
NITRATE (ppm)	10	10	1.24	N/A	NO	2022		Runoff from fertilizer use; erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	1.16	0.64 – 1.25	NO	2022		Water additive which promotes strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits.
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.030	N/A	NO	2022		Discharge from drilling waste; Erosion of natural deposits.
<b>VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTAMINANTS</b>								
Total THM's (ppb)	NA	80	17.3	N/A	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination.
Total Haloacetic Acids	NA	60	3.9	N/A	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination
<b>RADIOLOGICAL</b>								
Radium-228 (pCi/l)	0	5	0.24	N/A	NO	2019		Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	0	15	4.00	N/A	NO	2019		Erosion of natural deposits.



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<b>TEST RESULTS (JCWC source = Scioto Water Inc.) – P – 4001903</b> <b>account # 216-XXXXX-XX</b> Source water for this Public Water System comes from the Scioto Water Company. Water purchased from the Scioto Water Company to supply this PWS. Scioto Water obtains water from well fields in Scioto County. Water from the Scioto Water Company meets all requirements as set forth by OEPA just as does JCWC.							
Contaminant	MRDLG	MRDL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>RESIDUAL DISINFECTANTS</b>							
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	1.31	0.99-1.63	NO	2022	Water additive used to control microbes.
<b>TEST RESULTS (JCWC source = Scioto Water Inc.) – P – 4001903 continued</b> <b>account # 216-XXXXX-XX</b>							
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	LEVEL FOUND	RANGE OF DETECTIONS	VIOLATIONS	YEAR SAMPLED	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS</b>							

LEAD (ppb)	0	Action Limit= 15.	1.7	1.2-2.0	NO	2022		Corrosion of household plumbing systems. Erosion of natural deposits.
COPPER (ppm)	1.3	Action Limit= 1.3	0.055	0.032-0.104	NO	2022		Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits: leaching from wood preservatives.
Zero out of five samples were found to have lead levels in excess of the Action Level of 15 ppb. Zero out of five samples were found to have copper levels in excess of the Action Limit of 1.3 ppm.								
NITRATE (ppm)	10	10	1.24	N/A	NO	2022		Runoff from fertilizer use; erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	1.16	0.64 - 1.25	NO	2022		Water additive which promotes strong teeth; erosion of natural deposits.
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.030	N/A	NO	2022		Discharge from drilling waste; Erosion of natural deposits.
<b>VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTAMINANTS</b>								
Total THM's (ppb)	NA	80	16.4	N/A	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination.
Total Haloacetic Acids	NA	60	3.6	N/A	NO	2022		By-products of drinking water chlorination
<b>RADIOLOGICAL</b>								
Radium Alpha (pCi/l)	0	5	0.24	N/A	NO	2019		Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross Alpha (pCi/l)	0	15	4.00	N/A	NO	2019		Erosion of natural deposits



## **Boil Advisories**

From time to time, water service may be interrupted, or water lines depressurized due to maintenance, unforeseen damage or emergency repairs. When this happens, Jackson County Water will place a boil advisory in effect for the affected area. Customers are notified by messages on the local radio and automated calling. For this reason, we ask that you contact our office to inform us of your correct contact information and update your contact information each time it changes so that your contact information is as up-to-date as possible. Customers will be advised to boil water that is to be used for consumption for two minutes at a full boil before using and then allow it to cool. This is a precautionary measure to safeguard our customers' public health and laboratory analysis will ensure that the water quality and safety is confirmed before lifting the advisory.

We realize that when this occurs, that it is an inconvenience to you. And so, we do our best to restore your service as soon as possible, but we apologize for the inconvenience.



### **Just a few reminders ...**

For our customers' convenience, customers can now pay on line, sign-up for paperless billing, or sign up for ACH (automatic deduction for payments). If you have any questions, check out our web page or contact our office.

As rural residents, sometimes we live a fair distance off the road. That means we may have a long service line from our meter to the house. Our meter readers try to catch high usage on your meter which may indicate you have a leak somewhere. We will leave you a note or contact you in some way if we do catch such a problem in your line. But because everyone is busy and leaks may not be evident at the time we are there, you should do what you can to keep an eye out for low pressure, leaky fittings, leaky toilets or wet spots in your yard. Our office has some toilet dye strips that you can use to check your toilet for a hard-to-find leak. These strips are available at no charge in our office.

Remember that unless you have cancelled it, our customers have leak insurance and that can be very beneficial in the event you have a water leak in your lines. We want you to buy all the safe drinking water you can use, but nobody wants you to spend money on water that goes to waste.

*We thank you for the opportunity to serve you. And we want you to know that we take that responsibility seriously.*