



# Florida Department of Environmental Protection

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Sent electronically to: [baldwinmayor@comcast.net](mailto:baldwinmayor@comcast.net)

Mr. Stan Totman  
City of Baldwin  
10 US 90 West  
Baldwin, FL 322234

**Re: Drinking Water Compliance Assistance Offer  
Baldwin Water System  
PWS ID No.: 2160053  
Duval County**

Dear Mr. Totman:

Department personnel have noted a monitoring deficiency for the Baldwin Water System, owned and operated by City of Baldwin. The purpose of this letter is to offer compliance assistance as a means of resolving the current matter and to maintain compliance in the future.

Specifically, Department records indicate the supplier of water did not submit analytical results for Inorganic Contaminants, Radionuclide Contaminants, Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs), Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOCs), and Secondary Standards which were required to be performed triennially under Rules 62-550.513, 62-550.515, 62-550.516, 62-550.519, and 62-550.517, Florida Administrative Code (Fla. Admin. Code). The samples were required to be taken during 2015.

We request you review the above noted item of concern and respond within 15 days of receipt of this offer. Your written response should:

1. Provide information that either mitigates the concern or demonstrates them to be invalid,
2. Complete sampling for Inorganic Contaminants, Radionuclide Contaminants, Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs), Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOCs), and Secondary Standards within 60 days of this letter. Samples must be taken from the entry point to distribution tap.
3. Describe what you have done to resolve the issue.
  - a. Pursuant to Rule 62-560.410, Fla. Admin. Code, you are required to notify the public, served by this system and submit documentation within 90 days from the date of this letter. The template for Public Notice and the DEP Certification of Delivery form are attached for your use.

- b. Provide documentation of the steps that have been taken to prevent future missed monitoring, as applicable.
4. If desired, arrange for one of our specialists to meet at our office or visit your facility to offer suggested actions to return to compliance.

It is the Department's desire that you will be able to document compliance or corrective actions concerning the missed monitoring identified above. Your failure to respond promptly in writing (or by e-mail) may result in the initiation of formal enforcement proceedings.

Please address your response and any questions to Shane Tierney of the Northeast District Office at (904) 256-1642, or via e-mail at [Shane.Tierney@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Shane.Tierney@dep.state.fl.us). We look forward to your cooperation in completing the investigation and resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

  
James R. Maher, PE  
Assistant Director

Enclosures: Public Notice Instructions  
Public Notice Template  
DEP Certification of Delivery Form

cc: Misty Sloan, [msloan@baldwinfl.com](mailto:msloan@baldwinfl.com)  
Phillip Hendrix, [phendrix05@yahoo.com](mailto:phendrix05@yahoo.com)

## PUBLIC NOTIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Since Inorganic Contaminants,, Radionuclide Contaminants , Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs) , Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOCs) , and Secondary Standards samples were not received for 2015, it is required that this water system issue public notice to the consumers of its water. Public notification must be issued within **90 days** of this notice.

Either method 1 or 2 must be used to issue public notice, in addition to method 3 for community water systems with a population greater than 3300:

1. US Mail. Submit a copy of the actual notice mailed to serve as proof of distribution.
2. Hand Delivery and Continuous Posting. Submit a copy of the actual notice posted to serve as proof of distribution. Posting must continue until the contaminants are sampled for, but in no case less than 7 days even if samples are taken.
3. Publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the affected area. A copy of the published notice will serve as proof of distribution.

Please note that the public notice must be reissued at least once every 3 months by mail delivery or by hand delivery until samples are taken.

The attached public notice is appropriate for hand delivery or mail. However, you may wish to modify it before using it. If you do, you must still include all the required elements and leave the health effects language in *italics* unchanged. This language is mandatory. Also, each notice shall be conspicuous and shall not contain unduly technical language, unduly small print, or similar problems, which would frustrate the purpose of the notice.

In your notice, please indicate the reason for not conducting sampling and the corrective actions you are taking to prevent future missed sampling. Listed below are some steps commonly taken by water systems. Use one or both of the following actions, if appropriate, or develop your own:

- We are sampling immediately for the above parameters.
- We will inform you when samples are satisfactorily completed.

Within 10 days after issuing/posting the public notice, you must submit a copy of the attached *PWS Certification of Delivery of Public Notice* form, along with a copy of the notice (as explained above) to this office:

Department of Environmental Protection  
Attn: Potable Water Section  
8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100  
Jacksonville, Florida 32256  
Electronic Submittals: [Shane.Tierney@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:Shane.Tierney@dep.state.fl.us)

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

## Baldwin Water System Chemical Monitoring Public Notice

### What happened?

Our water system did not meet the requirements of a drinking water rule. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

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 your drinking water meets health standards. During the 2015 monitoring period, we did not monitor or test for Inorganic Contaminants,, Radionuclide Contaminants , Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs) , Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOCs), and Secondary Standards, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water at that time.

### What should I do?

*Some people who drink water containing Inorganic Contaminants, Radionuclide Contaminants, Synthetic Organic Contaminants, and Volatile Organic Contaminants could become seriously ill. Health effects language for individual contaminants can be obtained by contacting us at the number below.*

*Any customers who are concerned about their exposure to these contaminants can choose alternative sources of water for ingestion.*

### What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

### What is being done?

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For more information, please contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ or contact the Department of Environmental Protection, Potable Water Section at 904-256-1700.

*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

This notice is being sent to you by our water system: Baldwin Water System

Potable Water System ID: 2160053

Date distributed: \_\_\_\_\_



## PWS CERTIFICATION OF DELIVERY OF PUBLIC NOTICE

INSTRUCTIONS: The supplier of water, within ten days of completion of each public notification requirement pursuant to Part IV of Chapter 62-560, Florida Administrative Code, shall submit to the appropriate Department of Environmental Protection District Office or Approved County Health Department a completed DEP Form 62-555.900(22), Certification of Delivery of Public Notice, and include with the form a representative copy of each type of notice distributed, published, posted, and made available to the persons served by the system, and the media. All information provided on this form shall be typed or printed in ink.

<b>I. General Information</b>		
Public Water System (PWS) Name: Baldwin Water System		
PWS ID: 2160053		
PWS Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Transient Non-Community <input type="checkbox"/> Transient Non-Community		
PWS Owner:		
Contact Person:	Contact Person's Title:	
Contact Person's Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Contact Person's Telephone Number:	Contact Person's Fax Number:	
Contact Person's E-Mail Address:		

<b>II. Certification</b>						
For Violation/Situation Inorganic Contaminants,, Radionuclide Contaminants , Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs) , Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOCs) , and Secondary Standards samples were not submitted for the 2015 monitoring period						
Date of Occurrence:						
Consultation Date:						
Delivery Methods:	<input type="checkbox"/> Radio/TV	<input type="checkbox"/> Mail	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper	<input type="checkbox"/> Hand Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Posting	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(describe)
Delivery Date/s:						

***I am duly authorized to sign this form on behalf of the public water system identified in Part I of this form. I certify that the information provided on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and that public notice has been provided to consumers in accordance with the delivery, content, and format requirements and deadlines in Chapter 62-560, Florida Administrative Code.***

Signature and Date	Printed or Typed Name	Title
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