

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION CENTER 264 MARVIN SHIELDS BLVD GULFPORT MS 39501-5001

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Dear Parent or Caregiver:

The Navy is committed to maintaining safe drinking water on its installations. Our drinking water distribution system is regularly tested for lead and is in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Lead and Copper Rule and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Lead exposure is a particular concern for children. Lead in drinking water typically comes from the plumbing inside buildings including lead service lines, fittings, solder, water fountains/coolers, or water faucets. The Navy policy requires we test the lead content of drinking water in priority areas such as youth centers (YCs), child development group homes (CDGHs), and child development centers (CDCs). Testing at the Buildings 335-335A Youth and Teen Center (YTC) was conducted on 21 December 2023.

I am pleased to report that all drinking water intended for consumption, to include drinking water and water intended for cooking or washing, is at or below the Navy lead screening level of 15 parts per billion (ppb).

Navy environmental personnel conducted this testing at Building 335-335A YTC following Navy policy. Samples from various locations in the YTC were sent to Advanced Environmental Laboratories for analysis.

We also tested other sinks used for washing. These fixtures were also below screening levels for lead in schools and day care centers. In all, 16 samples were taken and tested.

A copy of all test results is enclosed for your information. You can also see a hard copy of our water testing results at Building 335 YC, which is open Monday through Friday (0530-1800 hrs.) or Building 335A TC, which is open Monday through Friday (1530-2000 hrs.).

To learn more about lead in drinking water in schools and day care centers visit the following EPA website: https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water

To learn more about the installation's water quality, see our annual water quality report: https://cnrse.cnic.navy.mil/Operations-and-Management/Environmental-Support/Water-Quality-Information/

While lead in the drinking water at these facilities is below the Navy screening levels for schools and daycare centers, if you have any health related questions or concerns about lead exposure, you are encouraged to contact your health care provider or, if you are a TRICARE beneficiary, use the Region Appointment Center to schedule an appointment with your primary care provider at (228) 822-5792.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: (1) YTC Summary Results Table

Table 1. Summary of Results

| SAMPLING LOCATION DESCRIPTION | | | INITIAL SAMPLING RESULTS | | | RE-SAMPLING RESULTS | | | CORRECTIVE ACTIONS | POST | REMEDIATION SAMPLING RESULTS |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|----------------------------|--|--|---------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| | | | | Recommended Level = 15 ppb | | | | | | Recommended Level = 15 ppb | |
| CATEGORY Water Intended For: | SAMPLE ID | Outlet Description | First Draw (ppb) | Retest required? | Date Fixture Secured? (See Note 1) | Water Fountain 15 min. Follow up Flush Sample - Collected day before First Draw Sampling (ppb) | First Draw (ppb) | Follow up Flush - Collected 30 seconds after First Draw Sampling (ppb) | Description | First Draw (ppb) (See note 2) | Follow up Flush - Collected 30 seconds after First Draw Sampling (ppb) |
| SAMPLING DATE | AMPLING DATE | | 12/21/2023 mm/dd/yyy mm/dd/yyy mm/dd/yyy | | | | mm/dd/yyyy | | | | |
| RESULTS DATE | | | 1/9/2024 | | | mm/dd/yyyy | mm/dd/yyy | | | | mm/dd/yyyy |
| DRINKING | GPT-335-RM103-HALL-WFC-FD (Bldg 335- 7) | | 1.2 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| DRINKING | GPT-335-HOSE-FD (Bldg 335-10) | Outside Side door entrance | 9.9 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| DRINKING | GPT-335A-RM06-HALL-WFC-A-FD (Bldg 335-11) | Fountain by computer room | 1.2 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| DRINKING | GPT-335A-RM06-HALL-WFC-B-FD (Bldg 335-12) | Fountain by computer room | 1.2 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| COOKING | GPT-335-RM111-K-K-FD (Bldg 335-8) | Kitchen | 0.69 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM123-BATH-HHW-A-FD (Bldg 335-1) | Men's Bathroom | 0.6 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM123-BATH-HHW-B-FD (Bldg 335-2) | Men's Bathroom | 0.97 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM123-BATH-HHW-C-FD (Bldg 335-3) | Men's Bathroom | 0.64 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM119-BATH-HHW-A-FD (Bldg 335-4) | Women's Bathroom | 1.5 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM119-BATH-HHW-B-FD (Bldg 335-5) | Women's Bathroom | 1.8 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM119-BATH-HHW-C-FD (Bldg 335-6) | Women's Bathroom | 1.4 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335-RM111-K-HHW-FD (Bldg 335-9) | Kitchen | Non-Detect | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335A-UBATH-MSHHW-A-FD (Bldg 335-13) | · | 1.1 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335A-UBATH-MSHHW-B-FD (Bldg 335-14) | Unisex Bathroom to the right of 14 | 1.2 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335A-UBATH-MSHHW-C-FD (Bldg 335-15) | Unisex Bathroom to the right of 15 | 1.4 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
| WASHING | GPT-335A-UBATH-HHW-FD (Bldg 335-16) | Unisex /Disabled Bathroom to the right of 16 | 0.96 | No | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |
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Notes:

Affected outlets were immediately secured after receiving verbal communication from the lab on results exceeding the recommended level of 15 ppb.

Post-remediation sampling was initially conducted on N/A. Additional N/A were implemented and final results below recommended level of 15 ppb for sample collected on N/A are shown on the table.

Table 2. Summary Statistics

| CATEGORY | INITIAL | | POST REMEDIATION RESULTS | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | SAMPLING | | | | | | | | |
| | RESULTS | | | | | | | | |
| | | Recommended Level = 15 ppb | | | | | | | |
| | First Draw (ppb) | Water Fountain | First Draw (ppb) | Follow up Flush | First Draw (ppb) | | | | |
| Total Drinking | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Drinking > 15 ppb | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Cooking | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Cook/Brush > 15 ppb | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Washing | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Washing > 15 ppb | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Samples | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Total Samples > 15 ppb | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |