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## SAFE DRIKING WATER RECOMMENDATIONS

Under emergency conditions or other circumstances, the need to have water hauled may arise. The water that is brought to you should be from an approved source, for example, a municipal water supply, and should be stored in a clean and sanitary container.

Although precautions are taken to ensure the water brought to you is safe for drinking, it is possible during the filling procedure or handling of equipment that some contamination may occur. To ensure the water is safe for drinking, it is recommended that one of two methods listed below be used:

- 1. Boil the water vigorously for at least 5 minutes or;
- 2. Add 5 drops of household bleach to each gallon of water. Mix thoroughly and let stand for 30 minutes.

The containers you use to store water should also be clean and sanitary. This can be accomplished by washing in hot water, rinsing and then immersing the container in a solution of bleach and water (1 ½ teaspoons per gallon of water). Immerse the container in the bleach and water solution for one minute and then let air dry.

If you have questions with regard to your drinking water, please contact the Logan County Department of Public Health. We will be glad to answer your questions or provide assistance. Our office hours are 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. To contact us by phone, call 217-735-2317.