



**IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT YOUR  
WATER SYSTEM  
PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND QUILCENE**

***Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Exceeded:  
Non-Acute MCL***

The Port of Port Townsend Quilcene Water System, ID# 25931, in Jefferson County is routinely monitored for the presence of total coliform bacteria by Jefferson PUD#1. In October 2010 this type of bacteria was detected in the Port's water system. Although this incident did not present an emergency, as our customer, you have a right to know what happened and that we are working to correct the situation.

*Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems. The samples that showed the presence of coliform were further tested to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E.coli were present. **No fecal coliform or E. coli bacteria were found.***

**You do not need to boil your water.** People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at an increased risk and may want to contact their health care provider for additional guidance.

We will be replacing a hatch cover on the reservoir which may have trapped debris that was contaminated with bacteria. The system has since been chlorinated and flushed.

We are required to test for bacteria again in November. In the event future samples show the presence of harmful bacteria, we would provide immediate notice to you at that time.

**For more information:**

**Contact Doug Reeder at (360) 301-0708 or at 230 Chimacum Road, Port Hadlock**

*Please share this notice 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 sent to you by PUD#1 of Jefferson County*

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