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FARMINGTON TO BEGIN PERMANENT DISINFECTION OF WATER SYSTEM

Farmington, Missouri (January 20, 2016) –The City of Farmington will begin the addition of chlorine disinfectant to its water system on a permanent basis beginning January 25th. Residents may notice a slight odor of chlorine in their water during the early stages of the disinfection process. The chlorine will be added to the system at a target rate of 1.0 mg/L (safe and effective levels for potable water consumption are 0.5 to 2.0 mg/L).

Permanent disinfection of the water system is being performed to ensure the safety of the users of the water system. Recent bacteriological tests have indicated the presence of bacteria in the water system. These bacteria are not known to be harmful if consumed in drinking water; however its presence indicates a condition which may allow harmful bacteria to grow if it were present.

Further tests indicate that the water supplied from the City's deep aquifer wells is uncontaminated.

We know that this change to our water system may cause odor and taste issues, but we believe this step to be necessary to ensure the safety of our customers. Please call the Public Works Office at (573)756-0608 with any questions or concerns.