## South Pymatuning Township

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

2013 Calendar Year Data

PWSID #: 6430077

Prepared May 2014

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### MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

South Pymatuning routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to an Annual Monitoring Calendar provided by the PA Department of Environmental Protection. The tables on the following pages show the results of our monitoring, as well as the Annual Drinking Water Reports provided to us from Sharpsville Borough and Aqua PA, for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. The PADEP allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, are more than one year old.

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South Pymatuning Township had no violations in 2013.

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Sample Location	Contaminant ID	Analysis Result	MCL In Effect	Sample Date	Sample Type	Laboratory ID	Analysis Method	Analysis Date	Sample Received Date
701	HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	0.0309	0.06	01/09/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	LIQUID LIQUID EXT. & GC 552.2	01/21/2013	02/01/2013
701	TRIHALOMETHANES	0.0217	80.0	01/09/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	PURGE & TRAP -GC/MS VOCS 524.3	01/17/2013	02/01/2013
701	HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	0.0264	0.06	04/09/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	LIQUID LIQUID EXT. & GC 552.2	04/14/2013	05/02/2013
701	TRIHALOMETHANES	0.02	0.08	04/09/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	PURGE & TRAP -GC/MS VOCS 524.3	04/16/2013	05/02/2013
001	HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	0.0407	0.06	07/10/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	LIQUID LIQUID EXT. & GC 552.2	07/19/2013	08/05/2013
001	TRIHALOMETHANES	0.0736	80.0	07/10/2013	MAX RESIDENCE	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	PURGE & TRAP -GC/MŞ VOCS 524.3	07/17/2013	08/05/2013
004	COPPER	0.28	1.3	09/17/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
004	LEAD	0	0.015	09/17/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
001	COPPER	0.1	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
001	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
002	COPPER	0	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013

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002	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
003	COPPER	0.48	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
003	LEAD	0.0045	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
005	COPPER	0.34	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
005	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
006	COPPER	0.18	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
006	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEÇ.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
007	COPPER	0	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
007	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
008	COPPER	0.32	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013
008	LEAD	0.0022	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10/02/2013

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009	COPPER	0.38	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	0/02/2013
009	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	0/02/2013
010	COPPER	0.13	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	0/02/2013
010	LEAD	0.013	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
011	COPPER	<b>0</b> °	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP; MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
011	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
012	COPPER	0	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
012	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
013	COPPER	0	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
013	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013
014	COPPER	0	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013 10	)/02/2013

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014	LEAD	0	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
015	COPPER	0.74	1.3	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/26/2013	10/02/2013
015	LEAD	0.0057	0.015	09/18/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	ICP, MASS SPEC.	09/24/2013	10/02/2013
701	TRIHALOMETHANES	0.0578	80.0	10/10/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	PURGE & TRAP -GC/MS VOCS 524.3	10/15/2013	10/25/2013
702	HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	0.0449	0.06	10/10/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	LIQUID LIQUID EXT. & GC 552.2	10/18/2013	10/25/2013
703	HALOACETIC ACIDS (FIVE)	0.018	0.06	10/10/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	LIQUID LIQUID EXT. & GC 552.2	10/18/2013	10/25/2013
703	TRIHALOMETHANES	0.0585	80.0	10/10/2013	DISTRIBUTION	AQUA PENNSYLVANIA, INC	PURGE & TRAP -GC/MS VOCS 524.3	10/15/2013	10/25/2013

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Contaminant ID	Sample Period Start Date	Sample Period End Date	Last Sample Date	Number of Routine Samples Required	Number of Routine Samples Taken	No. Routine Samples Out of Compliance	Of Check Samples	Number Of Check Samples Taken	No. Check Samples Out Of Compliance	Average Result	Sample Received Date
CHLORINE	07/01/2013	07/31/2013	07/11/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2	08/06/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	07/01/2013	07/31/2013	07/11/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	08/06/2013
CHLORINE	12/01/2013	12/31/2013	12/04/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2.2	01/07/2014
CHLORINE	11/01/2013	11/30/2013	11/15/2013	1	1	0 .	•	0	0	2.6	12/04/2013
CHLORINE	10/01/2013	10/31/2013	10/10/2013	1	1	0		0	0	0.2	11/06/2013
CHLORINE	09/01/2013	09/30/2013	09/18/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2	10/02/2013
CHLORINE	08/01/2013	08/31/2013	08/13/2013	1	: 1	0		0	0	1.9	09/06/2013
CHLORINE	06/01/2013	06/30/2013	06/11/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	1.8	07/08/2013
CHLORINE	05/01/2013	05/31/2013	05/16/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	1.9	06/06/2013
CHLORINE	04/01/2013	04/30/2013	04/17/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2.2	05/02/2013
CHLORINE	03/01/2013	03/31/2013	03/13/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2	04/09/2013
CHLORINE	02/01/2013	02/28/2013	02/11/2013	1	1	0		0	0	2.3	03/05/2013
CHLORINE	01/01/2013	01/31/2013	01/09/2013	1	1	0	,	0	0	2.5	02/06/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	12/01/2013	12/31/2013	12/04/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0		01/07/2014
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	11/01/2013	11/30/2013	11/15/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	12/04/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	10/01/2013	10/31/2013	10/10/2013	1	. 1	0	•	0	0	•	11/06/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	09/01/2013	09/30/2013	09/18/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0		10/02/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	08/01/2013	08/31/2013	08/13/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	09/06/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	06/01/2013	06/30/2013	06/11/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	07/08/2013
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TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	04/01/2013	04/30/2013	04/17/2013	1	1	0,	• •	0	0	•	05/02/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	03/01/2013	03/31/2013	03/13/2013	1	1	0	• •	0	0		04/09/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	02/01/2013	02/28/2013	02/11/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	03/05/2013
TOTAL COLIFORM PRESENCE	01/01/2013	01/31/2013	01/09/2013	1	1	0	•	0	0	•	02/06/2013



## COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

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## SOURCE(S) OF WATER:

Our water source(s) is/are: (Name-Type-Location)

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A Source Water Assessment of our source(s) was completed by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP). The Assessment has found that our source(s) of is/are potentially most susceptible to [insert potential Sources of Contamination listed in your Source Water Assessment Summary]. Overall, our source(s) has/have [little, moderate, high] risk of significant contamination. A summary report of the Assessment is available on the Source Water Assessment & Protection web page at (<a href="http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm">http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm</a>). Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water supplier, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP Northwest Regional Office, Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (814) 332-6899.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

### MONITORING YOUR WATER:

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2013. The State allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data is from prior years in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The date has been noted on the sampling results table.

## **DEFINITIONS:**

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) - The minimum level of residual disinfectant required at the entry point to the distribution system.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Mrem/year = millirems per year (a measure
of radiation absorbed by the body)

*pCi/L* = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter ( $\mu$ g/L)

ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppq = parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

ppt = parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

## Information about Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. South Pymatuning Township is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

HEALTH EFFECTS:					
No violations took place.	As such, no health e	effects are noted.			
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OTHER VIOLATIONS:					
None					
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#### **EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
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In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and DEP prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA and DEP regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

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Our water source is the Shenango River. The Borough of Sharpsville purchases bulk water from Aqua Pennsylvania's Shenango Valley Division (Aqua). Water for the Shenango Valley Division comes from the Shenango River, which is fed by a 650-square mile watershed located north of Sharon, Pennsylvania.

A Source Water Assessment of our source(s) was completed by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP). The Assessment has found that our source is potentially most susceptible to transportation corridors, railroads and bridges, boating, utility substations, power plants, auto repair shops, stormwater runoff, package plants, and wastewater treatment plants. Overall, our source has little to moderate risk of significant contamination. A summary report of the Assessment is available on the Source Water Assessment & Protection web page at:

http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm.

Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water supplier, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP Northwest Regional Office, Records Management Unit at (814) 332-6899.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the *Safe Drinking Water Hotline* (800-426-4791).

## MONITORING YOUR WATER:

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The following tables show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2013. The State allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data is from prior years in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The date has been noted on the sampling results table.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) - The minimum level of residual disinfectant required at the entry point to the distribution system.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Mrem/year = millirems per year (a measure
of radiation absorbed by the body)

*pCi/L* = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppb = parts per billion, or micrograms per liter ( $\mu$ g/L)

ppm = parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppq = parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

ppt = parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

## DETECTED SAMPLE RESULTS:

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Contaminant	MCL in CCR Units	MCLG	Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Turbidity (Aqua)	TT ≤ 0	N/A	0.29	0.02-0.29	NTU	2013	N	Soil runoff
Turbidity, % meeting plant performance level (Aqua)	TT <u>&lt;</u> 0	N/A	100.0%	100%- 100%	%	2013	N	Soil runoff
Chlorine- Distribution System	MRDL=4	MRDLG=	1.2	1.21.9	ppm	2013	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Barium (Aqua)	2	2	0.017	N/A	ppb	2013	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (Aqua)	2	2	0.79	N/A	ppm	2013	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Chromium (Aqua)	100	100	2.4	N/A	ppb	2013	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
HAA5	60	N/A	26.5	3.80-55.8	ppb	2013	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	80	N/A	42.8	16.7-75.2	ppb	2013	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Atrazine (Aqua)	3	3	0.30	N/A	ppb	2013	N	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops

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Contaminant	Minimum Disinfectant Residual	Lowest Level Detected	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Units	Sample Date	Violation V/N	Sources of Contamination
Total Chlorine- Entry Point (Aqua)	MinRDL = 0.2	1.6	1.6-2.8	ppm	2013	N	Water additive used to control microbes.

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Contaminant	Removal	Percent Removal	Number of Quarters out of Compliance	Ünits	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
Total Organic Carbon Removal Ratio (Aqua)	35-45	33.9-54.2	0	ppm	2013	N	Naturally present in the environment

Contaminant	Action		90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Value		# of Sites Above AL of Total Sites	Violation VIN	Sources of Contamination
Lead	15	0	0	ppb	0	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Copper	1.3	1.3	0.137	ppm	0	N	Corrosion of household plumbing.

Microbial		The Land of the state of	ent and the second of the second of the second	1111	The state of the s
Contaminants	MCL	MCLG	Highest # or % of Positive Samples	Violation Y/N	
Total Coliform Bacteria	For systems that collect <40 samples/month:	0	0	N	Naturally present in the
	<ul> <li>More than 1 positive monthly sample</li> </ul>				environment.
	For systems that collect ≥ 40 samples/month:				
	<ul> <li>5% of monthly samples are positive</li> </ul>				

Raw Source Water	er Microbial				
Contaminants	MCLG	Total # of Positive Samples	Dates	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

HEALTH EFFECTS:		
No violations took place. As such, no health e	effects are noted.	
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OTHER VIOLATIONS:		
None.		
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## **EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater run-off, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations,
  urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and DEP prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA and DEP regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

## Information about Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Borough of Sharpsville is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead">http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</a>.

## OTHER INFORMATION:

Monitoring for Cryptosporidium (a naturally occurring microbial pathogen) was conducted under a national program in 2009 on raw (untreated) water samples from our source, the Shenango River. Cryptosporidium was detected in 3 of 24 raw water samples, with an average count of 0.027 oocysts per liter. These levels are in the lowest category of risk for raw (untreated) water. Aqua's water treatment processes are designed to remove Cryptosporidium, but complete removal of all organisms at all times cannot be guaranteed. For this reason, immune-compromised individuals (people with weakened immune systems) are encouraged to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to avoid infection.

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) require that once every five years, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issue a new list of no more than 30 unregulated contaminants to be monitored by public water systems (PWSs). The Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR) provides EPA and other interested parties with scientifically valid data on the occurrence of contaminants in drinking water. These data serve as a primary source of occurrence and exposure information that the agency uses to develop regulatory decisions. If a PWS monitoring for UCMR finds contaminants in its drinking water, it must provide the information to its customers in this annual water quality report. Below is a table of the results of Aqua PA's UCMR monitoring in 2013. All other contaminants tested during UCMR were Not Detected.

Unregulated Contaminants Detected During 2013								
Unregulated Contaminant	Average Detection	Range of Detections	MCL					
Hexavalent chromium, ppb	0.07	ND - 0.12	N/A					
Strontium, ppb	71	63-79	N/A					
Vanadium, ppb	0.11	ND - 0.22	N/A					



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March 26, 2014

South Pymatuning Township Attn: Ms. Karen Pressley 3493 Tamarack Drive Sharpsville, PA 16150

RE: Water Quality Annual Data

Dear Ms. Pressley:

The Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996 require that each community water system issue a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to each customer annually beginning in 1999. The CCR for 2011 is due by July 1, 2014.

The PA DEP is the primary agency responsible for administering this regulatory requirement and, as such, each has very specific requirements that must be followed in the preparation of the CCR. As a water system that sells water to another community water system, we must deliver to you a listing of the appropriate water quality analytical data resulting from testing of water in our water system during 2013. That data is enclosed for your use.

If you have any specific questions relating to the interpretation of the water quality data shown on the enclosed report, please let me know. However, you should consult your state regulatory agency for specific guidance relating to the format and content of the CCR they require of you.

Very truly yours?

William D. Young Laboratory Director

Contaminants	Level Found	Range of Detections	MCL	MCLG	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Chlorine, ppm	2.8	1.6-2.8	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	2013	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Turbidity, % meeting plant performance level	100.0%	100.0-100.0%	TT	NA	2013	N	Soil runoff
Turbidity, NTU	0.29	0.02-0.29	TT	NA	2013	N	Soil runoff
Total Organic Carb	on (TOC)						
Contaminant	Range of Removal Required	Range of Percent Removal Achieved	l	of Quarters ompliance	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Sources of Contamination
TOC	35-45	33.9-54.2	ı	0	2013	N	Naturally present in the environment
Inorganic Compou	nds						
Barium, ppm	0.017	NA	2	2	2013	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride, ppm	0.79	NA	2	2	2013	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Chromium, ppb	2.4	NA	100	100	2013	N	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
	uarterly avera	ages. Complia	nce is bas	ed on a ru	nning anni	ual average	nd is the highest annual of quarterly results, not a single samples.
Haloacetic acids, ppb	40.4	ND-71.4	60	NA	2013	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes, ppb	42.3	13.0-76.2	80	NA	2013	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
							ribution System Evaluation ing sites for future compliance
Haloacetic acids, ppb IDSE	NA	ND-90.8	NA	NA	2009	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes, ppb IDSE	NA	16.5-97.3	NA	NA	2009	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Chlorite, ppm (distribution system)	0.50	0.16-0.62	1	0.8	2012	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Chlorite, ppm (entry point)	0.50	ND-0.79	1	0.8	2012	N	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine Dioxide, ppm	0.26	ND-0.26	MRDL = 0.8	MRDLG = 0.8	2012	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Synthetic Organic	Compounds						
Atrazine, ppb	0.30	NA	3	3	2313	N	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops

Entry Point Disinfe	ctant Residual								
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Contaminants	Level Found	Minimum Disinfectant Residual	Range of Detection	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Major Sources in Drinking Water			
Total Chlorine, ppm	1.2	0.2	1.2-4.3	2013	N	Water additive used to control microbes			

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Lead and Copper	90th Percentile	Total Number of Samples	Samples Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	MCLG	Sample Date	Violation Y/N	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Copper, ppm	0.30	37	0	AL=1.3	1.3	2013	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
Lead, ppb	1.1	37	0	AL=15	0	2013	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

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