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City of South Milwaukee Water Declared Safe *Residents and Food Establishments Can Resume Normal Operations*

South Milwaukee, WI – Residents of South Milwaukee are now able to consume the city tap water, the city announced on Saturday.

They may now drink the water, use the water to cook food, make infant formula, and bathe infants as they normally would. All South Milwaukee food establishments and businesses may resume operations as usual.

Per the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, tests have come back negative for any bacteria, following the repair Friday night of the City's primary water main, which had broken earlier in the day.

Approximately 1,800 families received water from two distribution sites Friday evening. The process was efficient, and the city wishes to thank all residents for their patience and understanding, as well as those companies, organizations and communities that donated water during the city-wide emergency.

"We are extremely proud of the entire emergency management operation," said Jackie Ove, Public Health Administrator. "That's a credit to our people. We are so blessed to live in a community – and a region – that pulls together like this in times of need."

Residents who drank city tap water on Friday should continue to monitor their symptoms. If they experience any diarrhea, cramps, nausea or headaches, they should call their healthcare provider.

Residents are also asked to continue to alert neighbors who may not be aware of this advisory and tell them that South Milwaukee tap water is now safe for normal use.

Please feel free to contact the South Milwaukee Health Department at 414-768-8055 or visit the city website at <http://www.ci.south-milwaukee.wi.us/> if you have any further questions.

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