



News Release

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Howard back on Lake Water

For Immediate Release:

As planned the Howard Water Utility used its emergency backup groundwater wells for water supply while a repair was made in the Central Brown County Water Authority (CBCWA) transmission line. The transmission main carries lake water from the Manitowoc Public Utilities (MPU) water treatment plant to the Village of Howard. The repair was completed a day ahead of schedule and Howard resumed the use of lake water yesterday.

Howard water customers did not experience any water service interruptions or operational issues. The wells produce high-quality drinking water but does contain radium at levels slightly above the EPA standard. Radium is a contaminant that has long-term use health effects, however because the use was short term, the Utility does not believe that drinking the water during this time period was harmful to users health. The groundwater wells are regularly maintained, the water is tested according to regulations and are an approved emergency backup water source for these types of circumstances. The Utility did not receive any customer complaints about water quality while using its groundwater wells.

The Howard Water Utility wishes to thank its customers for their patience and understanding during the transmission line repair project.

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