Water Quality Report 2002





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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

Microbiological quality

Water leaving treatment works

Supply point & average daily volume distributed from	No. of samples	% samples exceeding prescribed concentration or value				
Works (Ml/d)		Total coliforms	Faecal coliforms			
Handois (10.3 Ml/d)	1043	0	0			
Augres (9.4 Ml/d)	365	0	0			
Total (19.7 Ml/d)	1408	0	0			

Water in service reservoirs

Capacity of Reservoirs (MI)	No. of samples	% samples exceeding prescribed concentration or value					
		Total coliforms	Faecal coliforms				
Westmount 9 MI	362	0	0				

Water in distribution

Zone	No. of samples	% samples exceeding prescribed concentration or value (number of samples exceeding concentration of value)				
		Total coliforms	Faecal coliforms			
Zone 1: East						
Random consumer taps	68	0	0			
Fixed points	430	0	0			
Total	498	0	0			
Zone 2: West						
Random consumer taps	57	1.75 (1)	0			
Fixed points	279	0.36 (1)	0			
Total	336	0.60 (2)	0			

Samples exceeding prescribed concentrations were immediately resampled for three consecutive days - recheck samples were clear.

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Physical and chemical quality

Water in distribution

Parameter	Conce	entration or	No. of samples taken	No. of samples exceeding			
	concentration or value (PCV)	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	taken	PCV	
pH Value	6.5 - 9.5	7.3	7.4	8.0	227 <i>f</i>	0	
Conductivity	1500 μSm/cm at 20°C	462	564	650	140	0	
Turbidity	4 N.T.U.	0.11	0.30	2.08	141	0	
Nitrate	50 mg NO₃/l	27	40	48	52	0	
Nitrite ¹	0.1 mg NO₂/l	0.002	0.034	0.227	140	9 (6%)	
Ammonia	0.5 mg NH₄/l	<0.01	0.08	0.37	141	0	
Iron ²	200 μg Fe/l	<10	38	440	76	1 (1%)	
Aluminium	200 μg Al/l	<20	<20	76	189	0	
Manganese ³	50 μg Mn/l	<20	<20	51	143	1 (<1%)	
Colour	20 Hazen Units	<0.69	4.3	5	141 <i>f</i>	0	
Copper	3000 μg Cu/l	<4	71	963	76	0	
Lead	50 μg Pb/l	<1	5	47	76	0	
Zinc	5000 μg Zn/l	<6	49	434	76	0	
Chloride	400 mg Cl/l	47	63	82	141	0	
Dissolved Solids	1500 mg/l	226	393	469	140	0	
Oxidizability	5 mg O₂/l	<0.1	0.40	1.08	136	0	
Total Hardness	mg CaCO₃/l no value	116	143	189	140	-	
Alkalinity	mg CaCO₃/l no value	42	59	81	140	-	
Residual Chlorine	mg Cl₂/l no value	<0.02	0.21	0.52	200 <i>f</i>	-	

mg/l milligrams per litre μg/l micrograms per litre indicates the concentration is below the detection level of the test =

in addition to the "compliance" chemical samples several hundred examinations were made for bacteriological and operational sampling purposes, all results

were below the P.C.V.

1 Nitrite provisional guideline of 3 mg NO₂/l set by World Health Organisation Quality

Guidelines 1995.

2 Iron provisional maximum tolerable daily intake (PMTDI) give a value of 2000 µg Fe/l

given by the World Health Organisation Guideline 1993 - no health-based value

for iron in drinking water is proposed.

3 Manganese: provisional health-based guideline of 500 µg Mn/l set by World Health

Organisation Quality Guidelines 1999.

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Chemical quality

Pesticides detected results in µg/litre - Water in distribution

Parameter	Prescribed maximum concentration or value (PCV)	E&W/ WHO advisory limits	Concentration value		No. of samples	No. of samples exceeding EU PCV	No. of samples exceeding E&W/WHO advisory	
			Min	Mean	Max			limit
Atrazine µg/l	0.1	E&W 2 WHO 2	<0.01	<0.01	0.022	7	0	0
Simazine µg/l	0.1	E&W 10 WHO 2	<0.01	<0.01	0.014	7	0	0
Propazine µg/l	0.1	E&W 20	<0.01	<0.01	0.011	7	0	0
Trietazine µg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	<0.01	0.012	7	0	0
Terbutryn µg/l	0.1	*E&W 700	<0.01	<0.01	0.013	7	0	0
Terbuthylazine µg/l	0.1	*E&W 10	<0.01	<0.01	0.016	7	0	0
Cyanazine µg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	0.033	0.165	52	2	2
2,4-D μg/l	0.1	E&W 1000 WHO 30	<0.01	<0.01	0.011	51	0	0
Mecoprop μg/l	0.1	E&W 10	<0.01	<0.01	0.016	52	0	0
Triclopyr µg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	<0.01	0.024	52	0	0
Linuron µg/l	0.1	E&W 10	<0.01	<0.01	0.045	52	0	0
Diuron μg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	<0.01	0.063	52	0	0
Methabenzthiazuron μg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	<0.01	0.020	52	0	0
Dalapon µg/l	0.1	0.1	<0.01	0.013	0.067	9	0	0

μg/l	=	micrograms per litre
<	=	indicates the concentration is below the detection level of the test.
E&W	=	England and Wales advisory limits quoted in 'Water Quality Regulations 1989'.
*E&W	=	'likely advisory value', has been calculated by the Company consultants using a formula given in the 'Water Regulations 1989'. The calculations confirm the low toxicity of these particular pesticides.
WHO	=	advisory limits quoted in 'World Health Organisation Quality Guidelines 1993'.

NB - In addition to the above parameters, examinations were carried out for a further sixty-six types of pesticides, the results of which were below the detection level of the tests.



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