

## Sterling Groundwater Contamination FAQs

1. What area is included in the notice?

Private well owners living on McCue Rd. approximately one half mile north of LeFevre south to the Emerson Rd. intersection, Grimes Addition, Galt residents east of Galt Rd., Residents on W. Lincolnway between Emerson and Galt Rd.s.

2. Where is the affected well located?

Approximately ½ mile straight east of the intersection of W. LeFevre and McCue Road; west of Eberley Park.

3. What are these contaminants and where did they come from?

Tetrachloroethylene, trichloroethylene, carbon tetrachloride, 1,1-dichloroethylene and cis-1,2-dichloroethylene are volatile organic compounds found in industrial degreasers and are also used in dry cleaning and carpet cleaning. The IEPA has not determined where the contaminants originated.

4. Will exposure to well water contaminated with these compounds affect my health?

The risk of adverse health effects depends on the level of contamination in the water and the length of time for exposure. Long term exposure to these compounds may increase the risk of liver and kidney damage. Some of the compounds may affect the nervous system. Some of these compounds have also been identified as possible carcinogens. Keep in mind that none of the contaminants detected have exceeded the maximum contaminate levels (MCL) from the Illinois Groundwater Standards.

5. Can exposure to these compounds affect children?

The health effects from these compounds have not been studied in children, but they are likely to be similar to those seen in adults exposed to these compounds. It is not known whether children differ from adults in their susceptibility.

6. Is a well owner located within the notice area required to test their water?

People within the identified area are encouraged but not required to test their water.

7. Should I stop drinking my water?

At this time residents are only encouraged to test their water. If, however, you water is found to have any of the identified contaminants in excess of the maximum contaminant level an alternative water supply for consumption of water treatment will be recommended.

8. What treatment methods are available for removing VOCs?

Carbon filtration is the most common and economical method used for removing VOC contamination from water.

#### 9. How do I get my water tested and what do I test for?

Listed below are accredited laboratories qualified to test . The test is called a VOC analysis. You can also request a test just for the identified compounds.

#### Laboratories Accredited for Analyses of Recommended VOCs

**Accutest Laboratories of New England, Inc.**

495 Technology Center West, Bldg One  
Marlborough, MA 01752  
(508) 481-6200

**American Water Central Laboratory**

1115 South Illinois  
Belleville, IL 62220-6349  
(618) 239-0516

**Environmental Science Corp.**

12065 Lebanon Rd.  
Mt. Juliet, TN 37122  
(615) 773-9657

**McCoy & McCoy Laboratories, Inc.**

825 Industrial Road PO Box 907  
Madisonville, KY 42431  
(270) 821-7375

**PDC Laboratories, Inc.**

2231 W. Altorfer Drive  
Peoria, IL 61615  
(309) 692-9688

**Suburban Laboratories, Inc.**

4140 Litt Drive  
Hillside, IL 60162-1183  
(708) 544-3260

**TestAmerica Buffalo**

10 Hazelwood Drive  
Amherst, NY 14228  
(716) 504-9832

**TestAmerica Savannah**

5102 LaRoche Avenue  
Savannah, GA 31404  
(912) 354-7858

**Accutest Laboratories of New Jersey, Inc.**

2235 U.S. Route 130  
Dayton, NJ 08810  
(732) 329-0200

**Environmental Monitoring and Technologies, Inc.**

8100 North Austin Ave.  
Morton Grove, IL 60053-3203  
(847) 324-3341

**GEL Laboratories, LLC**

2040 Savage Road  
Charleston, SC 29407  
(843) 556-8171

**MWH Laboratories, A Div. of MWH Americas, Inc.**

750 Royal Oaks Drive, Suite 100  
Monrovia, CA 91016-3629  
(626) 386-1163

**RTI Laboratories, Inc.**

31628 Glendale Avenue  
Livonia, MI 48150  
(734) 422-8000

**Summit Environmental Technologies**

3310 Win Street  
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223  
(330) 253-8211

**TestAmerica Nashville**

2960 Foster Creighton Drive  
Nashville, TN 37204  
(615) 726-0177

**Underwriters Laboratories, Inc**

110 South Hill Street  
South Bend, IN 46617  
(574) 233-4777

#### Laboratories Accredited for Chemical Analyses

##### Central Illinois

**PDC Laboratories, Inc.**

2231 W. Altorfer Drive  
Peoria, IL 61615  
Contact: Mike Travis  
Telephone: (309) 692-9688

**TEST, Inc.**

330 Fifth Street, Box 483  
Peru, IL 61354  
Contact: Jennifer Kolczaski  
Telephone: (815) 224-1650

**Prairie Analytical Systems, Incorporated**

1265 Capital Airport Drive  
Springfield, IL 62707-8413  
Contact: Kristen Potter  
Telephone: (217) 753-1148

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**Northeast Illinois**

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**ARRO Laboratory, Inc.**

P.O. Box 686  
Joliet, IL 60434-0686  
Contact: Joan Serdar  
Telephone: (815) 727-5436

**Culligan Analytical Laboratory**

One Culligan Parkway  
Northbrook, IL 60062  
Contact: Rick Cook  
Telephone: (847) 205-5925

**First Environmental Laboratories, Inc.**

1600 Shore Road, Suite D  
Naperville, IL 60563  
Contact: Lorrie Franklin  
Telephone: (630) 778-1200

**Great Lakes Analytical, Inc - IL**

1380 Busch Parkway  
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089  
Contact: James Knapp  
Telephone: (847) 808-7766

**Scientific Control Laboratory, Inc.**

3158 South Kolin Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60623-4831  
Contact: Linda Kenny  
Telephone: (773) 254-2406

**City of Chicago Dept. Water**

Water Purification Laboratories  
1000 E. Ohio St.  
Chicago, IL 60611  
Telephone: (312) 744-3724

**Environmental Monitoring and Technologies, Inc.**

8100 North Austin Ave.  
Morton Grove, IL 60053-3203  
Contact: Kris Erickson  
Telephone: (847) 967-6666

**Gabriel Laboratories, Ltd.**

1421 North Elston Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60622  
Contact: John Polich  
Telephone: (773) 486-2123

**NATLSCO**

95 Oakwood Road  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047  
Contact: Dave Cyr  
Telephone: (847) 320-4070

**TEM, Incorporated**

443 Duane St.  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137-4528  
Contact: Karen Buehler  
Telephone: (630) 790-0880

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**Northwest Illinois**

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**Suburban Laboratories, Inc.**

4140 Litt Drive  
Hillside, IL 60162-1183  
Contact: Jarrett Thomas  
Telephone: (708) 544-3260

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**Southwest Illinois**

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**Illinois-American Water, Corporate Laboratory**

800 N. Front St.  
East St. Louis, IL 62201  
Contact: Cody Cruse  
Telephone: (618) 874-2467

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**Out-of-state**

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**AccuTest Laboratories of New England**

495 Technology Center West, Bldg One  
Marlborough, MA 01752  
Contact: Mark Warren  
Telephone: (508) 481-6200

**Analytics Corporation**

8040 Villa Park Drive, Suite 250  
Richmond, VA 23228  
Contact: Andy Teague  
Telephone: (804) 264-7100

**EMSL Analytical, Inc**

14375 23rd Ave. North  
Minneapolis, MN 55447  
Contact: Patty Kirkland  
Telephone: (607) 776-5108

**Analytical Services, Inc - GA**

110 Technology Parkway  
Norcross, GA 30092  
Contact: Stacey Worrell  
Telephone: (770) 734-4200

**ASC Analytical Services Center**

4493 Walden Ave.  
Lancaster, NY 14086  
Contact: Raymond Piccione  
Telephone: (716) 685-8080

**Environmental Science Corp.**

12065 Lebanon Rd.  
Mt. Juliet, TN 37122  
Contact: Judith Morgan  
Telephone: (615) 758-5858

**General Engineering Laboratories**

2040 Savage Road  
Charleston, SC 29407  
Contact: Nancy Mattern  
Telephone: (843) 556-8171

**Huron Valley Laboratories, Inc.**

9324 Harrison St.  
Romulus, MI 48174  
Contact: Mark Bailey  
Telephone: (734) 946-4990

**MWH Laboratories, A Div. of MWH Americas, Inc.**

750 Royal Oaks Drive, Suite 100  
Monrovia, CA 91016-3629  
Contact: Nilda Cox  
Telephone: (626) 386-1170

**Pace Analytical Services - MN**

1700 Elm Street, Suite 200  
Minneapolis, MN 55414  
Contact: Candace Gaylord  
Telephone: (612) 607-1700

**Southern Petroleum Laboratory, Inc - TX**

8880 Interchange Drive  
Houston, TX 77225  
Contact: Myrthala Guerrero  
Telephone: (713) 660-0901

**STL Savannah**

5102 LaRoche Avenue  
Savannah, GA 31404  
Contact: Andrea Teal  
Telephone: (912) 354-7858

**TestAmerica Analytical Testing Corp, Nashville TN**

2960 Foster Creighton Drive P.O. Box 40566  
Nashville, TN 37204-0566  
Contact: Mary Louise Linn  
Telephone: (615) 726-0177

**US Biosystems, Inc.**

3231 N.W. 7th Avenue  
Boca Raton, FL 33431  
Contact: Catherine Katsikis  
Telephone: (561) 447-7373

**Heritage Environmental Services, LLC**

7901 W. Morris St., Bldg. 102  
Indianapolis, IN 46231  
Contact: Gregory Busch  
Telephone: (317) 390-3182

**McCoy & McCoy Laboratories, Inc.**

85 East Noel Avenue, PO Box 907  
Madisonville, KY 42431  
Contact: Doug Wolfe  
Telephone: (270) 821-7375

**Pace Analytical Services - IN**

7726 Moller Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46268-4163  
Contact: Tim Harrison  
Telephone: (317) 875-5894

**SGS Environmental Services - Michigan Division**

1200 Conrad Industrial Drive  
Ludington, MI 49431  
Contact: Pete Priniski  
Telephone: (231) 843-1877

**STL Buffalo**

10 Hazelwood Drive  
Amherst, NY 14228  
Contact: Peter Lorey  
Telephone: (716) 691-2600

**TestAmerica Analytical Testing Corp, Dayton OH**

3601 South Dixie Drive  
Dayton, OH 45439  
Contact: Inez Preyor  
Telephone: (937) 294-6856

**Triangle Laboratories, Inc.**

2445 S. Alston Ave.  
Durham, NC 27713-1301  
Contact: Norman Hoffa  
Telephone: (919) 544-5729

**Underwriters Laboratories Inc.**

Drinking Water Laboratory  
DrinkWell™ Well Water Testing  
110 South Hill Street  
South Bend, IN 46617  
Phone: (888) 503-5544  
[Web site](#)

**Laboratories Accredited for Microbiological Analyses in Potable Water****Central Illinois****Crawford, Murphy & Tilly**

2750 West Washington Street  
Springfield, IL 62702  
Contact: Curt Fox  
(217) 787-8050

**Key Laboratory Services**

2277 Hubbard Street  
Decatur, IL 62526  
Contact: Melissa Greve  
(217) 875-2691

**Test, Inc.****Daily Laboratories**

5120 Big Hollow Road  
Peoria, IL 61615  
Contact: Judith Herrmann  
(309) 691-4513

**PDC Laboratories, Inc.**

2231 W. Altorfer  
P.O. Box 9071  
Peoria, IL 61615  
Contact: Stephen Julien  
(309) 692-9688

330 Fifth Street  
P.O. Box 483  
Peru, IL 61354  
Contact: Jennifer Kolczaski  
(815) 224-1650

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**Analytical Laboratories, Inc.**  
5059 Shoreline Road  
Barrington, IL 60010  
Contact: Robin Haas  
(847) 304-8700

**ARRO Laboratories, Inc.**  
Caton Farm Road  
P.O. Box 686  
Joliet, IL 60434  
Contact: Joan Serdar

**Enviro-Test/Perry Laboratories, Inc.**  
7780 S. Quincy St.  
Willowbrook, IL 60521  
Contact: George Lenos  
(630) 734-9530

**McHenry Analytical Water Lab., Inc.**  
4314-A Crystal Lake Road  
McHenry, IL 60050  
Contact: Michael Tryon  
(815) 344-4044

**Somonauk Water Laboratory**  
300 East Market  
P.O. Box 624  
Somonauk, IL 60552  
Contact: Virginia Adrian  
(815) 498-9491

**Northwest Illinois**

**Lyons Labs**  
9795 U.S. Rt. 20 E.  
Stockton, IL 61085  
Contact: Doug Lieb  
(815) 947-3360

**Suburban Laboratories, Inc.**  
4140 Litt Drive  
Hillside, IL 60162  
Contact: Eleanore Meade  
(708) 544-3260

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**Midwest Environmental Laboratory**  
1006 East Shipman Road  
Jerseyville, IL 62052  
Contact: Tracey Kelsey  
(618) 498-9395

**Tek-Lab, Inc.**  
5445 Horseshoe Lake Rd.  
Collinsville, IL 62234  
Contact: Tony Lynn  
(618) 344-1004

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How do I get my water tested?

Is the testing free?

The state does not have any funding to pay for at this kind of analysis.