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Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department temporarily changes its water chlorination method for two weeks, starting Nov. 5

MIAMI (October 31, 2018) — The Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department conducts its spring cleaning in November. For two weeks from Nov. 5 to 18, the department will temporarily change the method used to chlorinate the drinking water supply at its treatment plants.

Specifically, free chlorine - instead of the standard combined chlorine (chloramine) - will be used during the treatment process. Free chlorine is considered an effective method of cleansing water distribution systems. This routine procedure is regularly scheduled each year in a partnership with the Florida Department of Health of Miami-Dade County and the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER).

County residents may experience some chlorine smell and/or taste in their water during this short-term period. This is normal, since free chlorine has a slightly different taste and smell than combined chlorine. The temporary change does not cause adverse health effects and is a necessary part of WASD's ongoing efforts to provide safe drinking water to Miami-Dade County residents.

It is the priority of the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department to provide safe, reliable service to its customers.

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