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Dear OMWD Customer,

Please be advised that OMWD has paused fluoridation at its David C. McCollom Water Treatment Plant. OMWD continues to meet or exceed all health-related state and federal water quality standards for your drinking water.

OMWD is required to notify customers and health care professionals if fluoridation is paused for more than 90 days.

This pause is necessary to allow OMWD to pursue safety and automation improvements at the treatment plant that impact the fluoridation system.

The system was originally built in 2012, and OMWD began fluoridating its water in 2013 to comply with California Health & Safety Code §§116409-116415. When fluoridating, OMWD targets a fluoridation level of 0.7 mg/L, as prescribed by the US Department of Health and Human Services. While fluoridation is paused, the water produced at the David C. McCollom Water Treatment Plant contains naturally occurring fluoride at levels ranging from 0.2 to 0.4 mg/L.

The duration of this pause has yet to be determined. OMWD will notify you regarding any changes to fluoridation.

For more information about fluoridation at OMWD, please visit www.olivenhain.com/fluoride, or send questions to watersaver@olivenhain.com.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberly A. Thorner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Kimberly A. Thorner
General Manager

