

## **CITY OF BLOOMINGTON UTILITIES DRINKING WATER TREATMENT METHOD TO CHANGE BACK TO CHLORAMINES MARCH 23rd**

**Bloomington, IN**— City of Bloomington Utilities has announced it will resume treating drinking water at the Monroe Water Treatment Plant through the primary method of chloramines starting Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

CBU has been temporarily treating the drinking water through a procedure known as “free chlorination” disinfection since mid-December.

Utilities spokesman Jon Callahan acknowledges the change to “free chlorination” resulted in some customers experiencing an increased presence of chlorine either through smell or taste in their drinking water, but adds those customers will begin to notice its absence soon after the switch back to chloramines.

“As the chloramines move through the system, our customers should notice a definite improvement in the taste of their drinking water in two to four days depending on where they live.”

City of Bloomington Utilities has used chloramines, a mixture of chlorine and ammonia, to purify its drinking water since 1985. Chloramines is used as a drinking water disinfectant by many water treatment and distribution plants on four continents, including the United States and Canada.