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MEDIA RELEASE

Montgomery County Meets or Exceeds Drinking Water Quality Standards

2016 Drinking Water Quality Report Released

Dayton, OH (April 1, 2016) – Montgomery County Environmental Services has once again met or exceeded all drinking water safety and testing standards, as set forth by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Citizens can learn more by reading the 2016 Drinking Water Quality Report, which contains information about public safety and health, drinking water sources and water contaminant monitoring. The report is located at http://www.mcohio.org/2016_Montgomery_County_Drinking_Water_Quality_Report.pdf

"We appreciate all of our employees at Environmental Services, who work every day to ensure that our citizens have safe, clean, affordable drinking water," said Judy Dodge, Montgomery County Commission President. "This year, water quality has become a national concern. It is important now, more than ever, that we work diligently to reassure out citizens that their water is safe."

Each year, the Montgomery County Environmental Laboratory tests more than 12,000 water samples to ensure that Montgomery County water is safe and pure. This is the 18th year in a row that the department has met and exceeded drinking water safety and testing standards.

"The high quality of our drinking water is a valuable resource for our citizens and local businesses. We try to be good stewards of that resource," said Patrick Turnbull, director of Environmental Services. "Without the dedication of our hard working staff, access to clean, affordable water would not be a given. I'm grateful for our employees and everything they do."

Montgomery County Environmental Services distributes drinking water to more than 80,000 customers, and is responsible for maintaining 12 pump stations, 14 water storage facilities (e.g., water towers, reservoirs), about 1,400 miles of water mains, more than 30,000 valves and more than 12,000 fire hydrants. Montgomery County Environmental Services purchases its drinking water from the City of Dayton Department of Water, which also provided data for the report.

The EPA requires all community water systems to produce a drinking water quality report, also called a consumer confidence report. Notices about the 2016 Drinking Water Quality Report have been mailed to all Montgomery County water and sewer customers. To get copies of the report, call (937) 781-2532 or visit *www.mcohio.org/water*.

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About Montgomery County Environmental Services

Montgomery County Environmental Services provides solid waste, recycling, drinking water, and water reclamation services to the citizens of Montgomery County. The department also offers educational outreach to local schools, communities, and businesses that want to learn more about conservation and sustainability in the Miami Valley region.

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