



**BOIL WATER ADVISORY
September 3, 2010**

To Consumers of the St. Thomas Water Distribution System within the following boundaries. Starting at Sunset Terrace off Stanley Street down the hill to Sunset Drive. Sunset Drive between the first bridge north of Bush Line down to Bush Line. Bush Line past the Pollution Plant and Transfer Station and including three houses at the top of the hill where the line ends.

The Acting Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Frank Warsh, is advising users of the St. Thomas Water Distribution System in the affected area to bring water to a rolling boil for at least one minute prior to using it for domestic purposes e.g., drinking, making infant formula and juice, brushing teeth, washing raw foods and making ice.

The reason for this advisory is that a water sample collected on September 2, 2010 at the sampling station located at Bush Line in the west section of the City of St. Thomas showed the presence of 1 cfu/100 ml of E.coli and 16 cfu/100 ml of total coliforms. These results are above the maximum acceptable concentration in Ontario Regulation 169 (Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards).

This advisory measure is in place until such time as further bacteriological tests prove the water to be safe.

A copy of "[How to use water safely during a boil water advisory](#)" is available on the Elgin St. Thomas Public Health Website at www.elginhealth.on.ca

Dr. Frank Warsh
Acting Medical Officer of Health