Boil advisory issued for Seneca, portion of RWD#3

(KMZA)--The Kansas Department of Health and Environment has issued a boil water advisory for the City of Seneca.

The advisory was issued Wednesday due to a line break resulting in a loss of pressure. KDHE says failure to maintain adequate pressure may result in a loss of chlorine residuals and bacterial contamination.

A boil advisory has also been issued for a portion of Nemaha County Rural Water District #3 in the Baileyville vicinity, which the city of Seneca supplies with water. It includes rural water customers three miles north and one mile south of Highway 36 between Seneca and Baileyville, along with the community of Baileyville.

Customers should observe the following precautions until further notice:

- Boil water for one minute prior to drinking or food preparation or use bottled water.
- Dispose of ice cubes and do not use ice from a household automatic icemaker.
- If your tap water appears dirty, flush the water lines by letting the water run until it clears.
- Disinfect dishes and other food contact surfaces by immersion for at least one minute in clean tap water that contains one teaspoon of unscented household bleach per gallon of water.
- Water used for bathing does not generally need to be boiled. Supervision of children is necessary while bathing so that water is not ingested. Persons with cuts or severe rashes may wish to consult their physicians.

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