

About CCAC

CCAC Founded June 30, 2004:

CCAC was founded by Denise Johnson-Kula and joined by eleven other individuals suffering adverse health effects from chloramine, which was added to the Hetch Hetchy water distribution system in February 2004. There are four elected executive officers and a governing board of members. CCAC represents a growing membership of hundreds of people on the Hetch Hetchy water system who have been affected by chloramine. CCAC has documented over 400 chloramine-related cases in the San Francisco Bay Area alone.

CCAC Executive Officers:

CCAC has an elected governing board, elected yearly. 2006 Executive Officers are:

President: Denise Johnson-Kula, Menlo Park.

Vice-President: Linda Corwin, Pacifica (also chair of Pacifica CCAC)

Secretary: Gregory Kula, Menlo Park

Treasurer: Bruce Dronek, San Jose

CCAC as an Incorporated Non-profit Organization:

CCAC is an incorporated non-profit organization. It is a non-partisan group working with those who are concerned about chloramine in the water supply and its harmful effects to humans and the environment. CCAC became a nonprofit organization on May 30, 2005 and was incorporated on July 14, 2005.

Goals of CCAC:

CCAC's ultimate goal is to have chloramine removed from the water supply and replaced with a safer and tested disinfectant. Until then, water utilities should provide the necessary filtration systems for those suffering health effects caused by chloramine. To lower trihalomethanes, CCAC recommends prefiltration of organic matter from the water before disinfection. This would allow a return to the use of chlorine as the disinfectant. CCAC would like a moratorium on the use of chloramine until the dermal, respiratory and digestive studies have been done and the cancer studies completed.

CCAC Satellite Groups:

On July 12, 2005, a satellite group was formed in Pacifica, chaired by Linda Corwin. In June 2006, a new satellite group was formed called Vermont People Concerned About Chloramine, headed by Ellen Powell who resides in the Champlain Water District (CWD). (In April 2006, CWD was the first water district in Vermont to switch to chloramine. Ellen Powell and her group have made rapid progress in their campaign against chloramine.)

CCAC Meetings:

CCAC meetings are held in three different locations, Foster City, Los Altos, and Pacifica. Foster City and Los Altos sites meet weekly on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For information, call Denise at 650-328-0424. The Pacifica meetings are held once a month at the Pacifica Library at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For information, call Linda at 650-355-6447.

Channel 26 TV Interview:

On July 14, 2005, an interview was conducted by Sharron Walker of Pacifica Currents and videotaped by Channel 26 in Pacifica. CCAC President Denise Johnson-Kula and Vice-President Linda Corwin took part in this videotaped interview. The video is shown at Informational Meetings to raise the public's level of awareness on chloramine.

Contact with Lawmakers and Water Districts:

CCAC attends and speaks regularly at city council and water board meetings, like Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA). We also meet with local lawmakers to inform them about chloramine and its damaging effects. Currently, we are working with Assembly member Ira Ruskin on legislation to remove chloramine from our water supply, and to get the appropriate health studies done. We encourage everyone affected by or concerned about chloramine to contact Ira Ruskin at email assemblymember.Ruskin@assembly.ca.gov, phone number 650 691-2121, mailing address 5050 El Camino Real, Suite 117, Los Altos, CA 94022.

Informational Meetings:

CCAC holds Informational Meetings in various cities and communities to raise the public awareness about chloramine. The first Informational Meeting was held on September 6, 2005 at the Menlo Park Library, followed by numerous meetings from San Francisco to Sunnyvale. These ongoing meetings, held about once a month, have been highly successful, well received and well attended. A typical meeting includes basic information on chloramine in our water supply, playing of the Channel 26 interview, a summary of any current news, and a discussion about chloramine and "Toxic Showers and Baths". The meeting ends with an open question and answer session. These free informational meetings are an important way to get the word out to the public about chloramine. For a schedule of upcoming informational meetings, or to arrange a meeting in your area, call CCAC at 650 328-0424.

Articles and Letters to the Editor:

CCAC wages a highly successful and active writing campaign to let the public know about the problems with chloramine in our water supply. Articles have been written and letters sent to editors of newspapers by CCAC members and supporters.

Website and Internet Address:

CCAC's website, www.chloramine.org, includes chloramine's adverse effects on health, the environment, and plumbing; research studies and links; articles and published letters to newspapers; and other information on chloramine. CCAC's email address is lindacor@earthlink.net.

Contacts:

For information or to contact CCAC call Denise Johnson-Kula at 650-328-0424. To write, address letters to CCAC, 946 Florence Lane, Suite 4, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

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