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For Immediate Release:

Montgomery County Health Department announces Potassium Iodide distribution September 1st, 2nd and 3rd for county residents within a 10 mile radius of the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station

August 27, 2009 (Norristown, PA) The Montgomery County Health Department and the Montgomery County Department of Public Safety, in support of the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Potassium Iodide initiative will be offering free Potassium Iodide (KI) tablets to residents living within a ten mile radius of the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station.

KI can add an extra layer of protection in the unlikely event of an accidental release of radioactive iodine. The Health Department will be distributing the tablets at the Hope Community Church, 2732 North Charlotte Street, Gilbertsville, PA. The tablets are provided at no cost to residents.

The KI tablets will be distributed starting Tuesday morning, September 1 through Thursday evening, September 3. The distribution site will be open from 9:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. each day. Tablets will not be distributed prior to 9:30, so we ask that residents not arrive prior to that time.

Four tablets will be issued per household member. Individuals picking up KI tablets should have their driver's license available to receive the tablets. Individuals will be allowed to pick up tablets for their family members and those who are unable to pick them up on their own. Written, detailed instructions for the KI tablets will be provided.

Additional distribution centers within the 10 mile radius include:

Keystone Fire Company
Southeast Berks County
240 N. Walnut Street
Boyertown, PA 19512
610-367-2200
610-367-8565 (call for reservations)

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EASTERN COURT HOUSE ANNEX

102 York Road, Suite 401

Willow Grove, PA 19090

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Chester County Health Department
Kimberton Fairgrounds
Route 113 South of Seven Stars Road
Kimberton, PA 19442
11:30 am – 7:30 am

Local businesses within the 10 mile radius (that already received KI from MCHD from 2002 until present), will be contacted by the Montgomery County Health Department (MCHD) to update the number of employee's at the site. Once the KI pill order is filled, arrangements will be made for businesses to pick up their pills at MCHD Pottstown Health Center.

All other businesses within the 10 mile radius can contact MCHD Pottstown Health Center at 610-970-5040 to provide necessary information and make arrangements to pick up KI pills for their employees.

If for any reason people are unable to pick up KI during the three-day distribution, or if they decide at a later time that they'd like to get KI, tablets can be picked up after September 8th, between the hours of 9:00am and 12:00pm at:

The Montgomery County Health Department
Pottstown Health Center
364 King Street
Pottstown, PA
610-970-5040

*****Distribution of tablets for residents and businesses
will be dependent on availability*****

For more information please refer to the PA State Health Department website at: www.dsf.health.state.pa.us.

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