This advisory is issued as a result of sampling of Lake Ratcliff, Davy Crockett National Forest, Houston County. Samples of fish taken from Lake Ratcliff indicate the presence of mercury at concentrations that may pose a threat to human health if consumed.

COUNTY: Houston
AREA: Lake Ratcliff
SPECIES AFFECTED: Largemouth bass
CONTAMINANT: Mercury
CONSUMPTION ADVISORY: Adults should limit consumption of largemouth bass from this lake to no more than two (2) eight-ounce meals per month. Children should limit consumption of largemouth bass from this lake to no more than two (2) four-ounce meals per month.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

Issued this 10th day of May, 2002.

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Commissioner of Health