**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**

Important Information About Your Drinking Water

**LEAD ACTION LEVEL Exceedance**

Date:

PWS ID:

To: The Customers/Residents of

From:

Compliance Period:

Our public water system recently exceeded the lead drinking water action level. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation. We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. The results of routine water quality samples indicate a lead level of mg/L. This level exceeds the 90th percentile lead action level of 0.015 mg/L.

**What does this mean?**

Action level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, signals a need for treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. Under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the EPA set the action level for lead in drinking water at 0.015 mg/l. Public Water Systems are required to act if the sample results are greater than 0.015 mg/l in 10 percent or more of the samples collected for compliance.

90th percentile: This means that no more than 10 percent of the lead samples collected can be above the lead action level.

**What is being done?**

* Increased sampling: Sampling for lead will be conducted every 6 months so we can closely monitor the lead levels in our water system.
* Public Education: We are issuing public education materials to ensure all our customers know about the water system 90th percentile values exceeding the action level, the health effects of lead, the sources of lead in drinking water and actions you can take to reduce exposure to lead in drinking water. See attached “IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD IN YOUR DRINKING WATER” document for more information.
* Source water monitoring: We will conduct monitoring of our source water to ensure that lead is not entering our water system from the source water.
* Corrosion Control: We will be preparing and submitting our recommended optimal corrosion control treatment proposal and, if needed, a source water treatment proposal to the Department of Public Health Drinking Water Section for review and approval.

We expect to return to compliance or resolve the situation by

(date)

If you have any questions please contact at or

(owner, operator or designee) (phone #)

by mail at , , ,

(Street) (Town) (State) (Zip Code)

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place and distributing copies by hand or mail.