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### Environmental Health and Drinking Water Branch

EHDW Circular Letter #2022-05

TO: Community & Non-Transient Non-Community Public Water Systems

FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief, EHDW *Lori J. Mathieu '22*

DATE: January 19, 2022

SUBJECT: **EPA Announces Decision for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR)**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced on December 16, 2021 that the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR) went into effect as of December 16, 2021 to support near-term development of actions to reduce lead in drinking water. The compliance date for the LCRR is October 16, 2024. For more information on the LCRR, visit the Federal Register at <https://www.regulations.gov>: [Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2017-0300](https://www.regulations.gov).

At the same time, EPA will develop a new proposed rulemaking, the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI), to strengthen key elements of the LCRR before October 16, 2024. The focus areas for the LCRI are:

- Replacing all lead service lines
- Compliance tap sampling
- Action and trigger levels
- Prioritize underserved communities

For more information on the proposed rulemaking, review the fact sheet at [https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-12/lcrr-review-fact-sheet\\_0.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-12/lcrr-review-fact-sheet_0.pdf).

#### **Submittal required by the LCRR compliance date of October 16, 2024**

Community and non-transient non-community (NTNC) public water systems (PWSs) are required to submit the following to the Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) by October 16, 2024:

- 1) Lead Service Line (LSL) Inventory
- 2) LSL Replacement Plan
- 3) LSL Replacement Goal Rate Plan (for PWS >10,000 people)
- 4) Updated Sampling Site Plan with new Tier Criteria
- 5) Tap sampling protocol for individuals collecting samples
- 6) List of schools and childcare facilities served by the water system

DWS strongly recommends beginning the development of the LSL inventory immediately, which includes the evaluation of every service connection within the water system.



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**Compliance action required on or after the LCRR compliance date**

Compliance sampling requirements and actions in the LCRR, such as, but not limited to the following begins on October 16, 2024:

- Trigger level
- New sampling tier criteria
- 5<sup>th</sup> liter sampling
- Sampling of schools and childcare facilities served by PWS
- Find and fix
- Optimal corrosion control treatment
- Water quality parameters
- Etc.

If you have any questions on the LCRR, please contact Cindy Sek of my staff at [cindy.sek@ct.gov](mailto:cindy.sek@ct.gov).

C: Heather Aaron, Deputy Commissioner, DPH