DWS Circular Letter #2016-13

To: Community Public Water Systems

From: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section

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Subject: Eligibility of Service Line Replacement Under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently clarified the eligibility of service line replacements paid for with DWSRF funds. The May 9, 2016 memo states that complete service line replacement is an eligible DWSRF expense, regardless of pipe material and ownership of the property on which the service line is located. These types of projects may be funded if the entity is eligible to receive DWSRF funding and all other requirements of the Program are met.

The Drinking Water Section (DWS) expects the next call for DWSRF projects to be issued in the fall of 2016. The Eligibility Applications submitted in response to this call will be used to develop the projects lists for funding for state fiscal years 2018 and 2019. The DWS especially encourages public water systems with known lead service lines to consider submitting an Eligibility Application for funding a replacement project through the DWSRF Program.

For more information on the Lead and Copper Rule, please refer to Circular Letters 2016-07, 2016-09 and 2016-11, and the DWS website www.ct.gov/dph/publicdrinkingwater; or link directly to the Lead & Copper Rule page.

For more information on the DWSRF Program, please visit www.ct.gov/dph/dwsrf.

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