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EHDW Circular Letter #2025-02

TO: Community Public Water Systems
Non-Transient Non-Community Public Water Systems
Certified Operators

FROM: Christopher D. Roy, Section Chief
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DATE: January 31, 2025

SUBJECT: **Tier 1 Public Notification for Lead Action Level Exceedance**

As a reminder, to be compliant with the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements published in October 2024, Community Public Water Systems and Non-Transient Non-Community Public Water Systems must issue a **Tier 1 public notification (Tier 1 PN)** when there is an exceedance of the lead action level. See [40 CFR § 141.201\(a\)\(3\)\(vi\)](#). **No later than 24 hours** after the public water system learns of the exceedance, the public water system must issue the Tier 1 PN to all customers and send a copy of such notice to CT DPH and EPA. See [40 CFR § 141.202](#); [40 CFR § 141.31\(d\)\(2\)](#). Copies should be sent to CT DPH at DPH.PNCoordinator@ct.gov and to EPA at LeadALE@epa.gov.

In addition to timely notifying customers, CT DPH, and EPA, the public water system also must provide CT DPH with a completed certification within 10 days after issuing the Tier 1 PN. See [40 CFR § 141.31\(d\)\(1\)](#).

Please note that a public water system with an exceedance of the lead action level is also required to provide public education (PE) materials to customers within 60 days after the end of the monitoring period. See [40 CFR § 141.85\(b\)\(2\)](#). The PE materials must include the updated lead health effects language. See [40 CFR 141.85\(a\)\(1\)\(ii\)](#). The EPA has developed the [Tier 1 PN Factsheet](#) which is a summary of the requirements. EPA also has provided a [Tier 1 PN notification template](#) to assist public water systems in developing a Tier 1 PN.

If you have any questions on the LCRR Tier 1 PN requirements, please contact us at DPH.LeadandCopper@ct.gov.

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