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 Subject: "up to 20% lead" from water is not correct, or consistent with Federal Register mandated language Steve and Jeff and Matt and Eric,

I was trying to figure out how and why EPA is now cited as the source of lead in water causing "up to 20%" of lead in blood, as I have seen that in many presentations and PE materials.

This statement makes no sense based on any prior scientific study, and a few months back I discovered this is contradicted by the original study in the EPA docket for the LCR.

In fact, this language is not even consistent with that mandated in the federal register, which says you have to tell consumers that lead in water is "20% or more" of the lead in blood.

The Federal Register is accurate. "Up to 20%" is essentially the opposite of the required language of "20% or more," and I would like to get this misleading information corrected as soon as possible.

As near as I can tell, it looks like this language now cited with EPA as the source, originated with MWRA. Can the four of you look this over, and tell me where I am going wrong, and take steps to have this removed from the EPA web pages if I am not wrong? Steve, if you can tell me the original source for MWRA's statements on "up to 20%," I would appreciate your help in tracking that down.

Thanks in advance.

Marc