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Subject: RE: Ticket #23002-490657 Response Sent
Date: Friday, October 02, 2015 10:03:38 AM

Sheila,

I am responding to your e-mail to address your concerns with lead Flint's drinking water. The drinking water treated at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) and distributed to Flint residents meets all applicable drinking water standards and has not detected the presence of lead in any plant tap samples (water that leaves the WTP). Although the drinking water standards are being met, and compliance with the Action Level for lead is being achieved (90% of selected sites sampled throughout the city are at or below the 15 parts per billion Action Level for lead in accordance to EPA's monitoring requirements), there is no safe level for lead in drinking water. Compliance with the lead Action Level; however, does not mean that under certain conditions that some residents may have water within their domestic plumbing system that has leached lead from either a lead service line or lead solder.

The only way to know if you are being exposed to a higher concentration of lead at your residency is to have a sample collected from your residency and analyzed for lead at a certified laboratory. It is our understanding that the city of Flint is working with their customers on lead sampling requests without charge. You will need contact the city to arrange for the sampling.

If lead is present in the water at your home or if there is uncertainty, our advice is to minimize stagnation of the water prior to consumption by running your faucet for several minutes to clear out the stagnated water from your plumbing and service line.

Below is a link that provide additional information regarding lead in drinking water.

<http://water.epa.gov/drink/contaminants/basicinformation/lead.cfm>

If you have any further concerns regarding lead in your drinking water or on any other water related matter, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Hello,

Have you not heard that the water quality in Michigan is detrimental to its residents? It is filled with lead; killing our children and the elderly who are most vulnerable. What is the EPA doing about this? Even the hospitals are forced to order distilled water for patients (in/out). I want expeditious answers.

Thank you,
Sheila

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Hello,

It is unfortunate that you don't track local drinking water information. So in essence your tracking efforts are limited to the auspices of NRCS Water Division only for the conservation