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Updated with Jean/Kris comments incorporated.

DRINKING WATER LEAD AND COPPER SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

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Dear Resident:

Thank you for helping to monitor for lead and copper in your drinking water. This sampling effort is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and is being accomplished through the cooperation of homeowners and residents.

It is important that you follow these instructions so that we may collect an accurate measurement of the lead and copper in your drinking water. This sample is supposed to should represent the water you would typically drink and the faucet from where you would drink the water. Call your water supply if you have any questions.

~~1. Water must sit idle in the pipes for an extended length of time before sampling. A sample is to be collected after water has been sitting in the pipes for an extended period of time (i.e., no water use during this period). Therefore, do not use any water for at least 6 hours before sampling. We do not recommend sampling if the water has sat idle for more than 12 hours. A minimum 6-hour period during which there is no water use from that tap must be achieved prior to sampling. We do not recommend sampling if the faucet has sat idle for more than 12 hours. If the faucet has been idle more than 18 hours, the sample may not be analyzed because it does not represent typical daily use.~~

~~1. The best times to sample are early morning or after returning from work. Due to this requirement, either early mornings or evenings upon returning from work are the best times for collecting samples. The collection procedure is described in more detail below.~~

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~~2. Select a faucet in the **KITCHEN** or **BATHROOM** that is commonly used for drinking. **DO NOT** sample from a laundry sink or a hose spigot as these samples cannot be used by your water supply for compliance.~~

~~3. If you have a single handle faucet, turn it to the **COLD** side. Place the open sample bottle (open) below the faucet and gently open the cold water tap. Fill the sample bottle to the neck of the bottle with the "first draw" of **COLD** water.~~

~~4. Tightly cap the sample bottle and place in the sample kit provided. Please review the sample kit label at this time to ensure that all information contained on the label is correct.~~

~~5. Answer the questions on the back of this form and remember to sign the form.~~

~~6. Attach this form to the bottle and leave it outside your front door for pick-up.~~

~~7. Thank you again for your help. We will send you the results within 30 days of receiving them. Information on this year's lead and copper monitoring will be printed in the Consumer Confidence Annual Water Quality Report that will be made available to you by July 1 of next year. Contact your water supply if you have any questions.~~

Water Supply: _____

If you have any questions call: