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Health/Safety and
Environmental
Regulatory
Compliance

Mr. Mike Angeloni, CEFM
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Right-To-Know

re: **Water Sampling for Compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4
Final Report: Lead in Drinking Water**

OSHA/EPA/DOT
Training Programs

Dear Mr. Angeloni,

Asbestos and Lead
Management

We enclose the following documents and related information for compliance with the new NJ Department of Education Regulation related to Lead in Drinking Water in school buildings:

Industrial Hygiene/
OSHA Compliance

Sampling Report Narrative	3 pages
Water Sampling Logs and Results	1 page
Laboratory Analytical Report (digital copy only)	4 pages

Indoor Air Quality

On October 03, 2024, a total of 11 drinking and cooking water samples were collected for Lead analysis in the District's building. All sample results were compliant with the referenced regulation. In fact, 8 of the 11 water samples showed no measurable Lead content. These results are shown as ND which means that no Lead was detected at or above the laboratory sensitivity limit of 1 part per billion (ppb).

Underground/
Aboveground
Storage Tanks

Environmental
Site Assessment

This report along with the attached sample logs and results should be posted to the School District's website as noted in this report.

Hazardous/
Medical Waste
Management

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us.

Sincerely,

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Environmental
Audits

PDM/

Expert Witness/
Litigation Support

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Customized
Software

Sampling Report - Lead in Drinking Water
Washington Township School District

1. Sampling Results Summary

Sample Collection Date	October 03, 2024
Number of Building(s) Sampled	2
Total Number of Samples Collected	11
Number of Samples with No Detectible Lead	8
Number of Samples Exceeding 5 ppb (but < 15 ppb)	1
Number of Samples Exceeding 15 ppb (0.015 mg/L) Standard	0

2. Water Sampling Procedures

Sampling protocols and procedures follow the EPA “3-T’s Program” that was developed in 2006 for schools and Child Care centers. They recognize that the typical school building is actually a conglomeration of an original building with one or more additions, each of which typically having different plumbing system materials.

In addition, building sections constructed before 1986 likely have plumbing systems that used leaded solders on copper water lines. Very old buildings and public water supply systems may also still have lead piping. Other potential sources of Lead in drinking water systems include brass faucets, fittings, along with valve seats and stems that are used in the municipal and building piping distribution systems. It is important to note that “Lead-Free” plumbing components used since 1986 may actually contain up to 8% Lead by weight. In January 2014, this limit was lowered from 8% to 0.2% Lead.

The sampling protocol requires that water be collected as a “First-Draw” to ensure that the water sample has been standing for at least 8 hours. This is intended to replicate a “worst-case” situation since the Lead levels are usually lowered significantly after running the water even for a few moments.

All samples were collected in 250 ml contaminant-free containers. Laboratory analysis of the water samples was performed by Eurofins Built Environment/IATL of Mt Laurel, NJ (NJ DEP Certification Nos. NJ 03863). The analytical method is per EPA Method 200.9 via atomic absorption, induction coupled plasma technique.

3. Sample Results and Discussion

Sampling results are discussed below and the sampling logs are appended to this report. All results are expressed as parts of Lead per billion parts of water (ppb) and compared against the current 15 ppb. This is equivalent to 0.015 parts of Lead per liter parts of water (mg/L).

A total of 11 water samples were collected on October 03, 2024 and analyzed for total Lead content. Three (3) samples had low but measurable levels of Lead while the others had no detectible Lead present.

4. Additional Recommendations and Future Work

All water sample results showed acceptable results for Lead content. The following responses include those required by N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4 and our recommendations to maintain the drinking water quality as it relates to Lead contamination.

The NJ Dept of Education regulations require that:

- These sampling results are made publically available at the school building and on the School District's website.
- The School District shall collect drinking water samples and analyze for Lead at any drinking water outlet that has been replaced or after any alterations to the plumbing or service lines to the outlet. Do not consume or cook with water from the affected outlet until acceptable Lead results are obtained.
- Repeat water sampling within 3 years but before June 30, 2027.

In addition, we suggest that the following responses to minimize the potential for Lead contamination of drinking water:

Administrative Responses:

- There are several factors that influence the potential for Lead corrosion in drinking water piping systems. These include the chemistry of the water supplied being supplied to the building, water temperature and velocity through the piping, the age and condition of the plumbing, and the amount of time the water sits "stagnant" in contact with piping and drinking water fixtures. This last factor is the only one that a building owner has any control of.
- School building codes require a minimum of one (1) drinking water tap for every 100 students of building capacity. Wherever a larger number of water taps exists, the usage factor for each tap decreases. This, in turn, increases the "stagnation time" along with the increased potential for Lead corrosion. It is recommended that the need for all the water taps be investigated and reduced where appropriate while maintaining the minimum of 1 tap per 100 students.
- Consider implementing a program to shut-off and replace (if needed) any drinking water fixture of appliance that is more than 35 years old (was installed before the 1986 Lead Ban took effect).

Operational and Maintenance Responses:

- Use cold water only for drinking or cooking. Higher water temperatures will increase the water's corrosion potential.
- EPA recommends that any water tap where the measured Lead content exceeds 5 parts per billion (PPB) or 0.005 mg/L be inspected and cleaned of line sediment to eliminate

potential sources of Lead contamination. There was only 1 water samples above this level.

- It is known that flushing water through drinking water taps will reduce the levels of Lead present in the drinking water. It is also recommended that a program be established to run water at all drinking or cooking taps for at least one minute before students and staff return to school after long breaks, especially after Summer recesses.

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Water Sampling Log

Name of Building
Building Owner

(see below)
Washington Township Bd of Educ

Date Collected 03-Oct-24
Collected by PD McGuinness

Sample No.	Tap No.	Sample Type	Type of Outlet	Manufacturer	Location	Time	Lead Results	
							PPB	%AL
					Brass Castle School			
RK-100324-01	1	1st	Bottle Filler		Main Hallway - across from Main Office	06:48	ND	-
RK-100324-02	6a	1st	Bubbler		Nurse's Office, left side	06:51	ND	-
--	6b	1st	Bubbler		Nurse's Office, right side ** Out of Service **	--		
RK-100324-04	12	1st	Sink		Kitchen	06:55	ND	-
--	13	1st	Hose Filler		Kitchen - Spray Hose	--		
RK-100324-06	15	1st	Sink		Faculty Room 211	06:58	ND	-
RK-100324-07	4	1st	Bottle Filler		Hallway across from Room 206/207	07:01	ND	-
					Port Colden School			
RK-100324-08	1	1st	Sink		Kitchen	07:25	2.20	15%
RK-100324-09	2	1st	Hose		Kitchen	07:26	7.50	50%
RK-100324-10	3	1st	Sink		Nurse's Office - bathroom sink, east side	07:29	ND	-
RK-100324-11	4	1st	Bottle Filler		2nd Floor Hallway - across from Room 3043	07:31	ND	-
RK-100324-12	10	1st	Fountain		Main Hallway - outside of Room 200	07:35	ND	-
--	11	1st	Sink		Main Hallway - Faculty lav, across from Main Office	--		
					Admin Bldg			
RK-100324-13	1	1st	Sink		2nd Floor Bathroom Sink	07:42	1.60	11%

Sample Type:

1st: First Draw sample collected after water sat in pipe between 8 and 18 hours

FL: Water flushed through tap for at least 2 minutes

<: means Not Detected at or above the Reliability Detection Limit (RDL) of 1 PPB for Lead.