1ST DRAW LEAD/COPPER SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

For Compliance Sampling at Sites Without Lead Service Lines

**Read all instructions before opening your sample bottle.**

**Please note:** These sampling instructions are generic; the procedure and included materials may vary depending on which certified laboratory your water supply is using.

- The sample kit you will receive from your water supply may include various materials. Do not throw anything away unless otherwise instructed.
- Do not use any water in your house for at least six hours before you collect samples. The best time to sample may be first thing in the morning or after you return home from work.
- Only use a **cold-water** faucet in the **kitchen** or **bathroom** that is routinely used for drinking.
- If the faucet has a faucet-mounted filter, the device **must** be bypassed or removed before sampling.
- If your home has a water softener, iron removal filter, reverse osmosis system or other treatment device, contact your water supplier before sampling.

1. **COLD water**
   - Do not use any water in your house for at least 6 hours.
   - Use the **COLD water only** at a **kitchen** or **bathroom** faucet for sample collection.

2. **Open the bottle and do not touch the inside of the bottle or cap.**

3. **Place bottle under the faucet.**
   - Turn on the **COLD water**.
   - Fill the bottle to the neck, turn off the water, and tightly place the cap back on the bottle.

4. **Fill out all corresponding forms completely and accurately.**
   - If you have any questions about paperwork please contact your water supply.

5. **Attach the form(s) to the bottle and arrange pick-up according to instructions provided by your water department.**