

Public Advisory Certificate of Distribution

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Summary of Public Advisory (PA) Requirements and Certificate of Distribution

For Community Water Supplies That Exceed the Lead Action Level

A Public Advisory (PA) must be issued within three business days after the Department notifies a Water Supply that an exceedance of the lead action level has occurred. Send documentation to the DEQ that the PA was issued using an appropriate method within the required timeframe.

To meet this requirement, water supplies may use this checklist to document the PA issuance activities. Send this checklist, or similar documentation to the DEQ along with a sample copy of PA that was issued.

Start Here (indicate one or more of the following activities)

1. Issue PA using appropriate broadcast media, such as radio and television
Please list media outlets and date of broadcast: Press Conference at BH City Hall with Berrien County, Mayor, and City Manager . Wide distribution in Local Papers, Radio and Television. 10/23/18
2. Post the PA in conspicuous locations throughout the area served by the public water supply.
Locations posted and date of posting: On the City Web site www.bhcity.us ; City Hall; BH Library. 11/1/18
3. Hand deliver the PA to each person served by the water supply. The water supply may use electronic transmission instead of or combined with printed materials as long as it achieves at least the same coverage.
Date delivered: Every Door Direct Mailing from USPS in Benton Harbor 4,580 pieces 10/30/18
4. Use a communication method other than one listed, as approved, in writing, by the Department.
Date delivered: _____

I affirm that Public Advisory has been issued. I am enclosing a copy of the Public Advisory.

Signature

Michael O'Malley

Printed Name

Benton Harbor Water Superintendent

Title

Benton Harbor Water Department

Water Supply Name

MI 0600

Water Supply Serial Number (WSSN)

Send this checklist to the appropriate DEQ district office at <http://michigan.gov/deq>, click Contacts, click on Environmental Contacts, click on district. Or email to DEQ-CWS-Reporting@michigan.gov.

Benton Harbor Water Plant
200 E. Wall Street
Benton Harbor, MI. 49022

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U.S. POSTAGE PAID
EDDM Retail

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Distribute to 4,560 addresses

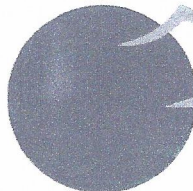
10/30/18

*****ECRWSS*****

Local
Postal Customer
Benton Harbor, MI. 49022

This Notice has Important Information about the Drinking Water
for the Residents of the City of Benton Harbor.
Please read inside to learn what is happening, what the city is doing and what you can do.
If you live in Benton Twp or St. Joe Twp, this mailing is provided by the USPS every-door-
direct-mailing system and usually goes out into the surrounding townships. Our apologies.

BENTON HARBOR
Port of Opportunities



An Advisory about the Drinking Water to the Customers of the City of Benton Harbor

Every three years, since 1993, the City of Benton Harbor conducts testing of tap water in the City's homes for lead and copper as required by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This summer, we collected water samples from thirty homes. Eight of those homes were above the Action Level of 15 parts per billion (ppb) for lead. The 90th percentile of samples was 22 ppb for lead.

Exceeding the Action Level triggers additional actions including, but not limited to, increased investigative sampling of water quality and educational outreach to customers. Elevated levels of lead in the drinking water can cause health concerns. The most important thing you can do is run water to flush out potential lead contaminants.

You can reduce your risk of lead exposure from water using the information below:

- Run your water to stable, cold temperatures (usually 3 to 5 minutes) before drinking to flush out any potential contaminants.
- Use cold water tap for drinking or cooking.
- Use bottled water to prepare baby formula.
- Do not boil your water as boiling will not reduce the amount of lead in water.
- Water is safe for bathing.

The Berrien County Health Department continues to monitor the blood lead levels of children six and under throughout the county by individual community. There have been no detected increases in the trend of elevated blood lead levels in Benton Harbor children; there is a downward trend of elevated blood lead levels continuing into 2018.

This is the first of several informational notices you will receive about lead in drinking water. A more comprehensive document and additional information regarding lead in drinking water is available at the MDEQ website at: www.michigan.gov/deqleadpublicadvisory. Additionally, the City will be collecting many samples every six months and reviewing the results to determine if corrective actions are necessary to reduce corrosion in household plumbing.

Questions about the water system, water testing, health concerns, or getting your child's blood lead level tested can be directed to the Benton Harbor Water Response Hotline at 1-800-815-5485 from 8:30-5:00pm.

Additional information regarding lead can be found on the City's website: www.bhcity.us or at the MDEQ website at: www.michigan.gov/deqleadpublicadvisory or the Berrien County Health Department website at: www.bchdmi.org.

Thank You for Your Order

Mike O'Malley
Account # - 160658403
CRID # - 25729000

Your Order Number: 5479303
Post Office™ Drop-offs Required: 1
Individual Routes Selected: 7
Delivery Addresses: 4583
Cost of Order: \$815.77
Payment Method:
Pay at Post Office™
Drop Off Order On:
Friday, October 26, 2018
Check your email for an order confirmation.

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Packet

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← Printing trouble delayed to 10/30/18

What do I do next?

1. Double-check your mailpieces.

2. Prepare your mailing bundles.

We recommend that for each route, you bundle your mailing in stacks of **50-100** mailpieces. Bundles may not be higher than 6".

3. Print out your processing forms.

Facing Slips and the Mailing Statement forms tell the Postal Service™ how to process and deliver your order.

You will need to have 1 separate Facing Slip for **each** bundle you create.

For example:

Bundles of 50 would require **92** Facing Slips.

Bundles of 100 would require **46** Facing Slips.

- BENTON HARBOR POST OFFICE™ FACILITY (7 routes, 4583 deliveries)
- 49022-C015 844 deliveries
- 49022-C016 710 deliveries
- 49022-C004 605 deliveries
- 49022-C019 641 deliveries
- 49022-C010 563 deliveries
- 49022-C012 782 deliveries
- 49022-C011 438 deliveries

Write the number of pieces in the bundle on the Facing Slip. For mailings including multiple bundles, number each as "1 of X". If a customer requests to be removed from your mailings, include their address in the *Do Not Deliver* Address column on the Facing Slip.

4. Submit your mailings and forms to the Post Office™ locations listed above on Friday, October 26, 2018.

5. Pay for postage.