Lead and Copper Rule’s Lead Public Education:

Water Bill Language/Insert Template

The following text box includes language that meets the federal Lead and Copper Rule’s Public Education requirements and must be included in water bill notification no less frequently than quarterly during a lead action level exceedance. The Bureau of Safe Drinking Water (Bureau) must review and approve all written public education materials prior to issuance. The following statement may be placed directly on the water bill itself or included as an insert, but must be in an appropriate font size that it can be easily read.1 For additional information, see the Division of Water Supply and Geoscience’s Lead in Drinking Water webpage at <https://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/dwc-lead-public.html>.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD IN YOUR DRINKING WATER**

Contact us at [insert phone number] to obtain a translated copy of the public education materials or to request assistance in the appropriate language. *Repeat the above statement in all languages predominantly spoken in the service area.*

[Insert name of water system] found high levels of lead in drinking water in some homes/buildings. Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. [Option: The water system is taking [insert remedial measures] to reduce lead in drinking water.] For more information, please call [insert name and phone number of water system] or visit [insert water system’s website].

Option: We are required by New Jersey law, P.L.2021, c.183, to replace 10% of the lead service lines in the water system every year, on average, and complete our program by July 2031. Information on this program is available at [enter water system’s website or public location for LSLR plan, program information, and annual report].

Landlords must distribute this information to every tenant as soon as practicable, but no later than three business days after receipt. Delivery must be done by hand, mail, or email, and by posting the information in a prominent location at the entrance of each rental premises, pursuant to section 3 of P.L. 2021, c. 82 (C.58:12A-12.4 et seq.).

1The Lead and Copper Rule allows the Bureau to approve alternative message content and delivery mechanisms. A request must be submitted in writing and justification provided.