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OH5550012 STARFUEL- PIQUA

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

March 13, 2009

**RE: MIAMI COUNTY
STARFIRE EXPRESS- PIQUA
TRANSIENT NON COMMUNITY
PWS ID: OH5550012**

CERTIFIED MAIL

Raghbir Singh
1225 Woodlawn Ave
Cambridge, OH 43725

**Subject: Violation of Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
During First Quarter of 2009 (ACUTE)**

Starfire Express- Piqua is in violation of the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Total Coliform established by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), Rule 3745-81-14. Water samples have confirmed the presence of *E. coli* bacteria in the drinking water. *E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes.* This is an Acute MCL violation requiring immediate action.

IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED:

- 1. Consult with Ohio EPA within 24 hours** regarding public notice requirements. If you have not already received direction regarding this violation, contact the Southwest District Office at 937-285-6417.
- 2. Issue the enclosed public notice within 24 hours** in accordance with OAC, Rule 3745-81-32 using one or more of the following methods to reach all persons served. The appropriate methods for your system are listed below under the Transient Non Community column.

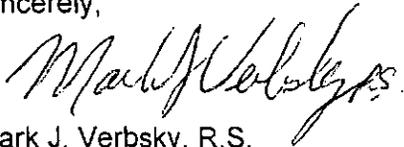
	Transient or Non Transient Non Community
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posting in conspicuous locations, such as bulletin boards, restrooms, drinking fountains, vending areas • Another delivery method approved in writing by the director • Posted notices must remain in place for as long as the violation exists.
<p>Posted notices must remain in place for as long as the violation exists, but in no case for less than seven (7) days (even if the violation is resolved). The language in italics on the enclosed public notice is mandatory and must be included, as written. Do not make changes to the public notice without consulting with Ohio EPA beforehand.</p>	

NOTE: Issuance of a Public Notice must be repeated every 30 days for as long as the violation exists, unless directed otherwise by the District Office. A verification form and a copy of the public notice stating the corrective measures completed to date must be submitted to the Ohio EPA.

3. **Investigate and eliminate the cause of bacterial contamination.** Special purpose samples may be collected to investigate the source of contamination or to verify elimination of the problem (these samples cannot be collected to comply with monitoring or MCL requirements; label samples as "special purpose").
4. **Complete the enclosed verification form within 10 days of issuing the Public Notice** and mail it to Ohio EPA - Southwest District Office. Include a copy of each notice distributed, published or posted.
5. **Discontinue the Water Use Advisory** – The water use advisory shall remain in effect until one set of four (4) repeat samples is total coliform-negative. Notify the people served by the water system when the water use advisory is discontinued.
6. **Monitor with at least five (5) routine samples** in the month following a routine total coliform-positive result in accordance with OAC, Rule 3745-81-21(B)(7).

If you have any questions please call me at 937-285-6417 or Dave Secor at 937-285-6114.

Sincerely,



Mark J. Verbsky, R.S.
Environmental Specialist

Enclosures: Tier 1 Public Notification
Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form

pc: Miami County Health Department
Southwest District Office Files
Information Management Section, DDAGW, CO

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DRINKING WATER WARNING

Fecal coliform or *E. coli* bacteria were found in the Starfire Express- Piqua water supply

**BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING
OR USE BOTTLED WATER**

Bottled water is available from _____

What should I do?

- *DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST. Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for at least one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes and food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.*
- *Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause short term effects, diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely compromised immune systems.*
- *The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.*

What is being done?

We are investigating and taking the necessary steps to correct the problem as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact _____ at _____
name of contact phone number
or at _____
mailing address

General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

PWSID# OH5550012

Date Distributed:

Tier 1: Fecal coliform or *E. coli* Notice – Non community (boil option)

