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NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

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Lorain County
Oberlin Water Department
Community PWS
PWS ID: OH4700911

Subject: Violation of Maximum Contaminant Level for TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHM)
Oberlin Water Department is in violation for exceeding the maximum contaminant level (MCL) standard of 0.080 MG/L as established in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) section 3745-81-12 for TTHM. Compliance with the MCL is based on a running annual average. The annual average for TTHM during the First Quarter of 2011 time period is 0.083 MG/L.

To address the MCL violation, Oberlin Water Department is required to take the following actions:

1. Notify your customers within 30 days using the enclosed instructions and public notice.
2. Complete and send a verification form with a copy of the public notice to the mailing address below within ten days after issuance.
3. Perform quarterly monitoring for TTHM during each calendar quarter (January 1 – March 31; April 1 – June 30; July 1 – September 30; October 1 to December 31).
4. Consult with your Ohio EPA district representative to discuss your options for coming into compliance and establishing a compliance schedule or comply with any previously issued enforcement action.

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Continued noncompliance may lead to additional enforcement actions. If you have any questions or wish to change the public notice, please call me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Sarah Byerly,
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosure: Public Notice; Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form
cc: Manager; DDAGW file; NEDO file; Lorain County Health Department

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Oberlin Water Department Has Levels of TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHM) above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for TTHM. The average level of TTHM over the last four quarters was 0.083 MG/L. The standard for TTHM is 0.080 MG/L.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

The levels detected do not pose an immediate risk to your health. However, some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

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

Additional information may be obtained by contacting:

Contact Person: _____.

Phone Number: _____.

Mailing Address: _____.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Date Distributed: _____

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Monitoring Period: First Quarter of 2011