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CERTIFIED MAIL

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HARDIN HOUSTON LOCAL SCH DIST
5300 HOUSTON RD
HOUSTON, OH 45333

Re: SHELBY COUNTY
HOUSTON HIGH SCHOOL
Nontransient Noncommunity Water System
PWS ID: OH7532512
STU ID: 7558224
SMPID: EP001

**Arsenic Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Exceedance**

Dear Public Water System Owner:

This letter is notification that HOUSTON HIGH SCHOOL is in violation for exceeding the maximum contaminant level (MCL) standard for arsenic of .010 mg/L as established in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) section 3745-81-11. Compliance with the arsenic MCL is based on a running annual average. The annual average for arsenic for the April 1 to June 30, 2007 time period is 0.021 mg/L.

To address the MCL violation the HOUSTON HIGH SCHOOL is required to take the following actions:

1) ISSUE PUBLIC NOTICE:
Within thirty days, issue public notice according to the enclosed instructions. Complete and return the verification form along with a copy of the public notice to my attention at the letterhead address within ten days after it is issued. If arsenic levels continue to exceed the MCL, the public notification must be updated and repeated for each period that the arsenic MCL is exceeded. A verification form and copy of the public notice must be sent to Ohio EPA each time the notice is repeated. The enclosed draft public notice may be used verbatim. The mandatory health language for arsenic must appear in the public notice. If you wish to make any changes to this draft, telephone this office for verbal authorization prior to issuing the public notice.

2) CONTINUE TO SAMPLE FOR ARSENIC:
Continue collecting one sample for arsenic analysis on a quarterly basis. Your next sample should be collected between July 1 and September 30, 2007 .

3) WORK TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM:
Consult with your Ohio EPA district representative to discuss your options for coming into compliance and to establish a compliance schedule.

If you have questions regarding this correspondence, compliance with the arsenic standard, or questions regarding the public notice requirement, please contact me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Emily Cushman

Emily Cushman
Compliance Assurance Section
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosure: Public Notice and Instructions, Verification Form

cc: Superintendent/Manager; SWDO; DDAGW; Mark Sheahan, Supervisor, CU; SHELBY County Health Dept.