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January 21, 2009

**Re: Clark County
Garden Acres Water Company
Community Water System
PWS ID: 1202412**Mr. Mark Rucker, President
Garden Acres Water Company
241 Larchmont Road
Springfield, Ohio 45503

Mr. Rucker:

This letter is notification that the Garden Acres Water Company water system is in violation of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) for failure to perform lead and copper routine tap monitoring as specified in OAC rules 3745-81-80 through 3745-81-89.

Lead and copper routine tap monitoring was required during the June to September, 2008 monitoring period. Ohio EPA records indicate that the water system did not perform the required monitoring. If you have already complied with these requirements, please send the results to our office immediately.

In order to avoid any further violations, you must do the following:

1. Based on the reported population of 240, you are required to collect and analyze a minimum of 5 first draw lead and copper tap samples during the June 1-September 30, 2009 monitoring period. Report the lead and copper results on the enclosed forms 5105, 5106, and 5107. Send a copy of the completed report (forms 5105, 5106, 5107) to the SWDO of the Ohio EPA by October 10, 2009.
2. OAC 3745-81-32 (D)(2). Public Notification. Community public water systems shall provide notice as soon as practical, but no later than one year after the public water system learns of the violation or situation.

The following forms of delivery shall be used in order to reach all persons served:

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(a) Mail or other direct delivery to each customer receiving a bill and to other service connections to which water is delivered by the public water system; and

(b) Any other method reasonably calculated to reach other persons regularly served by the system, if they would not normally be reached by the notice required in paragraph (D)(2)(a) of this rule. Such persons may include those who do not pay water bills or do not have service connection addresses (e.g., house renters, apartment dwellers, university students, nursing home patients, prison inmates, etc.). Other methods may include: publication in a local newspaper; delivery of multiple copies for distribution by customers that provide their drinking water to others (e.g., apartment building owners or large private employers); posting in public places or on the Internet; or delivery to community organizations. If the public notice is posted, the notice shall remain in place for as long as the violation or other situation persists, but in no case less than seven days (even if the violation or situation is resolved).

(c) The consumer confidence report (CCR) required under Chapter 3745-96 of the Administrative Code may be used as a vehicle for the initial public notice and all required repeat notices, as long as:

The CCR is provided to persons served within the time frames specified in paragraph (D)(2) of this rule; and the notice contained in the CCR follows the content requirements under this rule; and the CCR is distributed following the delivery requirements in this rule.

Enclosed is a copy of the public notification that you need to issue and a verification form that is required to be sent to the SWDO of the Ohio EPA.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6085.

Sincerely,



Tya Darden
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosure

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DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Lead and Copper Monitoring requirements were not met for *Garden Acres Water Company*

We are required to monitor your drinking water for lead and copper on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During June – September, 2008, we did not monitor for lead and copper and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

This notice is to inform you that Garden Acres Water Company did not monitor and report results for the presence of lead and copper in the public drinking water system during the June-September 2008 time period, as required by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. There is nothing you need to do at this time.

Upon being notified of this violation, the water supply was required to have the drinking water analyzed for the above mentioned parameters. The water supplier will take steps to ensure that adequate monitoring will be performed in the future.

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

PWSID# OH1202412	Date Distributed:
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PUBLIC NOTICE INSTRUCTIONS AND VERIFICATION FORM FOR COMMUNITY PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS WITH TIER 3 VIOLATIONS

The owner or operator of a community public water system with a Tier 3 violation or situation shall notify the persons served by the public water system as soon as practical but **no later than one year** after the system learns of the violation. At a minimum, community public water systems must issue the notice by **mail or other direct delivery**. Public notice issued by methods other than posting shall be repeated annually as long as the violation or situation persists.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE PUBLIC WAS NOTIFIED BY THE FOLLOWING METHOD(S) INDICATED BELOW, AS DESCRIBED IN THE OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RULE 3745-81-32:

Required Method of Public Notification	Actual Method of Public Notification
<p>Use the following method to reach all persons served by the public water system:</p> <p>Public notice issued by mail or other direct delivery to each customer receiving a bill and to other service connections to which water is delivered by the public water system. The consumer confidence report delivered to customers by July 1 of each year may be used as long as the public notice includes all the required content and is delivered within the required timeframe.</p>	<p>Describe actual methods used to notify public of the violation:</p> <p>A. Date of mailing/delivery _____</p>
<p>If the above method does not reach all persons served, also use any other method reasonably calculated to reach other persons regularly served by the public water system (e.g. publication in a local newspaper, delivery of multiple copies for distribution by customers that provide their drinking water to others, posting in public places served by the system or on the Internet, or delivery to community organizations). If the notice is posted, it shall remain in place as long as the violation exists, but in no case less than 7 days.</p>	<p>A. Method(s) _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>B. Date(s) _____</p> <p>_____</p>

Please check if the public notice used was provided by Ohio EPA (other side of this form) or another acceptable notice was used:

_____ A public notice as shown on the other side of this sheet was issued without changes.

_____ A different public notice was issued. **INCLUDE A COPY OF THE PUBLIC NOTICE.**

Signature of Responsible Person Date

Printed Name and Title of Responsible Person

Garden Acres Water Company
OH1202412
Clark County
June-September, 2008
Lead and Copper Monitoring Violation

<p>For Ohio EPA use only: Date PN received: _____ PN acceptable: _____ PN not acceptable: _____</p>
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