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**Environmental
Protection Agency**

Paul J. DeFendis, Governor
Paul A. Fisher, Lt. Governor
Chris Horvath, Director

NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

September 28, 2010

RE: Darke County
Grace Methodist Church Worship Center
Non-Transient Non-Community
PWS ID: OH1943812

Duane Campbell
7349 St. Rt. 571
Greenville, OH 45331

**Subject: Violation of Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
During September 2010 (Monthly)**

Grace Methodist Church Worship Center is in violation of the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Total Coliform established by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), Rule 3745-81-14. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful bacteria may be present.

ACTION REQUIRED:

1. **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").
2. **Notify the people served by this water system.** Within 30 days issue the enclosed public notice in accordance with OAC, Rule 3745-81-32 by the following method(s) to reach all persons served.
 - Posting in conspicuous locations, such as bulletin boards, restrooms, drinking fountains, vending areas;
 - Mail or other direct delivery to each customer;
 - Send to parents or guardians of children at schools or day care facilities E-mail, newsletters or newspaper;
 - Posted notices must remain in place for as long as the violation exists, but in no case for less than seven 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.
3. **Complete the enclosed verification form within 10 days of issuing the Public Notice** and mail it to Ohio EPA - SWDO. Include a copy of each notice distributed, published or posted.

Southwest District Office
401 East Fifth Street
Dayton, OH 45402-2911

937 | 285 6357
937 | 285 6249 (fax)
www.epa.ohio.gov

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- 4. 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 contact me at 937-285-6476 or Dave Secor at 937-285-6114.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Moore
Environmental Specialist

Enclosures: Tier 2 Public Notification
Public Notice Instructions and Verification Form

cc: Darke County Health Department
Information Management Section, DDAGW, CO

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DRINKING WATER NOTICE

#1

Posting

From: 7-28-10

To: 10-13-10

Tests show coliform bacteria in Grace Methodist Church Worship Center water

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took 9 [number] samples for coliform bacteria during July [month and year], 2010 [Number/percentage] of those samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. No more than [1 sample per month/ 5 percent of our samples] may show the presence of coliform bacteria during a month.

What should I do?

- You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly people may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.
- Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's treatment or distribution system.
- Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems. Fecal coliform or E. coli, which are bacteria of greater concern, were not detected in the water.

What is being done?

We are still detecting coliform bacteria. We are investigating and taking the necessary steps to correct the problem as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Duane Campbell at 937-459-9004
name of contact phone number
or at N/A
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 (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.

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Enclosed you will see two Drinking Water Notices. I have them labeled as one and two, and at the top right hand corner of the notices I have the post dates - from and to. On both notices the posting locations where the same. They are at all sinks, drinking fountains, a bulletin board in the basement, and all entrance ways. On the current drinking water notice posted on October 13, 2010 extra copies were made and given to the preschool teachers there at Rainbow Preschool (they use the basement in the church) said they would pass them out to the parents and legal guardians of the preschool students.

If you have any questions please contact me at 937-564-1945

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Jackson".

Doug Jackson