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Re: Allen County
Lake Cody
T Non-Community Water System
PWS ID #0232212

July 6, 2007

OH0232212 LAKE CODY

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Ms. Beth Miller-Spradlin
5775 Ottawa Road
Elida, OH 45807



Subject: Notice of Violation of Monthly Maximum Contaminant Level for Total Coliform Bacteria

Your public water system incurred a **monthly** violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), Rule 3745-81-14 during April-June 2007 due to the following results:

Sample Date	Sample Tap	Total Coliform	E. Coli	Fecal Coliform	Sample Number	Lab Cert Number
6-27-07	Lot 7	Positive	Negative	-	11990	833
7-3-07	Lot 1	Positive	Negative	-	12042	833
7-3-07	Lot 14	Positive	Negative	-	12043	833
7-3-07	Lot 7	Positive	Negative	-	12044	833
7-3-07	10	Positive	Negative	-	12045	833

A monthly violation of OAC, Rule 3745-81-14 occurs when more than one of your samples within the month are total coliform-positive.

Actions required as a result of the above violation	
Step 1	Within 30 days issue the attached public notice of the violation in accordance with OAC, Rule 3745-81-32 by the following method(s) to reach all persons served by the public water system: Posting in conspicuous locations (restrooms, drinking fountains, vending areas, restaurants, bulletin boards, etc.).
Step 2	Immediately initiate an investigation to determine and eliminate the cause and extent of bacterial contamination.
Step 3	Within 10 days of completing Step 1, fill out the attached verification form and send it along with a copy of the public notification issued to the Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office.

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Step 4	You are required to monitor with at least five (5) samples in the next month following any total coliform-positive result. You must take at least five (5) total coliform samples in July and August, 2007. You need to collect one more sample this month.
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If you have any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3101.

Sincerely,



Ben Smith
Environmental Scientist
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

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Enclosures

pc: Toni Buchanan, DDAGW, CO
Allen County Health Department
DDAGW-NWDO File

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Tests show coliform bacteria in Lake Cody water

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took five samples for coliform bacteria during April-June 2007. Five of those samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. No more than one sample per month of our samples may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

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 systems.
- *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 _____ at _____ or _____.
name of contact phone number 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.

PWS ID# 232212

Date distributed: _____

**PUBLIC NOTICE INSTRUCTIONS AND VERIFICATION FORM FOR
NONCOMMUNITY PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS WITH TIER 2 VIOLATIONS**

The owner or operator of a community public water system with a Tier 2 violation or situation shall notify the persons served by the public water system as soon as practical but **no later than 30 days** after the system learns of the violation. Public notice shall be repeated every 3 months 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 one or more of the following methods to reach all persons served by the public water system:</p> <p>1. Public notice issued by posting in conspicuous locations throughout the distribution system (required to remain posted for as long as the violation exists, but in no case less than 7 days)</p> <p>2. Public notice issued by mail or other direct delivery to each customer and service connection (where known).</p>	<p>1A. Dates of posting _____</p> <p>1B. Locations of posting _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>2A. Date of mailing/delivery _____</p>
<p>If the above methods do not reach all persons served, also use any other method reasonably calculated to reach other persons served by the system (e.g. publication in a local newspaper or newsletter, use of e-mail to notify employees or students, or delivery of multiple copies to central locations)</p>	<p>A. Method(s) _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>B. Date(s) _____</p>

Please check if the public notice used was provided by Ohio EPA 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 Official Date

Printed Name and Title of Responsible Official

Lake Cody
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM
PWSID NUMBER: 232212

COUNTY NAME: Allen

<p>For Ohio EPA use only</p> <p>Date PN Received: _____</p> <p>PN acceptable: PN not acceptable:</p>	<p>VIOLATION TYPE: <u>22</u></p> <p>MONITORING PERIOD <u>April-June 2007</u></p>
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