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OH2867912 GEAUGA PARKS HEADWATERS

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**NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED**

August 1, 2011

RE: GEAUGA COUNTY  
GEAUGA PARKS HEADWATERS  
NON-COMMUNITY, TRANSIENT  
PWS ID: #OH2867912

Mr. Joe Slepko  
Geauga Park District  
9160 Robinson Road  
Chardon, OH 44024

**Subject: Violation of Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)  
During July-September 2011**

Dear Mr. Slepko:

Geauga Parks Headwaters 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 - NEDO. Include a copy of each notice distributed, published or posted.

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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, contact me at 330-963-1149.

Sincerely,



Kathy Metropulos  
Environmental Specialist  
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

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

cc: Geauga County Health Department  
Information Management Section, Ohio EPA, DDAGW, CO  
District File Copy