Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
John R. Kasich, Governor
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December 12, 2012

NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

Courtney Cooper
Big Prairie Water Co.
P.O. Box 115,
Big Prairie, OH 44611

Holmes County
Big Prairie Water Co.
Community PWS
PWS ID: OH3800112
Facility ID: DS1

Subject: Failure to Sample Drinking Water for Lead and Copper at Taps

Big Prairie Water Co. is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Rule (OAC) 3745-81-86 for failing to comply with the lead and copper tap water monitoring requirements.

Monitoring Period:	Three Year (2010-2012)
Population:	200
Number of Sample Sites Required:	5
Number of Sample Sites Submitted:	0

ACTION REQUIRED:

7. **Notify the people served by this water system** as soon as practical, but no later than one year after learning of the violation, using one or more of the methods listed below to reach all persons served as required by OAC Rule 3745-81-32.

   Methods:
   - Mail or other direct delivery to each customer; or
   - Annual Consumer Confidence Report provided it's distribution is within one year after learning of the violation; and
   - If necessary to reach all persons regularly served, use other notification methods such as newspaper publication, public posting or internet posting.

   Do not make changes to the public notice without first consulting with the Ohio EPA.

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Columbus, OH 43216-1049

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8. **Complete the enclosed Verification Form within 10 days of issuing the Public Notice** and mail it to this office at Ohio EPA, DDAGW-Central Office, PO Box 1049, Columbus, OH 43216-1049. Include a copy of each notice type distributed, published or posted.

9. **To return to compliance for lead and copper tap monitoring,** monitor according to your next issued Contaminant Monitoring Distribution Point Schedule.

If lead and copper samples were collected as required, contact your laboratory to have sample results submitted and submit EPA Form 5105 with appendix to this office as soon as possible. EPA Form 5105 with appendix and the instructions for filling out this form are available at: http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/reporting.aspx.

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Continued noncompliance may lead to enforcement actions. If you have any questions please call me at (614) 644-2752.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Baughman
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

Enclosures: Tier 3: Monitoring Violation Public Notice
Public Notice Instructions & Verification Form

cc: Holmes Public Health Department

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Monitoring requirements not met for Big Prairie Water Co.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the Three Year (2010-2012) *time period we did not monitor for the following contaminants and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time:* **Lead and Copper**

What Should I Do?

This notice is to inform you that Big Prairie Water Co. did not monitor and report results for the presence of the contaminants listed above in the public drinking water system during the Three Year (2010-2012) time period, as required by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. You do not need to take any actions in response to this notice.

What Is Being Done?

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.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Big Prairie Water Co. at:

Contact Person: _____.

Phone Number: _____.

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: OH3800112 Facility ID: DS1

Date Distributed: _____

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 other methods 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 OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RULE 3745-81-32:

Required Method of Public Notification	Actual Method of Public Notification
Use one or more of the following methods to reach all persons served by the public water system: 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 (CCR) 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.*	**Describe actual methods used to notify public of the violation:** Date of mailing/delivery _____ *Please check if public notice was included in the yearly CCR* _____
If the above methods do 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 or newsletter, delivery of multiple copies for distribution by customers that provide their drinking water to others, posting in public places served by the system, use of e-mail or the Internet to notify employees or students, or delivery 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.*	A. Method(s) _____ _____ _____ B. Date(s) _____

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

PWS NAME: Big Prairie Water Co.
PWSID: OH3800112
Facility ID: DS1
COUNTY: Holmes
FOLLOW-UP OR ROUTINE TAP M/R (LCR)
Three Year (2010-2012); Vio Id 8274815

For Ohio EPA Use Only:
Date PN received: _____
PN acceptable: _____ PN not acceptable: _____.

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