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NOTICE OF VIOLATION – ACTION REQUIRED

Mr. Kevin Mcintyre
Village of Felicity
P. O. Box 613
Felicity, Ohio 45120

RE: FELICITY VILLAGE
CLERMONT COUNTY
COMMUNITY PWS
PWS ID: OH1300612

Subject: Violation of Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) During August 2013 (Monthly)

Dear Public Water System Operator:

The village of Felicity 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.

   - Mail or other direct delivery to each customer;
   - If necessary to reach all persons regularly served, use other notification methods also, such as newspaper publication, public posting or Internet posting;
   - 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.

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) 285-6844.

Sincerely,

Dan Stem for Dan Cloyd

Dan Cloyd
Environmental Specialist
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

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

ec: Clermont County Health Department

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PUBLIC NOTICE - DRINKING WATER WARNING

Tests showed coliform bacteria in Felicity Village water

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took _____ *[number]* samples for coliform bacteria during _____ *[month and year]*. _____ *[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 follow-up testing.*

What is being done?

Further testing shows that **coliform bacteria are no longer being detected** and this problem has been resolved.

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

or at _____.
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: OH1300612	Date this public notice was distributed:

Tier 2: Resolved Total Coliform Monthly MCL Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE INSTRUCTIONS AND VERIFICATION FORM FOR COMMUNITY 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
Use the following method 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.	**Describe actual methods used to notify public of the violation:** A. Date of mailing/delivery _____
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.	A. Method(s) _____ _____ B. Date(s) _____

Please indicate below what public notice was used. INCLUDE A COPY OF THE PUBLIC NOTICE.

___ A public notice as provided was issued without changes.

___ A different public notice was issued **after consulting with Ohio EPA on** _____.

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Signature of Responsible Person Date

_____

Printed Name and Title of Responsible Person

Felicity Village
OH1300612
Clermont County
August 2013
Total Coliform Monthly MCL (Vio. Type 22)
Vio Id: 8197810

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