HOMEOWNER SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS
LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

Dear Homeowner:

Lead can enter your water from the pipes that bring the water to your home (i.e., your service line), and from faucets and fixtures inside your home. Lead cannot be seen, smelled or tasted, so testing is the only way to tell if there's lead in the water. This test is being offered at no cost to you from your water supplier and NHDES to evaluate your piping and reduce any potential exposure to lead. Please follow these instructions and coordinate sample delivery or pickup with the water system contact below.

SAMPLING PROCEDURE

1. Tape off the COLD faucet at your Kitchen Sink the night before to allow the water to sit in the pipes all night. This is done to simulate a worst case condition for leaching of lead.
2. Return FIRST thing in the morning to collect the sample.
3. Fill in your Name, Address, sample date and time on the sample bottle label.
4. Fill in the Chain of Custody Sample form provided with your sample bottle.
5. Do not flush the water line.
6. Do not remove the faucet screen or aerator.
7. Fill the sample bottle from the cold water up to the neck of the bottle.
8. Close the bottle cap tightly and place in the refrigerator until ready for pickup.
9. Contact your water representative for sample pickup and with any questions at:

PWS CONTACT NAME, PHONE, EMAIL

HOMEOWNER NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

DATE / TIME SAMPLE COLLECTED: _____