



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 8

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November 29, 2022

Ref: 8WD-SDB

SENT VIA EMAIL

Mr. Jon Winter, Director of Public Works
Town of Saratoga
P.O. Box 486 (110 East Spring Avenue)
Saratoga, Wyoming 82331
dpw@saratogawyo.org

Re: Notice of Noncompliance
Lead and Copper Rule
Failure to Monitor
PWS ID# WY5600061 C

Dear Mr. Winter:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Town of Saratoga Public Water System (System) has failed to conduct the required monitoring of ten lead and copper tap water samples. Samples were required to be collected between June 1 and September 30, 2022 according to 40 C.F.R. § 141 Subpart I of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWR).

This is a violation of the NPDWR. If not already done, please take the following actions:

- (1) Collect a set of ten lead and copper tap water samples between June 1 and September 30, 2023. Monitor early in the monitoring period once it has begun. Samples must be collected from locations in accordance with the tiering criteria set forth in 40 C.F.R. §141.86(a) of the Lead and Copper Rule.
- (2) Report sampling results to our office as soon as you receive them from the lab.
- (3) Public notification (PN) is required within one year of the violation or by September 30, 2023. You may use the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) as your sole PN delivery method if the CCR will be delivered prior to September 30, 2023. From the enclosure, include the mandatory language in *italics* and any other information that is not already included in your CCR. Otherwise, you must deliver a separate PN with your water bill or other mailing or direct delivery by hand. When a separate PN is used, it must still be included in your next available CCR. Enclosed is a copy of the PN form. You may also create your own PN using the EPA Microsoft Word templates available at: <https://www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/public-notification-templates-community-and-non-transient-non-community-water-systems>.

- (4) Provide our office with a copy of your public notice and certification within 10 days of completion. A copy of the PN certification form is also enclosed.

Please send the CCR/public notice and sample results to our office using one of the methods listed below. Include your PWS name and PWS ID# on all correspondence.

Email: R8DWU@epa.gov

Fax: 1- (877) 876-9101

Mail: Refer to the address at the top of this letter. Please use Mail Code 8WD-SDB on the envelope.

You should be aware that repeated violations of the NPDWR may result in formal enforcement action taken against your water system. If formal enforcement action were to be necessary, the Safe Drinking Water Act provides for civil judicial penalties of up to \$62,689 per day of violation. We prefer to resolve problems before such formal enforcement is necessary, and we ask for your cooperation to rectify them quickly and effectively.

If you have questions, please contact the Lead and Copper Rule Manager, Chelsea Ransom, toll-free at 1- (800) 227-8917 extension 312-6876, directly at (303) 312-6876, or by email at ransom.chelsea@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

**LISA
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Lisa Kahn

Supervisor, Drinking Water Section B
Water Division

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LISA KAHN
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Enclosures:

Public Notice Form

Public Notice Certification Form

cc:

John Zeiger, Mayor
Saratoga, Town Of
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Mr. Chuck McVey, Water & Ww Foreman
Town of Saratoga
cmcvey@saratogawyo.org

Ms. Suzie Cox, Town Clerk
Town of Saratoga
suzie@saratogawyo.org

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Monitoring Requirements Not Met for _____
Name of Public Water System

Our water system failed to monitor for lead and copper samples at the tap. These samples are routine samples, and there was no emergency. However, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

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 your drinking water meets health based standards. During the June 1 to September 30, 2022 monitoring period, we did not monitor or test for the required ten lead and copper tap water samples, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

What is being done? _____

For more information, please contact _____ at _____
Name of PWS responsible party Phone

or _____
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.

This notice is being sent to you by _____
Name of Public Water System

State Water System ID#: _____ Date Distributed: _____

Certification of Public Notification

I _____ certify that the attached public notification was issued
(PWS Operator/Responsible Party)

From _____ to _____
(Date) (Date)

The attached notice was issued by _____
(Method of delivery)

Signature _____ Date _____