

PUBLIC NOTICE INSTRUCTIONS AND VERIFICATION FORM FOR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS WITH TIER 3 VIOLATIONS

The owner or operator of a 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** from notification of the federal violation as stated in the warning letter. At a minimum, 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 40 CFR Subpart Q §141.205:

Required Method of Public Notification	Actual Method of Public Notification
COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS – 1. 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. Methods: Broadcast media, social media, hand delivery, electronic mail delivery, CCR, other approved Ohio EPA methods. 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.	A. Date of mailing/delivery: _____ B. Direct delivery method: <u>SOCIAL MEDIA + CITY WEBSITE</u> <u>10-28-25</u>
NONCOMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS – Use one or more of the following: 3. Public notice issued by posting in conspicuous locations throughout the distribution system (required to remain posted for as long as the violation exists, but in no case less than 7 days). 4. Public notice issued by mail or other direct delivery to each customer and service connection (where known).	Describe actual methods used: 1. Dates of posting: _____ 2.B. Locations of posting: _____ _____ 2. Date of mailing/delivery: _____
Schools and Day-Care Facilities must notify parents or guardians of children being served by methods <u>in addition to</u> posting, such as a newsletter, e-mail notice, or direct mailing	A. Method(s): _____ B. Date(s): _____
ALL SYSTEMS – If the above methods do not reach all persons served, also use any other method calculated to reach other persons served by the system (e.g. publication in a local newspaper or newsletter, use of e-mail to notify employees or students, or delivery of multiple copies to central locations).	A. Method(s): _____ B. Date(s): _____

☒ Check box if an example of the public notice issued is attached.

Adam Gorgwer 10-28-2025
Signature of Responsible Person Date

Adam Gorgwer SERVICE SAFETY DIR
Printed Name and Title of Responsible Person

PWS NAME: Ontario City

PWS ID: OH7003512

TYPE 4H Inventory Notice M/R

For Ohio EPA Use Only:

Date PN received: _____



City of Ontario

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Reporting Requirement(s) Not Met for Ontario City

We were required to report a copy of the notice and materials sent to persons served by known or potential service lines containing lead to the State.

Our system failed to demonstrate to the State that it delivered annual notifications and information to affected consumers with lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or lead status unknown service lines as required by July 1, 2025. Although the failure to comply with the reporting requirement does not create a risk to public health, we are required to inform you of this violation and provide additional information including what we did to correct the situation.

It is important for consumers to know if the water they are receiving has been delivered through a lead, galvanized requiring replacement (GRR), or lead status unknown service line so they can make decisions on whether and what actions to take to reduce their exposure to lead in drinking water.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. Remember, boiling water does not remove lead from water.

For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit the EPA's websites at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water> and <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

What is being done?

While we did not certify and notify the State as quickly as we should have, we provided the required notifications to persons served, as well as the missing information to the State on 8/5/25 and 10/28/25. We are no longer in violation.

For more information, please contact Tim Rietschlin at 419-529-3846 or 555 Stumbo Rd, Ontario, Ohio 44906.

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 Ontario City. Public Water System ID# OH7003512.
Date distributed: 10/28/2025.

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