



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

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June 21, 2005

Re: Wayne County  
Lehman Hardware & Appliances  
Transient, Non-Community  
PWSID: 8560612

Mr. Jay Lehman  
Lehman Hardware & Appliances, Inc.  
4779 Kidron Rd.  
Kidron, Ohio 44636

Dear Mr. Lehman:

Lehman Hardware & Appliances' public water system has violated Ohio's safe drinking water laws. Lehman Hardware & Appliances failed to conduct routine total coliform bacteria monitoring, failed to conduct repeat total coliform bacteria monitoring, and failed to issue public notices for these violations.

**Owners or operators of public water systems that fail to comply with Ohio's safe drinking water laws and regulations are subject to civil penalties of up to \$25,000 per day per violation under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 6109.33.**

To resolve your drinking water violations and avoid possible legal action and civil penalties:

- 1) Monitor for total coliform bacteria with a minimum of one routine sample per calendar quarter (or a minimum of five samples per month, if total coliform was detected the month prior) from the distribution system and perform any required repeat monitoring, in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-81-21.
- 2) Immediately comply with the maximum contaminant level requirements for total coliform bacteria, in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-14.
- 3) Collect one special purpose raw water total coliform bacteria sample monthly for six consecutive months starting no later than June 30, 2005.
- 4) By <sup>Ⓛ</sup> ~~June 30~~ <sup>JULY 29</sup>, 2005, post public notices for past total coliform monitoring violations for at least fourteen (14) days and submit copies of the public notices and verification forms to Ohio EPA, Northeast District Office (NEDO), Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW), in accordance with OAC Rule 3745-81-32.

Bob Taft, Governor  
Bruce Johnson, Lieutenant Governor  
Joseph P. Koncelik, Director

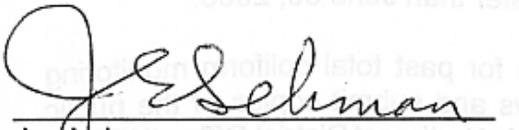
- 5) By <sup>① JULY 29</sup> ~~June 30~~, 2005, submit a written report of the findings and recommendations from the **registered** well driller that conducted the April and May 2005 well investigations on the well components and well casing to Ohio EPA, NEDO, DDAGW. By <sup>② AUGUST 31</sup> ~~July 31<sup>st</sup>~~ submit a plan with a time line to accomplish the finding and recommendations provided by the registered well driller. The tasks to be included in the plan must be completed by October 1, 2005.
- 6) By <sup>③ JULY 29</sup> ~~June 30~~, 2005, initiate an investigation, by hiring a **licensed** plumber, on the interior plumbing to determine possible causes of the bacteriological contamination. Within thirty days of initiating the investigation, submit a written report of the findings and recommendations on the distribution system, plans for any treatment equipment and a schematic of the entire distribution system including proposed corrections to dead end lines to Ohio EPA, NEDO, DDAGW. At the conclusion of the report include a plan of action with a time line to accomplish the findings and recommendations included in the report. The tasks to be included in the plan must be completed by October 1, 2005.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Baker, Chief  
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

If it is your intent to comply with the safe drinking water laws and regulations in the manner specified, please sign this document and return it to the attention of Lori Richmond at Ohio EPA, DDAGW, Lazarus Government Center, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, within fourteen (14) days. Your signature is not considered an admission of guilt, only an indication of your intention to address the violations noted. Ohio EPA reserves its right to seek civil penalties pursuant to Revised Code 6109.33 for the violations described in this letter. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please call Lori Richmond at (614) 644-2752.



Jay Lehman  
Lehman Hardware & Appliances, Inc.

Date 7/6/05