

Department of Public Works

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NOTIFICATION THAT YOUR SERVICE LINE MATERIAL IS UNKNOWN

Dear Water Customer:

Your drinking water service line material is unknown, but the City of Port Huron DPW is working toward identifying service line materials throughout the water supply. Because your service line material is unknown, there is the potential that some or all of the line could be made of lead or galvanized pipe that was previously connected to lead. People living in homes with a lead or galvanized pipe previously connected to lead service line have an increased risk of exposure to lead from their drinking water.

Why are you receiving this letter?

Lead can cause serious health and developmental problems, especially in developing fetuses and young children. If your home service line contains lead you are at an increased risk of lead exposure. This letter serves to notify you of this risk and provide information to help you reduce the risk of lead exposure.

What can I do to reduce my risk?

Review the tips below for steps you can take to reduce your exposure to lead in drinking water. In addition to your service line, other plumbing in your home may contain lead and could increase the levels of lead in your drinking water. These may include faucets, valves, and soldered joints. It is recommended that homeowners contact a licensed plumber and have a plumbing assessment done to determine if your in-home plumbing is a source of lead in your drinking water.

Please contact the Department of Public Works at phwaterservice@porthuron.org if you have questions regarding this letter.

Please visit Michigan.gov/MILeadSafe for more information about sources of lead and what you can do to reduce your exposure.

For additional information about your water system, or a copy of the City of Port Huron's Consumer Confidence Report, an annual report on what is in your drinking water, please contact the Department of Public Works at phwaterservice@porthuron.org or visit the website at www.porthuron.org.

Sincerely,

Eric C. Witter, P.E.
City Engineer / Director of Public Works

REDUCING POTENTIAL LEAD EXPOSURE FROM DRINKING WATER

Run your water before drinking.
Use cold water for drinking and cooking.
Clean your faucet aerator.
Consider replacing older plumbing fixtures that likely contain lead.

Do not boil water to remove lead.
Use cold water for preparing baby formula.
Consider using a water filter.
Flush your pipes after long periods of non-use.

Learn about your drinking water. For information about these tips and more, read your community's Consumer Confidence Report by visiting the City's website at www.porthuron.org. If you wish to have your drinking water tested, call the St. Clair County Health Department or use a certified lab. Visit Michigan.gov/MILeadSafe for more information about sources of lead and what you can do to reduce your exposure.