



Lead Service Line Replacement Information

The Village of Barrington prides itself on continually striving for excellence. The acceptable limit that was established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for lead is fifteen micrograms/liter (15 ug/l). We have tested our source water from all four of the Village's wells and representative samples throughout our distribution system. **No** lead has been detected within the Village's potable water system. Therefore, the Village water, as it leaves the water production plant and travels through our distribution system is acceptable and **totally safe to drink**. It is believed that lead levels above the acceptable limit in some private homes or other buildings comes from individual lead service lines or internal plumbing within these various structures.

Should your home be identified as having a possible lead service line, the portion of the line that is owned by the Village (from the water main to the shut off valve located in your yard) will be replaced at the same time the street is scheduled for rehabilitation. This portion of your lead service line will be replaced at **no cost to you**. You, the homeowner, would then be responsible for replacing the remaining portion of the lead service line (from the shut off valve into your house), **if you so choose at your expense**.

Prior to this replacement taking place, the Village will need to collect a water sample and have it tested for the lead concentration in your water. The sample will be sent to a State certified lab for lead analysis. The results of this test will then be sent to you by mail (approximately four weeks). **There is no cost to you (the resident) for this test.**

Please note: The replacement of the service line that you own is not a requirement, but it is strongly recommended.

Once the portion of the line that is owned by the Village has been replaced, we will need to collect another water sample within three days after the replacement of your service line and test for the lead concentration (**again, at no cost to you**). Partial replacement can result in higher lead levels. Once an old service is disturbed, it is more likely that lead levels will increase. This increase may be for a short time or may be indefinite. The amount of time for the line to passivate depends upon the characteristics of the water, the individual service line and the effectiveness of the corrosion control treatment.

For your convenience, a list of qualified plumbers to perform this work has been provided for you. The cost to replace your service line will vary depending on the length of line from the shut off valve to your water meter. This does not include any restoration costs that may be incurred.

Courtesy List of Qualified Plumbers/Contractors:

- **Bartnick Construction**
29492 W. Roberts Rd., Island Lake, IL 60042
Jamie Bartnick
Phone: (847) 970-2261
- **Behm Enterprises**
2203 W. Lawn Ln., McHenry, IL 60050
Bob Behm
Phone: (815) 344-0197
- **Ernie Peterson Plumbing**
2421 N. Delany Rd., Waukegan, IL 60087
Ernie Peterson
Phone: (847) 224-4234
- **B & A Plumbing**
619 Estes Ave., Schaumburg, IL 60193
Bob Lewis
Phone: (847) 985-2444

Please contact the Village of Barrington Public Works Department at (847) 381-7903, Monday thru Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. if you have any questions about this information.