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Lead Service Line Identification, Inventories, and Replacement

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Lead and Copper Research



WRF - Lead and Copper Overview

Lead & Copper

Lead and copper in service lines and household plumbing are the primary drinking water corresion compounds of concern. Lead is a toxic metal that can be harmful to human health even at low exposure levels. Lead is persistent and can bioaccumulate in the body over time. Young children are particularly vulnerable to lead because the physical and behavioral effects of lead occur at lower exposure levels in children than in adults. A dose of lead that would have little effect on an adult can have a significant effect on a child. People who drink water containing copper in excess of 1.3 mg/L may experience short-term nausea, while long-term exposure can affect the liver and kidneys.

Lead is rarely found in source water and usually enters drinking water through corrosion of household plumbing. Lead at the tap can come from a variety of sources, including lead service lines, lead piping inside the home, lead-based solder, and brass components. The concentrations of lead and copper in water are regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Lead and Copper Rule.

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Related Topics

Water Duality Corrosion Pipes Distribution System Management

TOPIC OVERVIEW (POF)

Project #6686

Processes Controlling the Development of Effective Lead Corrosion Control with Orthophosphate

\$74,881 2019

Project Highlights

This project provides new scientific insights into the addition of orthophosphate for corrosion control that will enable efficient application of phosphate to control both dissolved and total lead concentrations in water. Laboratory-scale experiments were performed for two scenarios to further.

> View more details

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Lead and Copper Corrosion: An Overview of WRF Research

WRF has funded over 50 research projects related to lead and copper corresion valued at more than \$20 million. This state of the science document summarizes the objectives, general research approach, and major findings of this body of research, and offers a basic understanding of the issues surrounding distribution system corresion and the Lead and Copper Rule (LCR).

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WRF Lead Research since late 1980's



Lead and Copper Management Research Area: Started 2016

- 1. #4713 Full Lead Service Line Replacement Guidance
- 2. #4910 Evaluating Key Factors that Affect the Accumulation and Release of Lead from Galvanized Pipes
- 3. #5032 Analysis of Corrosion Control Treatment for Lead and Copper Control
- #5081 Guidance for using Pipe Loops to Inform Lead and Copper Corrosion Control Treatment Decisions

LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT COLLABORATIVE

Our goal is to accelerate voluntary LSL replacement in communities across the United States.

- Membership of 26 national organizations
- Replacement practices, preparing an inventory, communication resources, policies and more
- www.lslr-collaborative.org





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Evaluation of Lead Pipe Detection by Electrical Resistance Measurement WRF Project # 4698

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Goal: Identification of LSL

- Develop a simple, fast, easy to use instrument that answers the following questions:
 - Is Lead present: Yes or No?
 - What is the level of confidence of those answers?

Cost effective: no excavation of the service line needed



Content

1. Principle of Current Research

- 2. Testing: Laboratory / Field Tests
- 3. Conclusion/Future Work



Schematic Representation of Measurement



Principle of Current Research

Measurement of the electrical resistance of the water

distribution service line as:

Resistivity of Lead		Resistivity of Copper	
21.3 x 10 ⁻⁸ Ω·m	>>	1.71 x 10 ⁻⁸ Ω⋅m	



(With Cu: OD= 0.88"-ID= 0.78" and Pb: OD= 1.07"-ID= 0.84")

For Example:

20 feet long service line with 1 foot of lead pipe, will have an electrical resistance increase of at least:

 $0.22 \text{ m}\Omega$ (over 20% increase)

compared to an all copper service line



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Laboratory Tests - Resistivity

Measurement of resistivity of Cu, Pb, and Brass.

Metal	Measured Resistivity (Ω·m)	Theoretical Resistivity (Ω·m)
Copper	1.9 x 10 ⁻⁸	1.7 x 10 ⁻⁸
Lead	15 to 30 x 10 ⁻⁸	21.3 x 10 ⁻⁸
Brass	8.6 x 10 ⁻⁸	6 to 9 x 10 ⁻⁸

Measurements made on samples removed from the field.



Measurement

- 1- Curb Stop
- 2- Copper Pipe
- 3- Connection Cu-Pb
- 4- Lead Pipe



R: Electrical Resistance between A and B

 $R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4$

For R_2 and R_4 : $R_{Pipe} = \rho x L/S$

- With: ρ : Resistivity of the metal
 - L: Length of the Pipe
 - S: Cross-Section Area



 $S = 0.25\pi \times (OD^2 - ID^2)$



Parameters affecting the measurement

Feature	Effect on Measurements	Comments
Coupling	a- Cu-Cu: No effect b- Cu-Pb: Increase resistance	R ₁ < R ₂
Curb Stop	Increase the resistance	Function of curb stop design and location of measuring lead on curb stop.
Pipe conditions:		
1- Cleanliness	1- Important at measurement location	 Need good electrical contact at measurement location
2- Hole, defects	2- No effect	2- None
3- Dimension	3- Resistance decreases with cross-section	3- Estimated on the field
4- Length	increases. 4- Resistance increases with length increases.	4- Measured on the field
Water inside pipe	No effect	
Electrical grounding	No effect	

Field Tests Set-Up

Measurements made In Boston, MA, from curb stop to water meter.



- New tools were developed.
- Excavation at curb stop was needed at this time.

Field Tests - Results

Field Location	Pipe Length (Feet)	Calculated Resistance if all	Resistance Measured	Calculated Resistance if all	Nature of Pipe
(House)		Copper SL (mΩ)	(mΩ)	Lead SL (mΩ)	•
A(1)	7	0.34	70.5	1.6	Lead
A(2)	5	0.24	0.24	1.2	Copper
B(1)	27	1.3	8.2	6.2	Lead
C(1)	8	0.385	10.2	1.8	Lead
C(2)	8	0.385	0.59	1.8	Copper
D(1)	11	0.53	157.8*	2.5	Lead
D(2)	11	0.53	129.3*	2.5	Copper

(1) As found and (2) After line replacement

* Measurement made from top of valve

- Two measurements for Copper SL have similar values as theoretical values.
- All measurements for Lead SL are higher than or close to theoretical values
- Resistance measured for service line with Lead >> same service line with Copper.

Field Test - Conclusion

- Limited number of testing (6 locations 8 tests).
- In the field, except when measurement was made on top of valve, we could detect lead vs. copper.
- Curb Stop challenges:
 - Access
 - Cleaning of curb stop
 - Testing lead needs to adapt to different curb stop geometry and condition.





Example of Curb Stop Access in Boston, MA









Curb Stop at Location D





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Conclusion

- Once set-up, fast measurement: Less than 1 minute.
- Easy to use:

Two access points to the pipe are needed: Curb stop and next to water meter

- Proof of concept: Is lead present Yes or No?
 - Resistance Service Line with Lead >> Resistance
 Service Line with Copper
 - Detection of Lead confirmed for both lab tests and field tests.





Future Work

To achieve no excavation of the service line:

- Refine field testing lead to work in wide variety of field conditions.
- Improve cleaning techniques for the curb stop.

Additional testing on different couplings, valves, pipe materials, pipe dimensions, soil/structure interactions...

…to develop simulation-basedProbability of Detection (POD) algorithm.





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Lead Service Line Identification Techniques

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History of Lead

- Toxic & very abundant (38th)
- >70% larger cities using lead by 1900
 - Most LSLs installed before 1940



• 6 -10 million LSLs in use in the US

Lead Leaching & Health Effects

Sources:

- Lead or lead-lined pipes
- Lead-tin plumbing solder
- Lead-bearing brass valves and faucets.

Leaching:

- Age
- Material
- Workmanship
- Size of the pipe
- Water quality
- Degree of stagnation



Source: Aquasana, 2020

USEPA has a maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG) of zero for lead. Aspirational goal- No known safe level in drinking water

Challenges

LSL inventory incomplete, inaccurate, and/or undermanaged

Reasons include:

- Lack of resources
- Shared ownership between utility and customer
- Limited accessibility
- Neglect due to low failure rate of service line



Challenges

Risk elimination requires LSL identification and removal

- 6 and 10 million LSLs in active use in the US
- Estimated cost \$5,800 per service line
- US replacement of LSLs requires \$20-\$80 billion

Objectives

- Tools to quickly/directly identifying LSLs
- Screening to predict likely presence of LSLs
- Case studies of US based utilities

Direct Screening of LSLs

Physical inspection requires excavation but challenges of public/private ownership

What are desired features of detection technologies?

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Direct Methods

Potholing and vacuum excavation

- Safer, less disruptive & cheaper (<\$300 Vs. \$1500-\$2500)
- Multiple holes may be needed to capture partial replacements

Closed-circuit television (CCTV) Inspection

Rigid or flexible style for pipe inspection

- **External inspection:**
 - Challenges include locating or accessing (concealed with soil, debris, mud etc) the curb box.
- Internal inspection:
 - Challenges include ineffective inspection due to interior of the service line being coated with corrosion or scale deposits that conceal pipe surface





Scratch & Magnet

Quick, simple and effective way to determine pipe material

Magnet test

Magnet does not attach: Lead or copper present

Use scratch test to verify material

Scratch test

sharp metal object (key, coin etc) to scratch pipe. Lead suspected where:

- Metal scratches easily
- Reveals silver color with shiny luster
- Orange color indicates copper



Disclosures

- During real estate transactions to reveal 'defects' to prospective home buyers
 - Four states (CT, DE, NY, PA) required mandatory disclosure of lead pipes or fixtures
 - For example, Pennsylvania asks "Type of Plumbing", and the seller checks either copper, galvanized, lead, PVC, unknown, or other
 - Seven states (DC, IL, MI, NM, NC, SC, WI) required mandatory disclosure of pipe material, but lead unavailable as an option
Indirect Methods

Purpose to gather preponderance of evidence for LSLs

Utilities have various historical records that may help assess the likely presence of LSL. Potential sources include:

- Tap cards
- Plans
- Historic utility records
- Tax records
- Plumbing permits
- Major challenges include missing or inconsistent information

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Water Sampling

Monitoring for lead can yield indirect information on LSL in a premise plumbing system

Lead & Copper Rule regulations: First draw (1L) after an extended stagnation (min 6 hr) but with limitations:

- **Positive-** does not differentiate whether lead originates from an LSL, lead solder or leaded-brass fixtures elsewhere in the premise plumbing system
- **Negative-** does not necessarily mean no LSL present, if utility corrosion control practices are highly effective
- WQ profile
- Combine with geospatial analyses and machine learning to improve predicative capabilities

Summary

- LSLs identification is a significant challenge as no userfriendly direct identification options
 - Available options *in lieu* of excavation include: potholing, CCTV, scratch & magnet plus customer engagement at representative locations
- Indirect methods not 100% reliable. A multipronged approach required to improve accuracy of inventory
 - Supplemental data from routine inspections, main replacement or emergency response events

Summary

- Utilities should prioritize techniques that are most practical and effective for their unique circumstances
- Case studies showed commonly used approaches in descending order were:
 - Tap cards
 - Construction year
 - Physical inspections (potholing, CCTV, customers, scratch tests)
 - Water Quality Information
 - Mostly validation of drop in Pb levels

Recommendations

- Invest in digitizing tap card records and add to GIS systems to organize/manage LSL replacement program
- Where possible gather additional intelligence to validate presence of LSLs by:
 - Developing databases for various parameters
 - QA for data completeness and accuracy
 - GIS-based systems for spatial distribution
 - statistical and machine learning tools to aid decisions
- Knowledge sharing: Proactively communicate successes, failures, etc in conferences, trade & journal articles and webinars to help others



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Understanding the Proposed LCR Inventory and Replacement Requirements

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Overview of the Proposed LCR Revisions



- Improve public health protection via a proactive and holistic approach
- Require **earlier action to reduce risks** around lead in drinking water
- Improve transparency and communication to better protect children and families

Schedule

- Proposed revisions published November 13th, 2019
- Final rule expected by September 2020
- Some items must be complete within three years of final publication

Proposed Lead Service Line Inventory Requirements

- All systems must develop and maintain a publicly accessible inventory of lead service lines and service lines of unknown materials
 - May be a list, table or map w/ location identifier
 - Must include material for both utility- and customer-owned portions
 - Large systems (>100,000) must post on website
 - Submit to Primacy Agency by three years after final rule publication date
 - Update annually thereafter
- Must notify customers
 - Within 30 days of completion of the inventory
 - By mail or other method approved by primacy agency
 - Annually thereafter until customer no longer has a lead service line



Source: https://gcww.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index. html?id=0a170c268c694e46a8a4e394630df0bd

What is Considered A Lead Service Line Under the Proposed LCR?

Components Between Water Main and Interior Plumbing	Include in LSL Inventory	Counts as a Replacement	Requires Public Education when Disturbed	Include in Tier 1 Sample Pool
Lead pipe anywhere between gooseneck and interior plumbing	Yes	When all lead is removed	Yes	Yes
Unknown pipe material anywhere between gooseneck and interior plumbing	Yes	Where lead pipe is found and all lead is removed	Yes	No
Galvanized pipe if preceded by lead (pipe, gooseneck, etc.) at any time	Yes	When replaced along with any remaining preceding lead pipe	Yes	No
Lead gooseneck with non-lead pipe between gooseneck and interior plumbing	No	No*	Yes	No

*Must replace if utility-owned when encountered during planned or emergency work. Must offer to replace, but not pay, if customer-owned

What Information Can Be Used to Build An inventory?

Initial Inventory

- Water system records, such as distribution system maps and drawings, installation and maintenance records
- Plumbing codes or permits
- Tax records

Opportunities for Improvement

- During water main repair or replacement
- During meter reading or replacement
- In-home inspection, where possible, by customer or utility

Population Served	
Date of Last Revision Address	mm/dd/yoon.
	Street Number
	Apartment / Suite
	County
Date of Varie	ovare Postal Code
Time of Verification	Country mm/dd/yyyy
Sample Site ID Number Type of Structure	**2** **
Year Built	
Service Line Material (Customer Side)	
Service Line Materials	
Field Verified	- Milect File
Service Line Material (Customer Side) Photos Service Line Materials Service Line Location Field Verified	Solvering 1

Primacy agency may determine acceptable methods for identification

Proposed Lead Service Line Replacement Plan

- All systems with LSLs must develop a full LSLR plan that includes
 - LSLR goal rate, agreed upon by Primacy Agency
 - Procedures to conduct full replacements and to notify customer prior to replacement
 - Pitcher filter tracking and maintenance plan
 - Flushing procedures for service line and premise plumbing
 - Funding strategy
 - How the utility will pay for utility-portion
 - Not required to pay for customer-portion, though encourage utility to offer customer financial assistance (e.g., loan, grant, etc.)
- Submit to Primacy Agency <u>by three years</u> after final rule publication date

Additional Changes Around LSLR

- "Test outs" no longer allowed
- Partials allowed only during emergencies or customer is unwilling or unable as part of planned work
- Must replace utility-owned lead goosenecks, pigtails and connectors (or offer to replace if customer-owned) as encountered
- Must replace utility-owned portion within 45 days of learning of customer's replacement or intention to replace their-owned portion

System Actions During Replacements



Provide **education** around risks, mitigation, and flushing procedures to remove particulate lead



Provide **pitcher filter** and replacement cartridges for 3 months



Collect tap sample between 3 and 6 months after completion and provide results to consumer



Update inventory and Tier 1 sampling pool, if needed

When Is Full LSLR Required?



Service Line Disturbances and Responses



*Must be completed before the consumer's water is turned back on.

Select Comments on LSL Inventories and Replacement

Inventory should include *potable water service lines* only

Clarify definitions for galvanized, goosenecks, and disturbances

Recognize good faith efforts to engage and coordinate with customers

Simplify and consolidate outreach and education requirements

Focus on post-replacement flushing procedures



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Greater Cincinnati Water Works Lead Service Line Replacement

Inventory, Identification, and Replacement

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GCWW - Background

- Early 1900's Cincinnati's New Works
- Lead preferred material for water service lines
- 1927 Lead pipe usage discontinued in public ROW
- 1950's rapid expansion of water system outside of municipal boundaries
- 1990's LCR, GCWW enacted lead program
- Today GCWW provides water to:
 - >800 square miles,
 - >20 other municipal jurisdictions and numerous townships
 - >1.1 million people
 - ~240,000 accounts

GCWW - Background

- 2016 After news of Flint, lead issue front and center
- Desire to get customers more information
- GCWW created our Enhanced Lead Program
- Two-tiered approach
 - Enhanced education/outreach
 - Lead Service Line Replacement Program

Enhanced Lead Program - Outreach



LSL Records – Public Side Inventory

- Public side branch material originally kept with billing system data
- 2000 large effort to populate public side branch material into GIS
 - Billing system information
 - Branch number 101808
 - Watermain project inspection reports
 - ~16,000 public side LSLs

- Problem we did not have customer side material type in the GIS
- Solution (quickly) build a GIS inventory
- What did we know/what info did we have?
 - Branch #101808 transition from lead to copper
 - Watermain replacement project inspection records
 - Inspection reports of customer-initiated replacements
 - Work orders from CMMS for public side replacement

- Created and populated new attribute in GIS:
 - CUST_MAT_TYP
- Branch material assignment Rules
 - Branch numbers ≥ 102000 and ≤2": copper
 - Branch numbers < 102000:</p>
 - If public side branch contained comment indicating "customer renewed line": copper
 - Otherwise: lead
 - Review of available records
 - Customer initiated replacement inspection reports, CMMS, watermain replacement project inspection reports
- Did not override public side material
- ~44,000 private side LSLs

Result: Lead Look-Up Map

- GIS framework: ESRI Web AppBuilder
- Hosted: ESRI's Cloud Mapping solution (ArcGIS Online)
- Searchable map in ArcGIS Online available to the public



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Result: Neighborhood Maps



REPLACE YOUR LEAD SERVICE

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Lead Service Line Data for WALNUT HILLS

Public Side: Data as of 1/1/16 to Present

- Public Lead Service Lines: 873
- Public Lead Service Lines Replaced: 10
- Public Lead Service Lines Remaining: 863

Private Side: Data as of 1/1/16 to Present

- Private Lead Service Lines: 1568
- · Private Lead Service Lines Replaced: 13
- Private Lead Service Lines Remaining: 1555

Demographics: "Source: Department of City Planning Statistical Database

- Total Population: 6495
- Population Under 5: 513
- White %: 18
- · Black or African American %: 79
- · Total Hispanic or Latino Population %: 1
- Owner Occupied Percentage: 22
- Renter Occupied Percentage: 78
- Median Household Income \$: 19885
- · Poverty %: 37

Note: Lead Service Line data will be updated upon field verification.

Result: Metrics and Tracking



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- 2016 present
 - Much more attention paid to branch material
 - More fields added to GIS under CUST_MAT_TYP:
 - Public side renew date
 - Private side renew date



• 2016 – present

- Watermain project inspection enhancements
 - Electronic form on phone
 - Created with Microsoft Power Apps
 - Updated information is sent directly to GIS Editors
 - Available to the public the next day



• 2016 – present

- Customers encouraged to self-id



REPLACE YOUR LEAD SERVICE LINE HELP PROGRAM RESOURCES CONTACT US MY LEAD ACCOUNT

SELF IDENTIFICATION OF LEAD PIPES

Your private water service line in your basement could be made of three different materials depending on the age of your plumbing fixtures: lead (left), copper (middle), galvanized steel (right).



Please complete the form and select the material that the private portion of you service line is made from. Please upload a picture of your meter setting that we could use to help identify the pipe material. An example of a meter setting is shown below.



EMAIL	
RETURN PHONE NUMBER	
PROPERTY ADDRESS	
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Acceptable file formats for the optional file are: .jpeg, .jpg, .png, .gif, .bmp, .tiff

Enhanced Lead Program - LSLRP

- Ordinances:
 - Declared lead lines as public health/safety risk
 - Declared private LSL replacement costs as a public purpose
 - Prohibits Lead Service Lines (enforcement grace period)
 - Require replacement on repair and disturbance

Enhanced Lead Program - LSLRP



Enhanced Lead Program - LSLRP

• Example:

\$5000 replacement cost - \$1500 Cost Share

\$3500 balance

Customer elects to pay back over 10 years \$3500/(10 years x 2 semiannual payments/year) = \$175 added as **Special Assessment** to semiannual tax bill



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States' Perspective on Inventories And Replacement Plans

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Good Times...



Presentation Outline

- ASDWA's 2019 White Paper on Inventories
- ASDWA's comments on EPA's Proposed Lead and Copper Rule Revisions
 - Inventories
- Development of second White Paper
 - Focus on data

White Paper Development

Over the Summer of 2019 ASDWA worked to compile State Drinking Water Program efforts around Lead Service Line (LSL) Inventories. The white paper was used by EPA to help inform the proposed LCRR and is intended to be used by State Drinking Water Primacy Agencies to develop interim LSL inventory strategies.



Three Approaches Used by States

States operate under diverse circumstances and therefore have taken different approaches to updating water system materials evaluations under the LCR and/or building LSL inventories.





Updated Service Line Materials Evaluation

In response to a February 2016 EPA memo, four states [Alabama, Louisiana, Kansas, and Texas] asked Community Water Systems to submit updates to their service line materials evaluation required under Lead and Copper Rule

Voluntary Surveys for LSLs

Several states, including Indiana, Massachusetts, North Carolina, and Washington, conducted voluntary surveys of Community Water Systems' service line materials estimates. Some states published this data online.



Mandatory LSL Inventories

Four states [California, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin] now require CWSs to provide summaries of their service line materials. All four states use a website to streamline the process and have integrated reporting into their annual reporting system. Ohio has a limited mandatory map approach, not included in ASDWA white paper

Mandatory LSL Inventories

Comparison of states with mandatory LSL Inventory requirements

CA	MI	IL	WI	OH*
State Legislation	Revised Rule	State Legislation	Revised Rule	State Legislation
2018	2020	2018	2004/2018 (extended to private- side)	2016
<u>Materials reported</u> LSLs, lead fittings, GSL, copper, ductile iron, plastics, AC, unknowns	<u>Materials reported</u> LSLs, GSLs, unknowns (likely pb, unlikely pb)	<u>Materials reported</u> LSLs, GSLs, copper (lead/non-lead solder), ductile iron (cast), broad plastic, AC, unknown & unknown not lead	<u>Materials reported</u> LSLs, GSLs, copper, steel, cast iron (by age & lined/unlined), some plastics, AC and concrete	<u>Materials reported</u> LSLs – no number, just map
Data available online	Data available online	Data available online	Data available online	Data available online

Service Line Materials by Category Based on Preliminary Distribution System Materials Inventories (PDSMI)

<u>Data set incomplete</u>. Chart will be updated as additional PDSMI data is reviewed. Check back periodically for updated information. <u>Last updated 3/2/2020.</u>



https://www.michigan.gov/documents/egle/egle-dwehd-PDSMISummaryData 682673 7.pdf

Inventories Are Not Simple...



General Recommendations for Developing LSL Inventories



Online Accessibility

Enable CWSs to submit information through an online portal and have data submitted publicly available via online platform.



Report Public and Private Service Lines

Identify materials of the entire service line and include who owns which portions of the service line, the utility or the customer, and the legal basis for that determination.

Address Uncertainty

Provide a means to address uncertainty of service line material via quantitative or qualitative probability due to the great deal of uncertainty for many water systems about the number and/or location of lead service lines.

Gooseneo

Clarify Components like Lead Goosenecks

Provide details on how to account for and capture lead components of a service line in the inventory efforts due to the numerous service line configurations that may involve some lead components, such as partial lead service lines, pigtails, goosenecks, and solder.

Use Existing Reporting Mechanisms

The state should consider modifying the existing reporting requirement to include counts of service lines grouped by each type of material commonly used.

Additional Considerations

State Resources

- Developing/implementing
 LSL inventory will be a resource intensive project
- Reporting and providing data through an online portal/website may pose significant barriers to some states, particularly when IT services are centralized
- Voluntary survey may be the most attainable option

for some states

Preliminary vs Comprehensive Inventories

Preliminary inventory report
 followed by a comprehensive
 inventory report later
 The comprehensive report
 would generally expect that
 service lines of unknown
 material included in a
 preliminary report would be
 estimated as containing or
 not containing lead

Annual vs Bi- or Tri-Annual Reporting

 Initial submission date with an annual update to the inventory is ideal

- May not be practical for every state
- Balancing state resources with the large quantities of data from inventory reporting may mean reducing the updates to a bi- or tri-annual basis.

Access ASDWA White Paper

asdwa.org/asdwa-reports/ White Paper August 2019 Association of State Drinking Water Administrators **Developing Lead Service Line Inventories** Presented by the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators Summary: Many state drinking water administrators are considering developing inventories of the materials used in service lines that are part of the distribution systems of community water systems (CWSs) they regulate. Some states have already conducted voluntary or mandatory surveys of CWSs whether on their own or in response to state legislation. Others are preparing to use the information in the next round of Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey and Assessments (DWINSA) that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is developing pursuant to Section 2015 of the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018. The 2020 DWINSA will include an estimate of the number of public and private lead service lines as well as an estimate of the costs to replace all lead service lines, which will be a significant undertaking for water systems to develop and states to collect information on. To assist states that are considering initiating a lead service line (LSL) inventory, the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA) has developed the following guidance based on the experience of the states that have already conducted or are preparing to develop a comprehensive inventory of service line materials. It is important to note that not all of these recommendations may be feasible for a state to carry out during development and implementation of a state LSL inventory, however ASDWA advises states consider the following elements when designing a LSL inventory. Additionally, there are numerous service line configurations that may involve some lead components, such as partial lead service lines, pigtails, etc. Similarly, guidance should be provided about how to account for and capture lead service line components in the inventory efforts. Background: In 2016, the American Water Works Association published the results of a survey it conducted in 2013 of CWSs. The report estimated the number of LSLs in each state grouped by size of CWS. In response to a February 2016 letter from EPA, several states (IN, MA, NC, and WA) conducted voluntary surveys of CWSs and some others requested that CWSs submit or update their service line materials required under Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) (AL, LA, KS, and TX). Two states (CA and OH) required CWSs to submit maps showing where LSLs are likely to be located. Currently, four states (CA, IL, MI, and WI) require CWSs to provide summaries of their service line materials. See Table 2 for details of the materials included in their reporting. All four states use a website to streamline the process and have integrated reporting into their annual reporting system. • The Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) has been the leader in requiring reporting for the portion of the service line owned by regulated CWSs since 2004. As part of its annual report, each CWS must report through an online portal the number of service lines for each material

EPA's Lead & Copper Rule Revisions

- ASDWA developed substantive comments on inventories, based on EPA's proposal
 - Inventories should be developed for all service lines
 - Or "demonstrate absence of lead service lines (LSLs)"
 - Inventories should include both public and private sides
 - Knowledge about service line inventories will evolve
 - Not realistic to get the inventory 100% correct the first time
 - But don't "let the perfect get in the way of the good"
 - Any unknowns in the inventory count as LSLs
 - In the context of the LSL replacement plans

ASDWA's LCRR Comments (cont.)

- Lead service line (LSL) replacement plans
 - Clarify the LSL definition for galvanized service lines and for goosenecks and pigtails
 - Include unknown service lines as LSLs.
 - Replace a minimum of 10% every three years for any system with LSLs
 - All LSLs will be replaced in 30 years
 - Replace a minimum of 20% every three years for systems with a 90th percentile greater than the lead action level (AL) of 15 μg/L
 - All LSLs will be replaced in 15 years

Transactions for Inventories/Plans

- Tracking and reviewing inventories and replacement plans will be a significant effort for primacy agencies
 - Approx. 1,000,000 staff
 hours to review
 inventories and
 replacement plans in the
 first five years of LCRR



Ongoing Activity

- Developing a second white paper about data
- Five elements
 - 1. How to use historical records
 - 2. Representative randomized sample of service lines
 - 3. Transparency public communications
 - 4. Ability to reproduce analysis (Reproducibility)
 - 5. Modeling & statistics & hold-out sample accuracy
 - "Here's what we expected to find; here's what we found."
- Will be released this summer



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