



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**CONFIRMATION OF CONSUMER NOTICE
LEAD/COPPER**

Mississippi State Department of Health
Bureau of Public Water Supply
P.O. Box 1700
Jackson, MS 39215-1700

PWS Name: Leaf River Cellulose, LLC

PWS ID #: 560013

The public water system indicated above hereby affirms that the consumer notice and sample results have been provided to consumers in accordance with the delivery, content, and format requirements and deadlines given by method(s) indicated below:

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Jan Jaworski
(Signature)

Environmental Engineer
(Title)

7-28-16
(Date)

CONSUMER NOTICE REGARDING YOUR DRINKING WATER

Our water system did **not** violate a drinking water standard.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. We monitored for **lead and copper** and the result for your home/location is attached.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires that when we send the sample result for your home/location we also include the information below regarding lead in drinking water. The result for your home/location will include a column labeled ACL. This stands for Action Level. Action level is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. If the combined results for the water system exceed this action level, our water system must take specific actions.

The MCLG or maximum contaminant level goal is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. The MCLG for lead is zero. Although there are no known or expected risks to health with a zero goal, EPA requires no action be taken unless the result is over the action level. Lead and copper results are measured in milligrams per liter (mg/l) which is equal to 1 part per million. One part per million is equal to one cent out of \$10,000 or one drop of gas in an entire tank of gas.

Please find below the possible health effects of lead and steps that you can take to reduce exposure to lead in drinking water. Lead is found throughout the environment in lead-based paint, air, soil, household dust, pewter, and water. Lead can pose a significant risk to your health if too much of it enters your body. Lead builds up in the body over many years and can cause damage to the brain, red blood cells and kidneys. The greatest risk is to young children and pregnant women. A child at play often comes into contact with sources of lead contamination such as dirt and dust that rarely affect an adult. It is important to wash children's hands and toys often, and to try to make sure they only put food in their mouths. Make sure you use only MDEQ lead safe certified contractors for renovations and repairs to your home to prevent the creation of lead paint dust.

To reduce exposure to lead in water, you may follow these steps.

1. **FLUSH YOUR SYSTEM.** Let the water run from the tap before using it for drinking or cooking any time the water in a faucet has gone unused for more than six hours. The longer water resides in plumbing the more lead it may contain. Flushing the tap means running the cold water faucet for about 15-30 seconds. Although toilet flushing or showering flushes water through a portion of the plumbing system, you still need to flush the water in each faucet before using it for drinking or cooking. Flushing tap water is a simple and inexpensive measure you can take to protect your health. It usually uses less than one to two gallons of water.
2. **USE ONLY COLD WATER FOR COOKING AND DRINKING.** Do not cook with, or drink water from the hot water tap. Hot water can dissolve more lead more quickly than cold water. If you need hot water, draw water from the cold tap and then heat it.

For more information regarding this information and your sample result, please contact:

Jason Lowery @ 601-964-7228 or jason.lowery@gapac.com

Lead and Copper Results for Leaf River Cellulose Drinking Water System

Collected 6/21/2016

Location	Lead mg/l	Lead Action Level mg/l	Copper mg/l	Copper Action Level mg/l
Environmental Break Room	0.0017	0.015	0.1053	1.3
Guard Shack	0.0011	0.015	0.489	1.3
Tall Oil	0.0012	0.015	0.0195	1.3
EDC	0.0012	0.015	0.015	1.3
First Aid Station	0.0024	0.015	0.0098	1.3
90th Percentile ¹	0.002	0.015	0.5	1.3

1. No Action Level was triggered during this sampling event using the 90th percentile of the 10 samples as prescribed by MS Department of Health.

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Lowery, Jason W.

From: Engle, Joel M.
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2016 9:28 AM
To: GRP_MS163 LR All Users
Subject: FW: Lead & Copper Consumer Notice
Attachments: lead and copper consumer notice 6-21-16.pdf

Please see below.

From: Lowery, Jason W.
Sent: Thursday, July 28, 2016 9:23 AM
To: Engle, Joel M. <JOEL.ENGLE@GAPAC.com>
Subject: Lead & Copper Consumer Notice

Sent on behalf of Jason Lowery:

Periodically, Leaf River Cellulose is required to sample the drinking water supply at designated locations around the mill site for the presence of lead and copper. Attached are the results of this testing, as well as background information supplied by the Mississippi State Department of Health concerning the presence of lead and copper in drinking water supplies. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 601-964-7228 or jason.lowery@gapac.com

Thanks

Jason Lowery



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July 28, 2016

Sally Bishop, Waterworks Operator Instructor
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Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1700

RE: Leaf River Cellulose, LLC
Confirmation of Consumer Notice
NTNC Water Supply System MS0560013

Dear Ms. Bishop:

Regarding the notice from the MSDH on July 21, 2016 concerning lead and copper levels in our potable water samples; please find enclosed the "Confirmation of Public Education" and "Confirmation of Consumer Notice" for Leaf River Cellulose. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (601) 964-7228 or I can be reached by e-mail at jason.lowery@gapac.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jason Lowery".

Jason Lowery
Environmental Engineer
Leaf River Cellulose, LLC