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March 14, 2017

Jamie Phillips
Lancaster Central School District
177 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

Re:

Lead Testing in School Drinking Water Lancaster District Offices 177 Central Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Ms. Phillips:

On September 6, 2016, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed legislation (S.8158/A.10740) mandating that public schools in New York State test potable water for lead contamination. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) also issued emergency regulations pursuant to the new legislation (NYCRR Title X, Subpart 67-4).

In accordance with the new law and regulations, Lancaster Central School District (District) contracted The Lotis Engineering Group, P.C. (Lotis), to complete water testing in all District buildings. This submission summarizes the analytical results of sampling completed on February 24, 2017 at the Lancaster District Offices.

Maintenance closets and showers are not required to be tested under the new state mandates and were not included under this scope of work. Per the emergency regulations issued by the NYSDOH, first-draw samples were collected from cold water outlets after water lay motionless in the pipes for a minimum of 8 hours, but not more than 18 hours. The school district was responsible for flushing outlets at least 8 hours prior to sample collection. Lotis was notified by the school district that flushing was completed over 8 hours prior to sampling. However, this could not be independently verified by Lotis.

Samples were collected by placing a sterile container under each outlet and turning on the water source, allowing Lotis to collect a first-draw cold water sample. Samples were collected in clean 250 mL containers containing the appropriate nitric acid preservative, as provided by the testing laboratory. Samples were then delivered to Microbac Laboratories (a certified Environmental Laboratory Approved Program) following standard chain of custody protocols.

A total of one outlet was sampled inside the building during the resample event.



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At the Lancaster District Offices, 1 sample exceeded the 15 parts per billion (ppb) action level set forth by the NYSDOH. A summary of this sample is included in the following table:

Table 1 - Samples Exceeding 15 ppb

Sample ID	Location Details	Results (ppb)	
1-Districk Office Maintenance Shop sink	Maintenance Room- Sink	45.3	

Included in this submission are the complete laboratory analytical reports, chain of custody logs and photos of sample locations that exceeded the action levels.

In accordance with the new legislation, use of the aforementioned outlets is prohibited until a lead remediation plan is implemented and new testing demonstrates that the resulting lead levels are below 15 ppb. Alternative water supplies may be necessary in impacted areas. The legislation requires that Lancaster Central School District provide these results to the NYSDOH within one business day of receipt. Further, notification to building staff, all persons in parental relation to students, the local health department and the State Education Department is required within 10 business days of receipt of these results. These results and any associated remedial plans must be posted on the District's website within six weeks of receipt and all records must be retained by the District for at least 10 years.

The NYSDOH recommends reviewing "3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools, Revised Technical Guidance" published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to assist schools in assessing an appropriate remediation plan. A copy of this publication can be reviewed through the following hyperlink <u>3Ts for Reducing Lead in Drinking Water in Schools</u>.

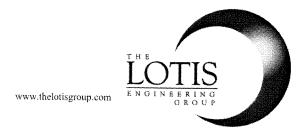
Lotis is available at your convenience to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

Kelly Reidy

**Environmental Scientist** 

David N. Robinson, P.E. President/CEO



**Laboratory Analytical Results** 



March 3, 2017

The Lotis Engineering Group, P.C. 6465 Transit Road - Suite 23 East Amherst, NY 14051-2232

Work Order No.: 17B1458

Re: District Office

Dear Kelly Reidy:

Microbac Laboratories, Inc. - Chicagoland Division received 1 sample(s) on 2/28/2017 9:50:00AM for the analyses presented in the following report as Work Order 17B1458.

The enclosed results were obtained from and are applicable to the sample(s) as received at the laboratory. All sample results are reported on an "as received" basis unless otherwise noted.

All data included in this report have been reviewed and meet the applicable project specific and certification specific requirements, unless otherwise noted. A qualifications page is included in this report and lists the programs under which Microbac maintains certification.

This report has been paginated in its entirety and shall not be reproduced except in full, without the written approval of Microbac Laboratories.

We appreciate the opportunity to service your analytical needs. If you have any questions, please contact your project manager. For any feedback, please contact Donna Ruokonen, Managing Director, at donna.ruokonen@microbac.com.

Sincerely,

Microbac Laboratories, Inc.

Karen Ziolkowski

Senior Project Manager



Date:

Friday, March 3, 2017

**WORK ORDER SAMPLE SUMMARY** 

The Lotis Engineering Group, P.C.

Project: District Office Lab Order: 17B1458

Client:

Lab Sample IDClient Sample IDTag NumberCollection DateDate Received17B1458-011-Districk Office Maintance Shor02/24/2017 07:082/28/2017 9:50:00AM



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**Analytical Results** 

Date:

Friday, March 3, 2017

Client: Client Project: The Lotis Engineering Group, P.C.

Work Order:

17B1458

**Analyses** 

**District Office** 

Certs

Received:

02/28/2017 9:50

Result 1-Districk Office Maintance Shop sink

Tech Method Collected: 02/24/2017 07:08

Lead

gdmnoi 45.3

ug/L

Units

03/02/2017 13:16

Analyzed

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EPA 200.8 Rev 5.4

### FLAGS, FOOTNOTES AND ABBREVIATIONS (as needed)

B = Detected in the associated method Blank at a concentration above the routine RL

b- = Detected in the associated method Blank at a concentration greater than 2.2 times the MDL

b\* = Detected in the associated method Blank at a concentration greater than half the RL CFU = Colony forming units

D = Dilution performed on sample

DF = Dilution Factor

g = Gram

E = Value above quantitation range

H = Analyte was prepared and/or analyzed outside of the analytical method holding time

I = Matrix Interference

J = Analyte concentration detected between RL and MDL (Metals / Organics)

LOD = Limit of Detection

LOQ = Limit of Quantitation

m3 = Meters cubed

MDL = Method Detection Limit

mg/Kg = Milligrams per Kilogram (ppm)

mg/L = Milligrams per Liter (ppm)

NA = Not Analyzed

ND = Not Detected at the Reporting Limit (or the Method Detection Limit, if used)

NR = Not Recovered

R = RPD outside accepted recovery limits

RL = Reporting Limit

S = Spike recovery outside recovery limits

Surr = Surrogate

U = Undetected

> = Greater than

< = Less than

% = Percent

\* = Result exceeds project specific limits

#### **ANALYTE TYPES: (AT)**

A,B = Target Analyte

I = Internal Standard

M = Summation Analyte

S = Surrogate

T = Tentatively Identified Compound (TIC, concentration estimated)

#### **QC SAMPLE IDENTIFICATIONS**

BLK = Method Blank

DUP = Method Duplicate

BS = Method Blank Spike MS = Matrix Spike

ICB = Initial Calibration Blank

CCB = Continuing Calibration Blank

CRL = Client Required Reporting Limit

PDS = Post Digestion Spike QCS = Quality Control Standard ICSA = Interference Check Standard "A"

ICSAB = Interference Check Standard "AB" BSD = Method Blank Spike Duplicate

MSD = Matrix Spike Duplicate

ICV = Initial Calibration Verification

CCV = Continuing Calibration Verification

OPR = Ongoing Precision and Recovery Standard

SD = Serial Dilution

### **CERTIFICATIONS (Certs)**

Below is a list of certifications maintained by the Microbac Merrillville Laboratory. All data included in this report has been reviewed for and meets all project specific and quality control requirements of the applicable accreditation, unless otherwise noted. Complete lists of individual analytes pursuant to each certification below are available upon request.

- d Illinois EPA drinking water, wastewater and solid waste analysis (#200064)
- g Indiana SDH chemical analysis of drinking water (#C-45-03)
- Kansas Dept Health & Env. NELAP (#E-10397)
- m New York State Department of Health Wadsworth (#12006)
- <sup>n</sup> Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protect (#68-04863)
- Virginia Department of General Services Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services (#7990)

Microbac Laboratories, Inc.



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