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## Utility Alert

**TO: AWWA Member Utilities**  
**FROM: AWWA Government Affairs**  
**DATE: April 25, 2011**

<b>What:</b> <b><u>CRITICAL SURVEY REQUEST</u> – Lead Service Line Replacement</b>
<b>Why:</b> <b>U.S. EPA Revisions to Lead and Copper Rule</b>
<b>When:</b> <b>Response requested by June 3, 2011</b>

AWWA requests your utility's participation in a brief, web-based survey on lead service line replacement. This survey should take most utilities fewer than 15 minutes to complete. **High participation among utilities is required to accurately inform anticipated revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule (LCR), so your utility's participation is very important to the drinking water community.** Please complete the survey at:

<b>Survey Weblink -- <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AWWA_LSLR_Survey">https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AWWA_LSLR_Survey</a></b>
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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA ) is expected to propose revisions to the LCR in 2012. When the LCR was finalized in 2000, information AWWA collected and placed in the public record was central to demonstrating the impact of rule provisions on community water systems and the challenges water systems face in replacing lead service lines. EPA needs a clear understanding of these same issues, today, as it prepares to propose revisions to the LCR in 2012.

**U.S EPA's LCR proposal in 2012 is important even if your system reliably complies with the LCR.** The agency is considering regulatory options and guidance that will have implications for all water systems that may have lead service lines in the communities they serve.

The survey is brief, but it may require input from more than one member of your staff. To simplify responding, simply:

1. Print the survey and carefully read instructions
2. Insert responses for the questions you are able to answer, and
3. Enter the response on the SurveyMonkey website.

Questions? Contact Steve Via, AWWA Government Affairs at (202) 326-6130 or [svia@awwa.org](mailto:svia@awwa.org).

**Fact Sheet**  
**Lead Service Line Replacement Survey**

- Survey Sponsor:** American Water Works Association, Water Utility Council
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- Survey Timeline:** Distribution Date: April 25, 2011  
**Response by: June 3, 2011**  
(Survey period may be extended; responses after June 3 will be accepted.)
- Type of Survey:** Brief web-based survey (12 questions), conducted using SurveyMonkey
- Target Response:** Community water systems of all sizes
- Encouragement To Respond:**
- Survey is important to revision of federal Lead and Copper Rule to be proposed in Spring 2012
  - Survey is brief. Most respondents will complete survey in 15 minutes or less.
  - A drawing to be held for complimentary registration to AWWA conferences in Fall of 2011. Drawing winners may choose between:
    - 2011 Distribution Systems Symposium and Exposition & Water Security Conference and
    - 2011 Water Quality Technology Conference and Exposition
- On June 7 AWWA will announce winners from drawing.
- Survey Instructions:**
- See Utility Alert or contact Steve Via for SurveyMonkey weblink
  - Use weblink to print a copy of the survey questions
  - Carefully read the survey instructions
  - Answer the questions
  - Return to SurveyMonkey weblink and enter responses to survey questions