## LEAD & COPPER RULE MONITORING AND REPORTING VIOLATION MANDATORY LANGUAGE - TIER III IMPORT ANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

The City of Levelland has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in Chapter 30, Section 290, Subchapter F. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have the right to know what happened and what we are doing (or did) to correct these situations.

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. During June 1 - September 30, 2016 we did not complete all monitoring or testing for lead and copper and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for these contaminants, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which the follow-up samples were taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling	Number of samples	When samples should have	When samples were or will be
	frequency	taken	been taken	taken
Lead & Copper	30 samples every 3 years	30	June - September	June - September

## What is being done?

We are working to correct the problem. For more information, please contact Jose Cavazos at (806) 894-0113 or jcavazos@levellandtexas.org.

We have corrected and confirmed all sampling addresses so that future clerical reporting errors such as occurred this time will be less likely to occur again.

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## What Really Happened

Our drinking water is safe. Samples were taken as required and all samples returned clear of contaminants. However, these samples are taken only every 3 years and in the interim since the last sampling some changes occurred in a few addresses. These changes were not properly coordinated ahead of time between the City and TCEQ so that five (5) of the sample addresses did not match up and were rejected even though they were properly taken and tested free of contaminants.

Even though our water is safe and there has been no risk to our customers, federal and state guidelines are requiring the City to spend several thousand dollars to mail this notice of a clerical reporting error to our customers.