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Re: Press Release - Lead and Copper Rule Revisions Compliance Program

## City Launches Water Meter Replacement Program and Lead Compliance Initiative

As an upgrade to the City's current honor system for reporting water usage, a solicitation for updated water meters and associated technology was issued in August. This month, the City has awarded that contract to Professional Meters Inc. (PMI) which will include accessing all residential homes in the water system to replace current water meters to updated technology. This work is scheduled to occur throughout 2025. Further information will be provided by the City as we get closer to the commencement of the meter installations.

As part of the meter replacement effort, the selected contractor will also verify water service line materials to comply with the <u>United States Environmental Protection Agencies Lead and Copper Rule Revisions</u> which requires all water systems nationally to develop a survey of service line materials, with the goal of removing Lead and Galvanized Service Lines over the next 10-13 years. This November, residents in the City with an unknown, lead, or galvanized water service line will be receiving notifications on the potential health impacts of lead in drinking water. These notifications are required for the City to comply with federal and state drinking water requirements.

The City's lead compliance initiative is being supported by free technical services provided by the USEPA under the 'Get the Lead Out Program' that will provide tools, best practices, funding consultation and related services at no cost to the City.