



Southwest Michigan Regional Sanitary Sewer and Water Authority
St. Joseph Township, Lincoln Township, Royalton Township
980 Miners Road
St. Joseph, MI 49085

December 23, 2025

Notice that Reporting Requirements for the Water System Were Not Met

The Authority was required to deliver annual notifications to water service customers with lead service lines, galvanized service lines requiring replacement, or service lines of unknown lead status, and certify to the State that these notifications were sent. We failed to certify to the State by July 1, 2025, that we delivered these annual notifications to affected consumers as required. The Authority has been sampling the water supply for lead and none of the samples in the past 25 years have exceeded the maximum allowable concentration established by the EPA.

Although the failure to comply with the reporting requirement does not create a risk to public health, we are required to inform all customers including those without lead or galvanized services requiring replacement of this violation and provide additional information including what we are doing to correct the situation. It is important for consumers to know if the water they are receiving has been delivered through a lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or lead status unknown service line so they can make decisions on whether and what actions to take to reduce their exposure to lead in drinking water.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water. Boiling water does not remove lead.

What has the Authority Done to Comply?

The annual notifications have been sent to the required customers to comply with reporting requirements.

For more information, please contact Steve Tilly, Authority Chairperson at 980 Miners Rd, St Joseph, MI 49085. For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit the EPA's websites at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water> and <http://www.epa.gov/lead>. Additional resources can also be found at <https://www.michigan.gov/mileadsafe/get-ahead-of-lead>.