

**Kentucky Lead Workgroup Meeting
January 21, 2020
10:00 AM to 12 Noon EST
Kentucky Division of Water
Room 314
300 Sower Blvd
Frankfort, Kentucky**

Workgroup Member Attendance:

Greg Heitzman, Bluewater Kentucky, Chair
Alicia Jacobs, Manager, Drinking Water Branch KYDOW
Emily Fritz, Louisville Water Company
Jennifer Burt, Kentucky Department of Health
Doug Kimbler, proxy for Mike Gardner, BGMU, via phone
Ron Lovan, Northern Kentucky Water, via phone
Chris Bobay, proxy for Rengao Song, LWC

Absent Workgroup Members:

Brad Montgomery, GRW Engineering/ACEC-KY
Bill Robertson, Paducah Water Works
Justin Sensabaugh, Kentucky American Water Company
Obe Cox, Carroll County Water District
Rengao Song, LWC represented by Chris Bobay LWC
Mike Gardner, BGMU

Other Attendees:

Sean Alteri, KYDEP
Amy Kramer, NKWD/AWWA KY-TN
Russ Rose, Oldham County Water District
Kelleé Husband, KYDOW
Mary Carol Wagner, Northern Kentucky Water District
Russ Neal, KYDOW
Todd Ritter, KRWA
Melissa Melton, Kentucky RCAP
Julia Harrod, KYDOW

- 1. Call to Order** - The meeting of the Kentucky Lead Workgroup was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chair Greg Heitzman. The Agenda for today's meeting, Minutes of the January 09, 2020 meeting, a CDC handout "Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention" and the Draft #1 for Review Only-Not for Circulation; Kentucky Lead Workgroup Comments and Recommendations on the Proposed Revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule were distributed and a sign-in sheet circulated.

2. **Introductions** - The Chair announced that a Public Notice was made for today's meeting and that the meeting is open to the public. All discussions on the proposed Lead and Copper Rule at today's meeting are in draft form for discussion purposes only. A roll call of members, two members represented via phone and self-introduction of guests, one via phone was conducted. A quorum was confirmed. A sign-in sheet was circulated.
3. **Minutes** – The minutes of the January 09, 2020 meeting were not discussed and tabled until a later date/meeting.
4. **Report from Workgroup Chair** – Greg had a copy of the Draft 150 page proposed LCR comments document produced by AWWA. The distribution of the document is not to be made at this time and was not shared. It will be released first to the Water Utilities Council. Greg has requested via his AWWA contact that it be released before the Workgroup finalizes its' work and the deadline for reviews is reached. The AWWA's resources are extensive and they took a very detailed approach to each proposed change in the regulation.

Greg brought attention to the handout from the CDC, "Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention", and discussion ensued with comments from Jennifer Burt and Emily Fritz about lead level measurements in blood (reported as micrograms/deciliter) that are reported to a database that is maintained by Kentucky. Different blood lead levels trigger different actions with the Department for Public Health with higher levels of 10 to 15 micrograms/deciliter mandating a home visit and 15 calling for abatement. What are found to be almost wholly contributing factors are lead containing substances (e.g., paint) and not solely/any of the potable tap water. This raises the topic of communication between a water utility and parents of children with elevated blood lead levels and the need for having resources on hand that facilitate discussions.

Greg and Amy Kramer worked together to pull together all comments and recommendations from the subgroups and put into the Draft #1 document to be used only for review at the meeting today.

5. **Review Draft Recommendations** – Greg directed the group through the prepared draft #1. Alicia Jacobs had the document open in edit mode and projected on the large screen for all to view and all edits/comments were made by Alicia with input from the workgroup as the document was reviewed. The document was saved as Draft #2 with progress made toward finalization.
6. **Finalize Recommendations by consensus of Workgroup Members** – All edits made during the meeting were going to be incorporated by Alicia to deliver to upper cabinet level DEP on January 22, 2020. Greg asked Todd Ritter and Gabe Tanner to see if there were any final comments from small and medium systems before the final document is made available to the workgroup members by February 01, 2020, with publication on the Division of Water's website around February 05, 2020 for public viewing. Greg will present the Lead Workgroup Final document to the DWAC at its next regular meeting to be incorporated into the DWAC's body of work.
7. **Next Steps for Use of Workgroup Recommendations by Others** – Publication of the final document of the Kentucky Lead Workgroup will be published on the Division of Water's website for public view

and citation on or about February 05, 2020. This will provide some time for consideration and use by the public before the deadline of the comment period; February 12, 2020.

8. **Public Comment Period** – There were no members of the general public present.
9. **Set Next Workgroup Meeting (if needed)** – The next meeting will be scheduled on an as needed basis
10. **Adjourn** – Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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