Lead in Drinking Water Workgroup Meeting - Minutes

December 18, 2023 2:00 pm Zoom virtual meeting

Meeting recording link Passcode: 8gf&8^Lc

Workgroup Member Attendance:

Alicia Jacobs
Amy Stoffer
Jennifer Burt
Jacob Northington
Sarah Gaddis
Brad Montgomery
Emily Fritz
Justin Sensabaugh

Absent Workgroup Members:

Obie Cox Mike Gardner (Doug Kimbler) Greg Heitzman Tom Rockaway

Other Attendees:

Ethan Givan
Carole Catalfo
Jim Tackett
Many Carol Wagn

Mary Carol Wagner Bob Money

Sara Sgantas

Da Yu

Channa Newman Amber Agee Jasper Wyatt James Noel Daren Thompson William Davis Chris Bobay

Audrey Ernstberger

Dan Lambert

Tekoyia Brown David Billings John Moor Donna McNeil Steve Cole

Ameerah Palacios Russell Neal Lindsey Rechtin Peter Goodmann Christy Twyman Motion to approve the minutes from 9/25/23 made by Doug Kimbler and seconded by Jacob Northington. No changes to minutes requested. Note: retroactively designated Doug Kimbler a member of the workgroup, representing Bowling Green Municipal Utilities. Mike Gardner has retired and will no longer be a member of the workgroup.

Proposed LCRI – a presentation summarizing the proposed rule requirements, primacy information, and modifications to compliance deadlines was provided, followed by discussion of the new proposal.

Discussion focused on replacement rate definition, funding and access of privately-owned service lines, full vs. partial replacement definition, corrosion control treatment requirements, and including lead connectors in the service line inventory.

Subgroup report-outs:

Schools and childcares: Have been meeting monthly, and have another meeting scheduled January 4 to discuss comments on proposed LCRI. Updates: FAQ list started (waiting to finalize for LCRI); this subgroup was involved in the Check Your Pipes KY initiative; have merged (for now) with the Communications subgroup. Will be considering resources for sampling going forward, too.

Inventory and Replacement: Have a meeting scheduled in early January to continue discussion of comments on proposed LCRI. Will be focusing on guidance for replacement planning after the LCRI comment period is over (prior to October 16, 2024).

DWSRF / DWINSA update: Call for Projects for FY 2025 was Friday, December 14. Projects will be reviewed internally and the ranking process will begin next. Systems that were awarded funding for LSL replacement projects in FY 2024 and are PSC regulated will need to update tariffs with PSC. DOW, KIA, and PSC have started meeting regularly to discuss streamlining this process, and will engage KRWA as well, to assist smaller systems.

Next meeting: January 16, 2024 at 1:00 pm EST. It will be a hybrid meeting (in-person at 300 Sower in Frankfort and virtual via Zoom) with a focus on collecting comments on the Proposed LCRI. Subgroups should meet before that time to discuss subgroup-specific comments.