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(16-1598-07)

Okemos Public Schools
Steve Lathrop, Director of Operations
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**SUBJECT: *Okemos Public Schools Water Sampling – Lead in Drinking Water
Bennett Woods Elementary, 2650 Bennett Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864***

Dear Mr. Lathrop,

This letter is a summary of drinking water sampling procedures and results for the Bennett Woods Elementary building, located at 2650 Bennett Road, Okemos, Michigan. As requested, these sampling events were designed to offer an assessment of whether water at likely drinking sources within this location contains lead at or above the EPA action level of 15 parts per billion (ppb), and as such does not offer a comprehensive assessment of the entire building and its drinking water system.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Triterra personnel mobilized to the site on May 6, 2016 and conducted the prescribed sampling protocol. This included the following:

- A 250 milliliter (ml) flush sample (three minute flush time) from the tap closest to the water service inlet, in order to determine whether an external source of lead contamination exists;
- A 250 ml initial draw sample from five drinking water source fixtures within the building (fountain, bubbler, kitchen sink, etc.), to determine whether the fixture itself may be a source of lead contamination, and;
- A 250 ml flush sample (30 seconds flush time) from the same five fixtures within the building.

These specimens, as well as a 250 ml field blank (distilled water), were then submitted to Merit Laboratories, Inc. (East Lansing, Michigan) for analysis via EPA Method 200.8 Revision 5.4. All samples were collected in laboratory-prepared, nitric acid-preserved, 250 ml Nalgene bottles, in order to meet the EPA-prescribed 250 ml sample size requirement.

FINDINGS

Analytical results are included as Table 1, attached, as well as within the included Merit Laboratories, Inc. analytical report (Attachment 1).





The analytical results from the collected samples do not indicate that the Bennett Woods Elementary building has lead within drinking water at levels that exceed the EPA action level (15 ppb) at the time of testing.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is Triterra's opinion that a more comprehensive set of sampling for might be beneficial. During the sampling event, it was noted that multiple types of potential drinking water sources are present within the building. A more comprehensive sampling strategy would offer more conclusive information as to if any individual type(s) of fixture poses a concern.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this correspondence, please contact the undersigned at (517) 702-0470.

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "I. Smith".

Ian O. Smith, PhD
Materials Scientist

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don McNabb".

Don McNabb, CGWP, CP
CEO | Principal Scientist

Attachments

TABLE 1



TABLE 1

SAMPLE RESULTS - LEAD IN WATER
5/6/2016

Project: Okemos Public Schools - Lead Testing
Location: Bennett Woods Elementary
Project Number: 16-1598-07
Personnel: DKM

Sample	Description	Location	Volume	Matrix	Result (ppb)
BW-W-01	Flush Sample - 3 min	Room Near Service Line - Sink	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND
BW-W-02	Initial Draw Sample	Kitchen - Steel Sink	250 ml	Drinking Water	1
BW-W-03	Flush Sample - 30 sec	Kitchen - Steel Sink	250 ml	Drinking Water	-
BW-W-04	Initial Draw Sample	Hallway Near Gymnasium - Steel Fountain	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND
BW-W-05	Flush Sample - 30 sec	Hallway Near Gymnasium - Steel Fountain	250 ml	Drinking Water	-
BW-W-06	Initial Draw Sample	Kindergarten Room - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND
BW-W-07	Flush Sample - 30 sec	Kindergarten Room - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	-
BW-W-08	Initial Draw Sample	Room 112 - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND
BW-W-09	Flush Sample - 30 sec	Room 112 - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	-
BW-W-10	Initial Draw Sample	Room 105 - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND
BW-W-11	Flush Sample - 30 sec	Room 105 - Steel Sink Bubbler	250 ml	Drinking Water	-
BW-Blank	Field Blank	-	250 ml	Drinking Water	ND

Notes:
EPA Lead in Drinking Water action level is .15 ppb
Initial Draw Sample is taken prior to any usage of the water source, following at least 8 hours of idle time
Flush Sample is taken following a prescribed amount of time with water running
Bold text indicates sample is above EPA action level



ATTACHMENT 1

MERIT LABORATORIES, INC. ANALYTICAL REPORT



Analytical Laboratory Report

Report ID: S73253.01(01)
Generated on 05/09/2016

Report to

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Report Summary

Lab Sample ID(s): S73253.01-S73253.12
Project: 16-1598 Bennett
Collected Date: 05/06/2016
Submitted Date/Time: 05/06/2016 14:17
Sampled by: Don McNabb
P.O. #:

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Technical Director



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General Report Notes

Results relate only to items tested as received by laboratory.

Methods may be modified for improved performance.

Results reported on a dry weight basis where applicable.

'Not detected' indicates that parameter was not found at a level equal to or greater than the reporting limit (RL).

40 CFR Part 136 Table II Required Containers, Preservation Techniques and Holding Times for the Clean Water Act specify that samples for acrolein and acrylonitrile need to be preserved at a pH in the range of 4 to 5 or if not preserved, analyzed within 3 days of sampling.

QA/QC corresponding to this analytical report is a separate document with the same Merit ID reference and is available upon request.

Full accreditation certificates are available upon request.

Samples are held by the lab for 30 days from the final report date unless a written request to hold longer is provided by the client.

Report shall not be reproduced except in full, without the written approval of Merit Laboratories, Inc.

Report Narrative

There is no additional narrative for this analytical report



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Laboratory Certifications

Authority	Certification ID
Michigan DEQ	#9956
DOD ELAP/ISO 17025	#69699
WBENC	#2005110032
Ohio VAP	#CL0002
Indiana DOH	#C-MI-07
New York NELAC	#11814
North Carolina DENR	#680
North Carolina DOH	#26702

Qualifier Descriptions

Qualifier	Description
I	Result is outside of stated limit criteria
B	Compound also found in associated method blank
E	Concentration exceeds calibration range
F	Analysis run outside of holding time
G	Estimated result due to extraction run outside of holding time
H	Sample submitted and run outside of holding time
I	Matrix interference with internal standard
J	Estimated value less than reporting limit, but greater than MDL
L	Elevated reporting limit due to low sample amount
M	Result reported to MDL not RDL
O	Analysis performed by outside laboratory. See attached report.
R	Preliminary result
S	Surrogate recovery outside of control limits
T	No correction for total solids
X	Elevated reporting limit due to matrix interference
Y	Elevated reporting limit due to high target concentration
b	Value detected less than reporting limit, but greater than MDL
e	Reported value estimated due to interference
j	Analyte also found in associated method blank
p	Benzo(b)Fluoranthene and Benzo(k)Fluoranthene integrated as one peak.
x	Preserved from bulk sample

Glossary of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
RLRDL	Reporting Limit
MDL	Method Detection Limit
MS	Matrix Spike
MSD	Matrix Spike Duplicate
SW	EPA SW 846 (Soil and Wastewater) Methods
E	EPA Methods
SM	Standard Methods



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Method Summary

Method	Version
E200.8	EPA Method 200.8 Revision 5.4
SW3015A	SW 846 Method 3015A Revision 1 February 2007



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Sample Summary (12 samples)

Sample ID	Sample Tag	Matrix	Collected Date/Time
S73253.01	BW-W-01	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:30
S73253.02	BW-W-02	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:18
S73253.03	BW-W-03	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:19
S73253.04	BW-W-04	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:44
S73253.05	BW-W-05	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:45
S73253.06	BW-W-06	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:40
S73253.07	BW-W-07	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:41
S73253.08	BW-W-08	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:13
S73253.09	BW-W-09	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:14
S73253.10	BW-W-10	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:10
S73253.11	BW-W-11	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:11
S73253.12	BW-Blank	Drinking Water	05/06/16 06:26



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.01
Sample Tag: BW-W-01
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:30
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 16:57	PER	7439-92-1	



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.02
Sample Tag: BW-W-02
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:18
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	0.001	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 16:58	PER	7439-92-1	



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.03
Sample Tag: BW-W-03
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:19
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
<i>Other / Misc.</i>								
Hold until notified	Completed				05/09/16 14:20	KAG		



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.04
Sample Tag: BW-W-04
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:44
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 16:59	PER	7439-92-1	



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.05
Sample Tag: BW-W-05
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:45
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
<i>Other / Misc.</i>								
Hold until notified	Completed				05/09/16 14:20	KAG		



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.06
Sample Tag: BW-W-06
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:40
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 17:00	PER	7439-92-1	



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Lab Sample ID: S73253.07
Sample Tag: BW-W-07
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:41
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
<i>Other / Misc.</i>								
Hold until notified	Completed				05/09/16 14:20	KAG		



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Lab Sample ID: S73253.08
Sample Tag: BW-W-08
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:13
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 17:01	PER	7439-92-1	



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.09
Sample Tag: BW-W-09
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:14
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
<i>Other / Misc.</i>								
Hold until notified	Completed				05/09/16 14:20	KAG		



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.10
Sample Tag: BW-W-10
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:10
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 17:02	PER	7439-92-1	



Analytical Laboratory Report

Lab Sample ID: S73253.11
Sample Tag: BW-W-11
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:11
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
<i>Other / Misc.</i>								
Hold until notified	Completed				05/09/16 14:20	KAG		



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Lab Sample ID: S73253.12
Sample Tag: BW-Blank
Collected Date/Time: 05/06/2016 06:26
Matrix: Drinking Water
COC Reference: 91284

Sample Containers

#	Type	Preservative(s)	Refrigerated?	Arrival Temp. (C)	Thermometer #
1	250ml Plastic	HNO3	Yes	12.1	IR

Analysis	Results	Units	RL	Method	Run Date/Time	Tech	CAS #	Flags
Extraction / Prep.								
Metal Digestion	Completed			SW3015A	05/09/16 15:00	CCM		
Metals								
Lead	Not detected	mg/L	0.001	E200.8	05/09/16 17:03	PER	7439-92-1	

