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RE: Lead & Copper Water Testing 2025

Dear Homeowners:

We are writing to address an important matter concerning water testing within our community. The Delaware Office of Drinking Water (ODW) required this notice to be sent to each homeowner. Although the nine-year anniversary calendar testing date was missed by a few weeks, we want to assure you that Cape Windsor places the utmost priority on public safety and water quality.

Our potable water quality is excellent, maintained through daily testing conducted by our vendor, Shore Water Refining, and by Cape Windsor residents who are certified Delaware ODW sampler testers. As part of our commitment to high standards, we will collect and test 20 water samples from homes across the community in early 2025. Our 2015 results Cape Windsor met all Federal and State requirements. Based on our history and current practices, we do not anticipate lead or copper levels to exceed the federal government's safe drinking water limits. Cape Windsor's water lines are plastic and PVC, no copper or lead lines. Once the certified testing lab verifies the results and submits them to the Delaware ODW, we will return to compliance, with a three-year cycle vs the previous 9 year.

While we respect the ODW's mission, we respectfully disagree with their determination of non-compliance. The community was not informed of the upcoming requirement through mail or email, contributing to the missed deadline. As a registered public drinking water system with a unique state-assigned identifier, we have diligently fulfilled our responsibilities, including the construction of a state-of-the-art well-house that passed multiple state and public health inspections, culminating in our certificate to operate.

We are committed to resolving this matter promptly and transparently, by establishing a schedule of events that must be followed so future Boards are aware and do not miss regulatory requirements. This knowledge will be transitioned to the current and subsequent Boards to ensure compliance and continuity.

Should you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully,
Cape Windsor HOA Board

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PUBLIC NOTICE
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Lead and Copper Monitoring Requirements not met for Cape Windsor Community Association INC

Our water system violated drinking water standards over the past year. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct these situations.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the **June 1- September 30, 2024** monitoring period, we did not complete all required monitoring to maintain compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below provides more information on the testing that we failed to perform and the actions that we need to take to return to compliance with drinking water standards.

Contaminants	Required Sampling Frequency	Number of Samples Taken	When Samples Should Have Been Taken	Number of Samples To Be Taken	When Samples Will Be Taken
Lead and Copper (Tap)	9- Year Monitoring	0	June 1- Sept 30, 2024	20	Jan 1 – June 30, 2025

What happened? What is being done?

Cape Windsor Community Association INC failed to collect the required samples and report the results to the Division of Public Health, Office of Drinking Water. Once Cape Windsor Community Association INC has collected the appropriate number of samples and the results are submitted to the Office of Drinking Water, the system will be considered as "returned to compliance" and this public notice will be lifted. For more information, please contact Susan Scrapper at **302-988-1739** or the Environmental Health Specialist II in the Office of Drinking Water at (302) 741-8630.

Please share this information with all other people who drink the water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by Cape Windsor Community Association INC

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