



Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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September 23, 2010

Current Resident
15 West Shore Road
North Oaks, MN 55127

RE: Residential Well Sampling scheduled for the week of October 4, 2010

Dear Resident:

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), in conjunction with Whirlpool Corporation (Whirlpool), Reynolds Metals Company (Reynolds), and Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA), is coordinating a ground water sampling event of residential wells in your area during the week of October 4, 2010. This sampling is related to remedial action activities conducted at the Highway 96 State Superfund Site located in White Bear Township. Whirlpool and Reynolds are paying for the sampling and laboratory analyses, so there is no cost to the residents.

Your well has been selected along with 62 other residential wells for well sampling. All samples will be analyzed for volatile organic compounds and chloride.

Sampling of private wells is totally voluntary, and will only be conducted with your permission. Ideally, the sample is collected from the outside spigot that does not undergo any sort of pretreatment. The well is pumped for a minimum of 20 minutes prior to sampling to flush the system (holding tank and associated piping) of stagnant water. This sampling procedure provides both the sampler and the resident with the convenience of being flexible with the sampling logistics and expedites the completion of the task, as the resident doesn't have to be present.

If you would like to have your well sampled, please call Mike Richie (CRA) at 651-639-0913 to confirm logistics for sampling. If you cannot make your outside spigot available for sampling, please indicate a date and time during the week of October 4, 2010 which is convenient for you.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. The information collected will assist the MPCA with on-going evaluation of the groundwater in your area. If you have any questions about the sampling or do not want your well sampled, please contact me at 651-757-2260 or Mike Richie at the number noted above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frederick K. Campbell".

Frederick K. Campbell
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Remediation Division

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cc: Sarah Illi, CRA
John Schaaf, Mayor of North Oaks
Emily Hansen, Minnesota Department of Health