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**REVISED MAY 1, 2018**  
**TELEPHONE AREA CODE CORRECTED TO READ (609)989-3208**

Homeowner  
{Address}  
Trenton, NJ XXXXX

April 27, 2018

RE: LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Dear Homeowner/Tenant:

Trenton Water Works' records identified your property as having a lead gooseneck and/or water service line made up of lead-lined galvanized steel pipe, also known as a lead service line. A water service line containing lead can increase your risk of exposure to lead through drinking water and should be replaced if possible. Replacing your water lead service line will reduce your exposure to lead and improve your overall water quality.

Trenton Water Works owns the portion of the service line from the water main in the street to the curb and you, the homeowner, own the portion of the service line from the curb to the meter inside your home.

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Trenton Water Works will be replacing the portion of the service line owned by the City starting June 15, 2018 in accordance with Federal Regulations Title 40 CFR 141.84. **At the same time, the City is offering to replace the portion of your service line with a new copper line at your expense (see attached form for more information).** The final cost to you will depend on the bids received from contractors but is estimated to be between \$2,500 and \$5,000 per service. If you were to replace your service line on your own with an independent contractor, the cost would likely be higher.

If you do not choose to have your portion of the service line replaced, please be aware that Trenton Water Works still intends to replace the City-owned portion of your service line which will result in a "partial replacement." Lead can be disturbed during a partial replacement temporarily increasing lead levels in your drinking water. It is strongly advised that you install a filter certified for lead removal or consume bottled water until lead levels subside. Instructions on periodic flushing and testing will be provided at the time of your replacement by Trenton Water Works. Trenton Water Works will also analyze a water sample within 72 hours after the completion of the partial replacement and provide the results to the owner and resident(s) of your home.

**TO REGISTER FOR THE PROGRAM**

**Fill out the attached replacement form indicating your interest and return by May 25, 2018.** The final cost for the replacement of your lead service line will be provided by the City once the contractor is selected, and you will have another opportunity to opt out at that time. If you do not respond to this request, Trenton Water Works will replace only the City-owned portion of the service line from the main to the curb.

If you have any questions about this program please contact Danielle London at **609-989-3208** or [dlondon@trentonnj.org](mailto:dlondon@trentonnj.org).

Sincerely,  
*Andrew Pappachen,*  
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Trenton Water Works