CITY OF DETROIT 2014 LEAD AND COPPER MONITORING PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS

(Chain of Custody)

Dear Participant:

Thank you for helping to monitor for lead and copper in your drinking water. It is important that you follow these instructions so that we may collect an accurate measurement of the lead and copper in your drinking water. The sample is suppose to represent the water you would typically drink and the faucet from where you would drink the water. Call the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department at 313 926-8102 or 313 926-8127 if you have any questions.

1. Select a faucet in the KITCHEN OR BATHROOM that is commonly used for drinking. DO NOT sample from a laundry sink or a hose spigot as these samples cannot be used by DWSD. On the label provided, write the date and time you flushed your plumbing. (The night before or the period of non-use.)

2. Flush the cold water for at least 5 minutes. Let the water sit for at least 6 hours before you plan to collect the sample. If you have a single handle faucet, turn to the COLD side. DO NOT use this faucet again until it is sampled.

3. Write your address, the date and time that you flushed the faucet on both the label and on this collection form.

4. Wait at least 6 hours before collecting your sample but we do not recommend sampling if the faucet has sat idle for more than 12 hours.

5. Fill the sample bottle to the neck with the “first draw” of COLD water from the same faucet that you flushed at least 6 hours earlier.

6. Write the date and Time the sample was collected on both the label and on this collection form.

7. Peel off the backing on the label and place the label on the bottle.

Please answer the following questions:

a) Did you flush the water for at least 5 minutes and let it sit unused for 6 hours before you filled the bottle?  
YES ☐ NO ☐

b) What date and time did you flush the faucet?  
Date: _______  Time: _______ am | pm

c) What date and time did you fill the bottle?  
Date: _______  Time: _______ am | pm

d) Did you fill the bottle from the faucet that you flushed 6 hours? (If no, please explain):
YES ☐ NO ☐

e) Which faucet did you use to fill the bottle?  
KITCHEN ☐ MAIN BATHROOM ☐ OTHER (please describe):

f) Is this faucet connected to a home treatment device such as a water softener, a reverse osmosis unit, an iron removal device OR is an kind of additive used in the home?  
YES ☐ NO ☐

Where we send the results:

Your Printed Name:_________________________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________
Signature: (required) ________________________________________________________

Attach the label, this form and the survey form to the bottle. When your sample is ready for pick up. Please call the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Water Quality Division at (313) 926-8102, (313) 926-8127 or (313) 926-8136. Information on this year’s lead and copper monitoring will be printed in the Consumer Confidence Report that will be made available to you by July 1 of next year. DWSD will send you your results within 30 days of receiving them.

OR For more information Contact: Jeff Antil (517) 937-9300 at the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.