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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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And

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Department of Environmental Services
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Dear Resident:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) are working to address groundwater contamination recently identified in residential drinking water supply wells located in the vicinity of the Tinkham Garage Superfund Site.

As you may be aware, last winter, NHDES conducted a water sampling program in the Albany/Boston /Charleston Avenue neighborhood that identified several residential water supply wells with contaminants similar to those being monitored for at the Tinkham Site. While additional monitoring continued, the State of New Hampshire provided impacted households with point of entry water treatment systems and/or bottled water depending on the analysis of the water and concentrations of the compounds found.

EPA and NHDES have met with the Tinkham Garage Site Responsible Parties (RP) group, who agreed to provide a more permanent, and sustainable water supply to households with impacted wells. This fall, impacted households will be provided with a connection to the nearby water line managed by Pennichuck. Households located in the vicinity of the impacted wells will continue to be monitored while a bedrock groundwater investigation is implemented which will allow for a better understanding of the migration of contaminants through bedrock fractures.

The enclosed document is a Draft Explanation of Significant Differences. This document is produced by the EPA and establishes that the contaminants found in the residential area are similar to those found at the Tinkham Garage Site, allows for the use of a water line to provide the most permanent and sustainable solution to protect human health, and establishes a cleanup level in groundwater at the Site for the compound 1,4 dioxane.

This document is being mailed to your residence; we hope you will find time to read and provide us with any comment or concerns you may have. EPA will collect comments on this document and the use of the waterline to address exposures to contaminated groundwater before finalizing. EPA will accept comments on the contents of this document from October 9th through October 30th, 2015.

Because there are many details surrounding this action, and to provide you with an opportunity to meet us in person, EPA, NHDES will be available to discuss the water line and monitoring activities. A technical representative of the Tinkham RP Group has also been invited to be present. We have reserved the Merrill Conference room at the Londonderry Town Hall on Thursday, October 8th at 6 PM for this discussion. The Merrill Conference room is located on the second floor of Town Hall next to the Town Manager's office. Once you arrive at Town Hall, take the elevator to the second floor and it will be a left off the elevator. Town Hall is located at 268B Mammoth Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053. [Building directly behind the Police Department].

In the meantime, we wish to thank all households for their patience and cooperation while we establish and secure alternative water and continue to evaluate groundwater quality in the area. We understand this may be an on-going process within the neighborhood as we continue to monitor for seasonal fluctuations which can occur in groundwater. If you would like to contact us, we can be reached at the phone numbers and emails provided below.

Sincerely,



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