

# Failure to Report Initial Inventory to the State

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

### Reporting Requirement(s) Not Met for Wettington Water System

[Water System Name]

We were required to develop and submit to the State an initial service line inventory that includes all service lines connected to the public water distribution system and characterize the materials of those service lines as either lead, galvanized requiring replacement, non-lead, or lead status unknown. Our system failed to submit an initial inventory of service lines to the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) by October 16, 2024.

[If initial inventory has been completed - leave blank if not yet completed]

We notified persons served at service connections with a lead, GRR, or unknown service line on 3-18-2026.  
[date]

The inventory was included with the Tier 2 Notice Mailing

[directions on how to access the publicly available inventory]

Although the failure to report the initial inventory to the State does not create a risk to public health, we are required to inform you of this violation and provide additional information including what we did to correct the situation.

#### What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. Remember, boiling water does not remove lead from water.

For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit the EPA's websites at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water> and <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

#### What is being done?

[If initial inventory has been completed - leave blank if not yet completed]

We completed the initial service line inventory and emailed it to NDDEQ on 1-22-2026.  
[submitted/intend to submit] [date]

We acquired ownership and operational responsibility for the public water system late 2025. All alleged violations referenced in the Order occurred prior to our ownership and control of the system. Nevertheless we wish to obtain compliance as soon as possible.

[Describe corrective action and when the system expects to return to compliance or resolve the situation.]

For more information, please contact Chris Brown at 303--312-6669 or 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver CO 80202  
[name of contact] [phone number] [mailing address]

*\*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). 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 mail. Public Water System ID#: MT0004083.  
[Water System Name] [Water System ID]

Date distributed: 3-18-2026.

Send the copy of your public notice, with the dates posted clearly identified, **and** the certification statement below to:

**Email to the Following (preferred):**

[brookins.rachel@epa.gov](mailto:brookins.rachel@epa.gov), and: [gregory.montgomery@mt.gov](mailto:gregory.montgomery@mt.gov)

**Or By Mail to the Following:**

US-EPA Region 8	<b>and:</b>	Gregory Montgomery
1595 Wynkoop St.		MDEQ LCRR Rule Manager
Denver, CO 80202-1129		2401 Colonial Dr.
Mail Code 8ECA-W-S,		Helena, MT 59601

**Certification of Public Notification**

I Marc Liechti **certify that the attached public notification was issued**  
(PWS Operator/Responsible Party)

**from** 3-18-2026 **to** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Date)

**The attached notice was issued by** US Postal Service  
(Method of delivery)

**Signature** Marc Liechti **Date** \_\_\_\_\_