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MEMORANDUM FOR CREECH AFB PERSONNEL

FROM: 99 OMRS/SGXB

SUBJECT: Water Service Line Inventory Notification

1. **Background**: The federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) [40 CFR 141, Subpart I] require all public water systems to conduct an inventory of all the service lines in the system; a service line is the pipe that connects the water main of the distribution system to the plumbing in a building or home. During the inventory if any service lines are lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or lead status unknown, then all persons served by these lines must be notified of the status of their service lines. Civil Engineering has completed an initial service line inventory for the Creech AFB Public Water System (NV0001081) in 2024; the drinking water service line material could not be determined for the buildings listed in Table 1. Buildings constructed before 1988 are more likely to have plumbing, solder, and fixtures that contain lead. This communication serves to notify you of this potential risk and to provide information to help you reduce the risk of lead exposure.

Table 1: Creech AFB Unknown Lead Service Lines

Building	Facility Address	Date Built	Service Line Category
Chapel (Bldg. 402)	1902 Parish	1986	Unknown Lead Status
HQ Group (Bldg. 404)	N/A	1986	Unknown Lead Status
HQ Group (Bldg. 406)	1904 Parish	1986	Unknown Lead Status

- 2. **Health Effects of Lead**: Because your service line material is unknown, there is the potential that some or all of the line could be made of lead or galvanized pipe that was previously connected to lead. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney, or nervous system problems.
- 3. **Assessment**: An investigation process and replacement plan are underway by Civil Engineering to include identifying the material of the seven above service lines to complete the Service Line Inventory that will be made available to the installation. Furthermore, lead sampling from this year show results for the installation are below the action level for lead.
- 4. **Recommendation**: In the meantime, when your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 15-30 seconds, or until it

reaches a cool, steady temperature, before using it for drinking or cooking. Additionally, as hot water more easily dissolves minerals and metals, including lead, use only cold water for drinking or cooking. Do not boil water to remove lead.

5. For more information on reducing lead exposure around your building and the health effects of lead, visit EPA's website at http://www.epa.gov/lead or contact your health care provider. For additional information about your water system contact Bioenvironmental Engineering at 702-653-3316 or usaf.nellis.99-mdg.list.99-omrs-sgpb-all-personnel@health.mil.

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