

Legislation Text

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Pertaining to the provision of water pitchers and filters for those customers whose lead water service has been disturbed during construction.

**WHEREAS**, Saint Paul Regional Water Services ("SPRWS") has been routinely replacing the street portion of lead water services since the late 1980s as part of ongoing infrastructure improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, recent studies have shown that the levels of lead in drinking water may increase for a few weeks to several months following such a partial lead water service replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, SPRWS provides its customers with information on recommended maintenance practices following a partial lead water service replacement, which includes initial and ongoing flushing and cleaning of faucet aerators to minimize lead in the drinking water; and

**WHEREAS**, a point-of-use filtering device such as a water pitcher with filter, when used according to manufacturer recommendations, is effective in removing dissolved and particulate lead from water; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Water Commissioners hereby authorizes staff to purchase and distribute water pitchers and filters sufficient for six months of normal household use to customers who have undergone a partial lead water service; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the provision of the water pitcher and filters shall be at no cost to such customers.