Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

SLIM (Service Line Inventory Material) Resident Questionnaire

To complete this survey, you will need a smart phone (camera), a coin, a key or another tool, and a magnet.

Question 1: Customer Contact information (write in)

- Account number:
- Name:
- Address:
- Email address:

Question 2: Locate the water service line coming into your home/building.
The service line comes into your building from the street. It is typically located in a utility room on the lowest level of the building or in a crawl space. Ther service line will be connected to the water meter, if you have one. Identify a test area on the pipe between the point where it enters the building and the inlet valve/meter. If the pipe is covered or wrapped, expose a small area of metal.

- Were you able to find your drinking water service line?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☐ No

Question 3: Were you able to perform a scratch test?
Scratch test instructions: Use the coin, key, or another tool to carefully scratch the pipe (like you would a lottery ticket). If your line is painted, you may need sandpaper to clear a small area.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Question 4: What was the color result after the scratch test?

- ☐ Shiny and silver – Lead
- ☐ Copper colored (like a penny) – Copper
- ☐ Dull and gray – Galvanized
- ☐ Visibly plastic (White and rigid) – Plastic

Question 5: Were you able to perform a magnet test?
Magnet test instructions: Place the magnet on the pipe.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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Question 6: What was the result of the magnet test?

☐ The magnet does not stick to the pipe

☐ The magnet sticks to the pipe



You have a lead pipe if...

The Scratch Test
...the scraped area is shiny and silver.

The Magnet Test
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.



You have a copper pipe if...

The Scratch Test
...the scraped area is copper in color, like a penny.

The Magnet Test
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.



You have a galvanized pipe if...

The Scratch Test
...the scraped area remains a dull gray.

The Magnet Test
...the magnet sticks to the pipe.

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Question 7: Submit a photo of the pipe tested

Question 8: Additional information here: