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- To: Parents and Staff, Support Site Youth-Teen Center, U.S. Naval Support Activity, Naples, Italy
- Subj: U.S. NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, NAPLES, ITALY SUPPORT SITE YOUTH-TEEN CENTER DRINKING WATER
- Encl: (1) Overview of Testing Results for Lead in Drinking Water and Corrective Actions for NSA Naples Support Site Youth-Teen Center (Building 2072)
 - (2) Support Site Youth-Teen Center Complete Test Results
 - (3) Floor Plan of the Support Site Youth-Teen Center

1. The safety and health of the children and staff at our Child Development Centers (CDC), schools, and Youth-Teen Centers (YTC) is my top priority. In my earlier letter announcing our lead in drinking water testing program, I told you we are testing all water outlets that could potentially be used for cooking, washing, or drinking at our CDCs, schools, and YTCs.

2. We received the results of recent water testing of 24 YTC drinking water outlets. Of these, three outlets tested higher than Navy screening level of 15 parts per billion (PPB) for lead, which is the level requiring action to include additional testing and corrective measures. Lead in drinking water typically comes from the existing plumbing inside buildings including service lines, fittings, solder, water coolers, or water faucets. Lead is more likely to be found in drinking water when the water has not been run for an extended period of time and has been sitting in the system (e.g., overnight, weekends, etc.).

3. The lead levels were higher than the screening level at sinks in rooms 28.1 (kitchen, two outlets), and the playground water fountain. After receiving the test results, we immediately took these water outlets out of service. Details on the corrective actions we plan to take to reduce the amount of lead in water at these fixtures are discussed in enclosure (1). Enclosure (2) indicates the location of the fixtures that had lead levels higher than the screening level.

4. Here are some additional resources you may find informative:

a. EPA (lead in drinking water in schools and day care centers): https://www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/lead-drinking-water-schools-and-child-care-facilities

b. Annual water quality report for the installation: https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnreurafcent/installations/nsa_naples/om/environmental_supp ort/drinking_water_consumer_confidence_report.html

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5. If you have any health questions or concerns, I encourage you to set up a virtual visit with your health care provider through TRICARE Online or call the U.S Naval Hospital, Naples, Italy main appointment line (629-6000, or 081-11-6000). Virtual visits afford the time required for you to address particular concerns with your primary care provider.

6. Rest assured that my team and I will continue to monitor, test water quality, and take actions where necessary at the Support Site YTC to ensure our drinking water lead levels are lower than screening levels. I am committed to the safety and health of all personnel and family members using our facilities and will keep you updated on this issue.

7. For further information, please contact LT Jamie E. Moroney, Public Affairs Officer, at DSN: 314-626-5912, COMM: +39-081-568-5912, or e-mail: jamie.moroney@eu.navy.mil.

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Overview of Testing Results for Lead in Drinking Water and Corrective Actions for NSA Naples Support Site Youth-Teen Center (YTC) (Building 2072)

The Navy is committed to maintaining safe drinking water on its installations. The Acqua Campania aqueduct water supplied to the Navy and the Navy's water distribution system is regularly tested and in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. Because lead exposure is a particular concern for children, and lead may be added to drinking water due to its presence in pipes, fittings, solder, and fixtures inside a building, the Navy policy requires that we test the lead content of drinking water in priority areas such as Youth-Teen Centers (YTCs), Schools, and Child Development Centers (CDCs) every five years.

Navy environmental personnel conducted lead testing at the NSA Naples Support Site YTC in accordance with Navy and EPA guidelines. Samples from various locations in the Support Site YTC were sent to the U.S. Army Public Health Center certified laboratory for analysis.

At the NSA Naples Support Site YTC, outlets used for drinking and washing were tested. Out of 24 samples collected, 3 water outlets initially tested above the Navy screening level of 15 parts per billion (ppb) for lead in drinking water in schools and CDCs.

The three outlets that exceeded the screening level of 15 ppb were two kitchen sinks located in room 28.1 and a water fountain in the playground outside Bldg. 2072, which tested at 19 ppb, 19 ppb and 24 ppb, respectively. Since follow-up testing indicated that the elevated levels of lead appeared to be caused by the components of the water faucets, these water faucets were secured rendering them unusable. New faucets will be installed and additional follow-up testing will be conducted to verify that the new faucets are below the screening level of 15 ppb.

A copy of all test results is enclosed for your information. The test results are presented in two tables:

- Table 1 <u>Summary of Results</u> summarizes the data by category of use (e.g., drinking, cooking, and washing).
- Table 2 Summary Statistics summarizes all the data.

A floor plan of the NSA Naples Support Site YTC has also been included to show the locations for the fixtures that exceeded 15 ppb.

Table 1 provides a description of each sampling location using three columns: *Category*, *Sampling ID*, and *Outlet Description*. The *Category* column gives information about whether the outlet is used for drinking water (water fountain), cooking (food preparation), or washing (primarily hand-washing or brushing teeth). The *Sample ID* column is the identification used to label each sample bottle. The *Outlet Description* column contains additional information to describe the outlet sampled under each category.

The next set of columns in **Table 1** provide *Initial Sampling Results*, and for those locations that exceeded the recommended screening level of 15 ppb the *Re-sampling Results*.

EPA sampling protocol requires water to not be used for between 8 and 18 hours prior to first draw sampling. Therefore, *Initial Sampling Results* were from first draw samples collected early in the morning before the YTC opened and before any water was used. The *Initial Sampling Results* also indicate whether resampling is required and the date that fixtures greater than 15 ppb were secured. Outlets that exceeded 15 ppb are highlighted in yellow.

The *Re-sampling Results* section includes columns for *First Draw* and *Follow up Flush* samples which help determine the source of lead. For cooking and washing outlets, aerators were removed and cleaned before retesting:

- If the lead concentration of both the *First Draw* and the 30 second flush sample resulted in lower than 15 ppb lead, the <u>aerators</u> were the source of lead and the outlet can be used for drinking if the aerators are cleaned on a regular basis. None of the outlets tested fit in this category.
- If the lead concentration of the resampled *First Draw* (but not the follow up 30 second flush) was greater than 15 ppb, the fixture was the source of lead. These fixtures can be used if water is flushed for 30 seconds before first use of the day or if the fixtures are replaced and retesting confirms that the new fixtures do not leach lead. The sinks in room 28.1 (two outlets) and the water fountain in the playground outside Bldg. 2072 fit in this category. The faucets for these sinks and the water fountain will be replaced, and additional follow-up testing will be conducted to verify that the new fountains are below the screening level of 15 ppb.
- If the lead concentration of the sample following the 30 second flush was greater than 15 ppb and greater than the lead concentration of the first draw resample, the source of lead is the plumbing upstream of the outlet. These outlets should be disconnected/removed from service unless upstream plumbing is replaced. None of the outlets tested fit in this category.

The *Corrective Actions* column describes actions that are being implemented to remediate the source of lead. In the event that fixtures or upstream piping are replaced (e.g. faucets in rooms 28.1 (two outlets) and the water fountain, there are columns for additional follow-up testing data. This testing will be conducted once the fixtures are replaced, to confirm that the corrective actions are successful in reducing lead below 15 ppb.

To learn more about lead in drinking water in schools and day care centers visit the following EPA website: <u>https://www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/lead-drinking-water-schools-and-child-care-facilities</u>.

To learn more about the installation's public water supplier, see their annual water quality report: Region-specific links

https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnreurafcent/installations/nsa_naples/om/environmental_supp_ort/drinking_water_consumer_confidence_report.html

To answer any questions you may have on the sampling program contact the NSA Naples Public Affairs Officer at pao_naples@eu.navy.mil. If you have any health questions or concerns, I encourage you to set up a Virtual Visit with your health care provider through TRICARE Online or call the hospital's main appointment line (629-6000, or 081-11-6000). Virtual Visits afford the time required for you to address particular concerns with your primary care provider.

Enclosures:

- 1. Support Site Youth-Teen Center Complete Test Results
- 2. Floor Plan of the Support Site Youth-Teen Center

Summary Results Table Priority Areas Lead Testing and Corrective Actions (2021) NSA NAPLES Support Site Youth - Teen Center Bldg. 2072

SAMPLING LOCATION DESCRIPTION				INITIAL SAMPLING RESULTS			RE-SAMPLING RESULTS		CORRECTIVE ACTIONS	POST-CORRECTIVE ACTION SAMPLING RESULTS		
				Lead Screening Level of 15 ppb			Lead Screening Level of 15 ppb			1	Recommeded Level = 15 ppb	
CATEGORY [Water's intended use]	SAMPLE ID [Use same nomenclature as baseline sample	Outlet Description [At a minimum, room number and type of outlet; include filter identification and whether a motion	Comments [Provide, for example, whether filter was removed, staining was present, any identifying marks]	First Draw (ppb) [numeric value]	Retest required? [YES or NO]	Date Fixture Secured? (See Note 1)	Water Fountain/Chiller 15 min. Follow up Flush Sample - Collected day before First Draw	First Draw (ppb) [numeric value]	Follow up Flush - Collected 30 seconds after First Draw Sampling (ppb)	Description [Enter brief description of remediation activities; for example, replace fixture, add a point of use decive,		Follow up Flush - Collected 30 seconds after First Draw Sampling (ppb)
	event]	sensor faucet or blended water, as applicable]				[N/A if First Draw is ≤ 15ppb; otherwise mm/dd/yyyy]	Sampling (ppb) [numeric value]		[numeric value]	check grounding wires, replace lead piping, reconfigure piping, permanently close outlet, implement aerator maintenance program]	[numeric value]	[numeric value]
SAMPLING DATE				3/13/2021			mm/dd/yyyy	7/1/2021	7/1/2021		mm/	dd/yyyy
RESULTS DATE				05/20-24/2021			mm/dd/yyyy	7/23/2021	7/23/2021		mm/	dd/yyyy
DRINKING	SS-YTC-LP-006	22a Water fountain cooler		3.3	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
DRINKING	SS-YTC-LP-015	34a Water fountain cooler		4.8	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
DRINKING	SS-YTC-LP-027	6.2 External water fountain (East of 2072)		15	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only		
DRINKING	SS-YTC-LP-028	6.2 External water fountain (playground)		24	YES	6/4/2021	N/A	32	2.5	Replace fixture	N/A	N/A
COOKING	SS-YTC-LP-025	Kitchen sink A		19	YES	6/4/2021	N/A	44	1.2	Replace fixture	N/A	N/A
COOKING	SS-YTC-LP-026	Kitchen sink B		19	YES	6/4/2021	N/A	50	1.1	Replace fixture	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-001	20a Handicap bathroom		3.8	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-002	20 Bathroom high hand washing A		3.9	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-003	20 Bathroom high hand washing B		6	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-004	20 Bathroom high hand washing C		4.4	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-005	22a Handicap bathroom		3.9	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-007	22 Bathroom high hand washing A		3.8	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-008	22 Bathroom high hand washing B		4.3	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-009	22 Bathroom high hand washing C		4.6	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-012	34 Bathroom high hand washing A		5.4	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-013	34 Bathroom high hand washing B		4.6	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-014	34 Bathroom high hand washing C		3.7	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-016	34a Handicap bathroom		4.5	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-017	36 Bathroom high hand washing A		3.4	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-018	36 Bathroom high hand washing B		3.2	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-019	36 Bathroom high hand washing C		3.2	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-020	36a Handicap bathroom		4.1	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-021	6.2 Room high hand washing		2.2	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A
WASHING	SS-YTC-LP-022	4.2 Room high hand washing		3.6	NO	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Routine Control Measures Only	N/A	N/A

Notes:

¹ Affected outlets were immediately secured after receiving verbal communication from the lab on results exceeding the recommended level of 15 ppb.

² Post-remediation sampling will be conducted once the fixtures are replaced to confirm that the corrective actions are successful in reducing lead below 15 ppb.

Table 2. Summary Statistics

	INITIAL SAMPLING RESULTS	RE-SAMPLI	POST-CORRECTIVE					
CATEGORY		ACTION RESULTS						
	Lead Screening Level of 15 ppb First Draw (ppb) Water Fountain First Draw (ppb) Follow up Flush							
Total Drinking	4	N/A	1	1	First Draw (ppb) N/A			
Total Drinking > 15 ppb	1	N/A	1	0	N/A			
Total Cook	2	N/A	2	2	N/A			
Total Cook> 15 ppb	2	N/A	2	0	N/A			
Total Washing	18	N/A	0	0	N/A			
Total Washing > 15 ppb	0	N/A	0	0	N/A			
Total Samples	24	N/A	3	3	N/A			
Total Samples > 15 ppb	3	N/A	3	0	N/A			

