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ACTION BRIEF

Staff Section: AC/S Facilities

Date: APR 4 1988

Subj: PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

Encl: (1) NC Dept of HumRes ltr of 29 Feb 88
       (2) Notice to Water System Customers

Problem: Issuance of Public Notification.

Background: As stated in enclosure (1), amendments to the Safe
Drinking Water Act (Public Law 93-523) enacted in June of 1986
require that the owner or operator of each community water system
shall issue notice to persons served by the system that may be
affected by lead contamination of their drinking water. Notice
shall be given even if there is no violation of the primary
drinking water regulation for lead.

Discussion: Public notification of lead in drinking water is
required for all persons aboard Camp Lejeune serviced by the six
water treatment plans on Base. Even if the water is demonstrated
to be lead free, a public notification to the water customers is
required. The State has furnished a model public notification
which is to be used as a minimum for notice. To date, water
samples have indicated lead content to be below the maximum
level, and new samples are to be analyzed in this calendar year
as part of a recurring three-year program for testing heavy metal
content in drinking water. Public notification shall comply with
the criteria furnished by the State's recommendations.

Recommendation: Joint Public Affairs publish public notifica-
tion for lead in drinking water as required by the public law.
Enclosure (2) is a proposed notification. The public notifica-
tion should be published in the "Globe" once a month for three
consecutive months beginning no later than 19 June 1988.

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