



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Clark B. Freise, Assistant Commissioner

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«OWNER» «CO_OWNER»
«MAIL1» «MAIL2»
«MAIL_CITY» «MAIL_STATE» «MAIL_ZIP»

Subject: Gasoline-related testing of water supply well at:
«ADDRESS», «TOWN», NH

Dear Property Owner,

A review of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) records indicates a property you own may be served by a well located near an area that is potentially vulnerable to gasoline contamination. **NHDES does not know whether gasoline components, such as methyl tertiary butyl ether (MtBE) have impacted your well.** Laboratory analysis of your drinking water is the only way to find out.

The purpose of this letter is to ensure that you are aware of the potential for contamination and invite you to participate in a NHDES well sampling program. NHDES will collect a sample and provide you with a copy of the results. This work will be performed **at no cost to you**. If concentrations of MtBE are determined to be above the health-based drinking water standard, NHDES may also pay for the costs associated with installing and maintaining a treatment system or provide you with an alternative source of drinking water. NHDES is able to perform this work at no cost due to a MtBE settlement fund collected from a lawsuit pursued against refineries and gasoline manufacturers. More information may be obtained from our website at:

<http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/waste/mtbe/index.htm>

NHDES recommends that all well owners have their water tested in order to understand common problems with drinking water quality. Due to settlement fund restrictions, NHDES can only pay for a MtBE-related (VOC) analysis, which also includes other common gasoline and chemical contaminants (\$120 value). However, NHDES can collect any other samples that you would like to have analyzed and deliver them to the laboratory along with the VOC sample. If you elect to have additional analyses added, you will need to pay for those analyses.

If you would like to have your well sampled by NHDES please contact Tina Clark at (603) 271-7174 or send an email to Tina.Clark@des.nh.gov to set up an appointment. If you have any questions about the sampling program please don't hesitate to contact me at (603) 271-8483 or Deborah.Loiselle@des.nh.gov. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Deborah Loiselle
Sampling Program Supervisor / MtBE Remediation Bureau