

Service Line Material Inventory Questions & Answers

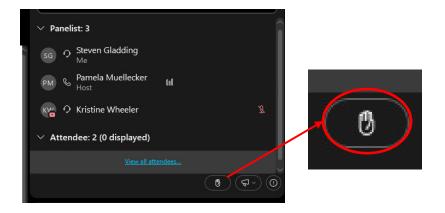
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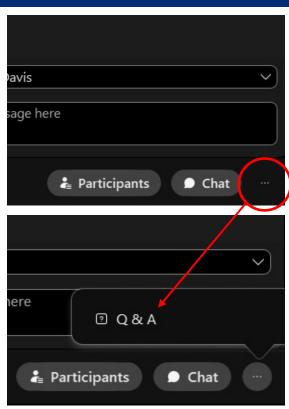
To ask a question

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Raise Hand to ask a question at the end







Definitions





What is a lead service line (LSL)?

Any portion of pipe that is made of lead, which connects the water main to the building inlet that may be owned by the water system, the property owner, or both.

If any portion of an SL is made of lead, the SL is the LSL







What is a galvanized service line requiring replacement (GSLRR)?

- A galvanized service line that was or currently is downstream of an LSL, or an SL of unknown material.
- If a water system can't demonstrate that the galvanized service line was never downstream of an LSL, it must presume there was an upstream LSL.





What is a non-lead service line (non-LSL)?

An SL determined not to be lead or not to be GSLRR through an evidence-based record, method, or technique.

What is a lead status unknown service line (unknown SL)?

An SL where its material is not known to be lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or a non-lead service line, such as where there is no documented evidence supporting material classification.



What is the so-called Lead Ban?

For this presentation, "Lead Ban" means June 1986, when EPA banned using lead pipes delivering drinking water, or a date when a municipality banned using lead pipes, if earlier.







What is a gooseneck, pigtail, or connector?

 A short section of piping, typically not exceeding two feet, which can be bent and used for connections between rigid service piping.



frequently asked questions

- Lead goosenecks, pigtails, or connectors (collectively called "goosenecks" for this presentation) are not part of the LSL.
- If the only lead piping serving the home is a gooseneck and it is not a GSLRR, the service line is not an LSL.



LCRR & LCRI

(in a Nutshell)





Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR)

LSL Inventory

- LSL Replacement
- Monitoring
- Public Education and Notification
- Reporting
- Corrosion Control Study and Treatment
- Small System Flexibility
- "Find-and-Fix"

Will be replaced with the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI)





LCRI in a Nutshell

Lead Service Line Replacement Plan

Requirements for replacing all lead service lines?

Prioritizing Historically Underserved Communities

 Replace all lead service lines with prioritizing underserved communities.

Compliance Tap Sampling

 Reviewing available data to strengthen compliance with tap sampling requirements.

Trigger Level (TL) and Action Level (AL)

- Reviewing the need for the TL.
- Lowering the AL?



Service Line Inventory Q & A



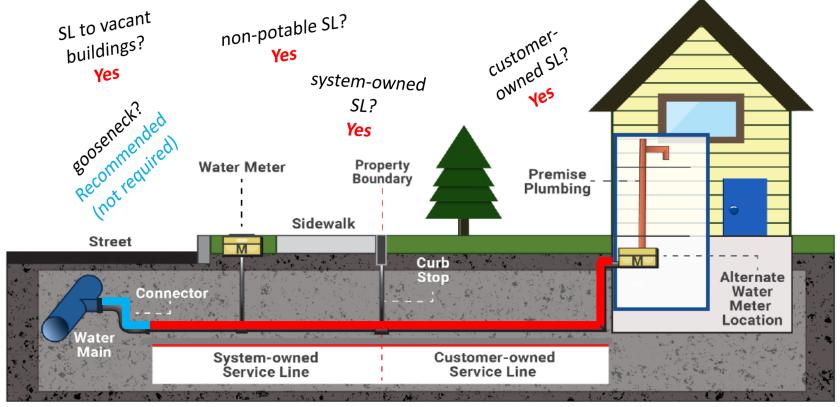
What system needs to prepare an SLI?

Every NTNC and federally defined CWS

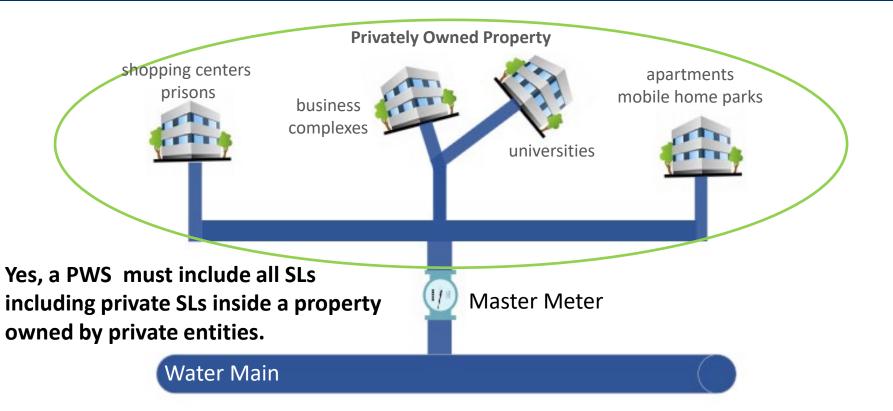
- Systems with no LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL? Yes
- Systems eligible for the 9-year monitoring cycle under the LCR?
 Yes
- Mobile Home Parks? Yes
- NTNC Businesses? Yes



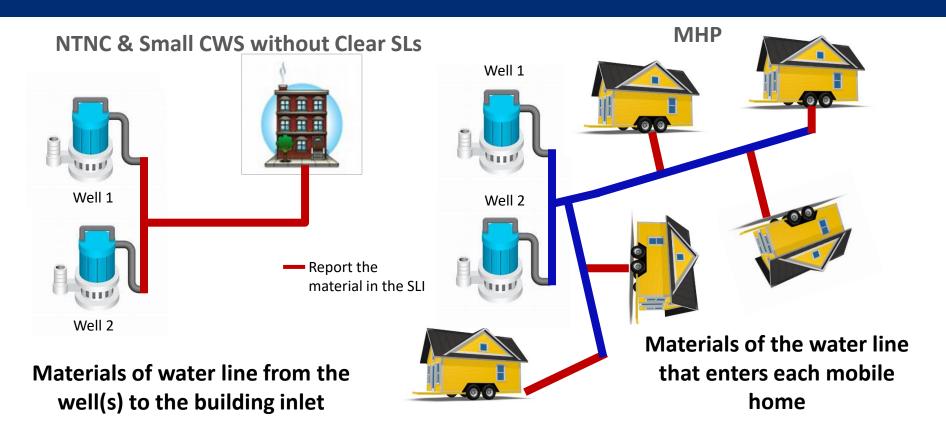
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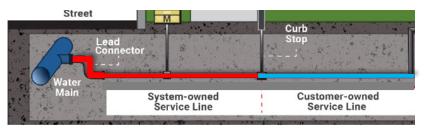
Should I include these SLs?

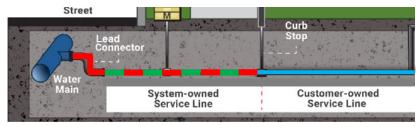


What water line should I report?

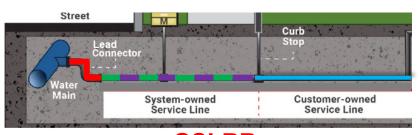


Lead Gooseneck & GSLRR, it's complicated

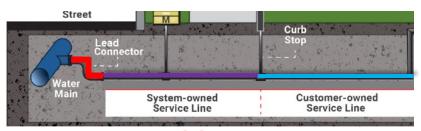




GSLRR



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A gooseneck material doesn't affect the determination of galvanized SL between the GSLRR and non-lead SL!

GSLRR

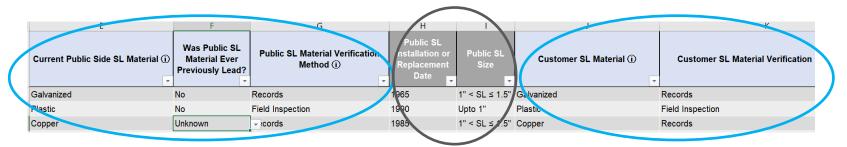
currently lead currently non-lead but previously lead

currently unknowngalvanized steel

currently non-lead including galvanized but previously unknown

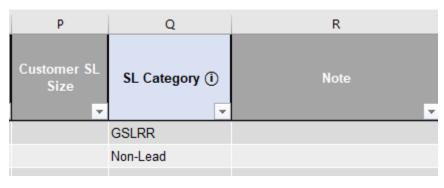


What do I need to include in the inventory?



All columns with headings in blue are required entries.

Columns with headings in grey are recommended but not required.



Do not type or paste in column Q, "SL Category." The template will **automatically determine SL types** based on the information entered.

What do I need to include in the inventory? (continued)

Required Fields Recommended Fields Address. Lead goose neck present? Current public side SL material. Public/customer SL installation or Was public side SL ever lead? replacement date. Public SL material verification Public/customer SL size. method. Lead solder present? Customer SL material. Building type. Customer SL material verification method. POU/POE treatment present?



What do I need to include in the inventory? (continued)

PWS ID Number II. Contact Information for Owner / Licensed Operator of Record Completing the Form Contact Phone Number Contact Phone Number Contact Email Address	Fill out sections boxed	d in red, I, II, IV & V.
III. Summary of Inventory 2	Do not fill out Section III. It'll be automatically filled based on information provided in the LSL template workbook.	Important Name your inventory as LSLI_NYPWSID# For example: LSLI_NY1234567
IV. Inventory Availability - The inventory must be available to public If 50,000 customers or greater: Posting the inventory online water system's website. If under 50,000 customers: Explain how to access the inventory >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	7.	I title of the person



What if customers own the entire SL?

Treat SLs as if ownership splits. Enter information about the SL section from the main to the curb stop in the "Public Side SL" information columns (from D to I); and about the SL section from the curb stop to the building inlet in the "Customer SL" columns (from J to P).

- SL from the main to the curb stop enter SL information in the "Public Side SL" columns (from columns D to I).
- SL from the curb stop to the building inlet enter SL information in the "Customer SL" columns (from J to P).
- Leave a note in the "Note" column (column R), e.g., "customers own the entire SL."



Acceptable Identification Methods

- Available Record Search.
- **Excavation.**
- Visual Observation (including inspection with a camera)
 Public Outreach.
 - Scratch/Magnet Test.
 - Lead Test Kit (for identifying lead solder).
 - Other Methods for Planning (verification is required)
 - Sequential Tap Sampling.
 - Predictive/Probability Model.





What are acceptable records?

- Construction, service line, and meter installations, permits, maintenance, or any records which indicate the service line material; distribution system maps; local plumbing codes, etc.
- Engineering plans and specifications.

Any inspection reports and records that indicate the service

line composition.

Not confident in the accuracy of records?

Perform physical confirmation

cross-check records with other records, field investigations, previous SL investigations, and customer self-identification of SL materials







Is sampling acceptable, if so what kind?

Sequential Profile Maximum Concentration (SPMC)

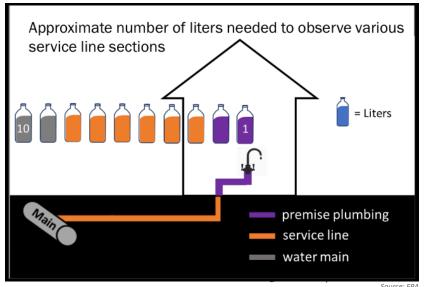
Weighted Average Sequential Lead Concentration (WASLC)

Not acceptable (may change in the future).

First Draw Sample

Fully Flushed Water Sample

Fully Flushed Sample Maximum Flow Concentration Acceptable with some physical verification for systems not adding a corrosion inhibitor.





Do all model results need physical verification?

NYS will accept some model results without physical verification on a case-by-case basis.

Provide sufficient information to the State and the LHD to evaluate how much physical verification is adequate. Examples of the information include:

- a number of unknown SLs.
- a number of known SLs.
- completeness of historical SL materials records.
- random physical verification process such as the proposed number of SLs that will be physically verified.
- confidence interval for the model.

Note: A State's initial determination for a required physical verification rate can be revised based on the accuracy of physical confirmation results.



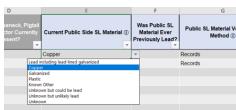
Our PWS was built after June 1986 (or the local "lead ban").

If you have the following records, choose SL materials in column E and column J from the dropdown menu:

- written records showing the entire distribution system was constructed after June 1986 or a local "lead ban;" and
- the entire length of customer-owned SL was installed after June 1986 or the lead ban.

NYSDOH LSLI Template will automatically determine qualifying SL as "non-Lead" in

column Q ("SL Category"). No further verification is required. If you do not have such records, you need to verify the SL material.





What is a customer's self-identification?

Surveys or interviews followed by verifications by a water system. Must provide sufficient information to assist customers in accurately identifying SL materials.

- Hard copy surveys Homeowners fill out a simple form indicating their SL material and provide a picture to be verified.
- Online surveys Homeowners take a survey and upload pictures simultaneously.
- All customer-identified service line materials must be verified by a water system.
- May not receive good public participation without extensive outreach.



Can I use customers' identification of their SL materials?







Photos like these and magnet test results provided by a customer don't require further verification by PWS staff.





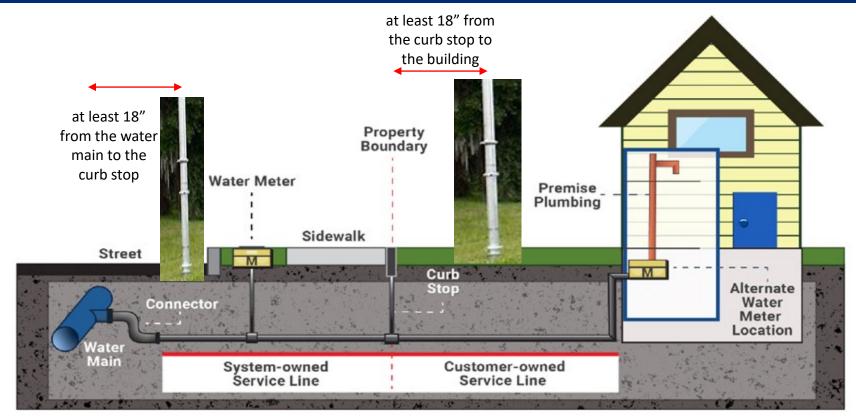


If a photo looks like one of these, you need further verification, e.g., a site visit by PWS staff or a professional plumber.

The video for "how to identify drinking water SL materials" is available at: https://www.health.ny.gov/environmental/water/drinking/lead/; and at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PcO5FCE9Vfw



What is acceptable potholing (a.k.a. hydro-vacuum)?



Record Research

Where should I start?

Engineering plans Research

Construction, inspection and any records indicating SL materials.

& specs.

Records **During normal** operations, e.g., reading a water meter or Maintenance distribution system repair, check encountered service line materials.

Identify unknown service lines

Excavation

Traditional trenching Hydro-vacuum

Camera inspection

Construction, inspection, and any records indicating SL materials, including property tax records

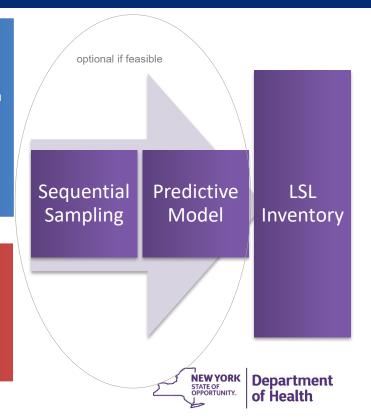
Identify unknown SLs

Educate customers Self -identification to identify their SL materials.

Confirm selfidentified SL materials.

Visual Inspection

Visual identification by WTP staff Camera inspection Hydro-vacuum





Where do I submit the inventory?

PWS

- Submit the initial inventory to the LHD via e-mail or a cloud storage service (e.g., SharePoint or Google Drive).
- Comply with the public notification requirements.

LHD

- Review the inventory for completeness and accuracy.
- May request supporting documents.
- Forward the PWS's inventory to the State.
- Enter the inventory in SDWIS.

NYSDOH

May require supporting documents and/or ask questions.



Department of Health



Should we have our inventory available to the public?

If your system has any LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL:

- Have the inventory publicly accessible.
 - PWSs serving > 50,000 persons publicly accessible inventory available online.
- Instructions to access the inventory must be included in Annual Water Quality Report.
- Update annually (or triennially if on reduced monitoring) to reflect changes from the previous year.



What do I need to tell our customers who have LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL?

WHEN

initially, within 30 days of completion of the LSL inventory, & annually thereafter

TO WHOM

all customers served by an LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL

HOW

by mail or another method approved by the State

WHAT

- A notice of the customer's SL material (LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL)
- Health effects of lead, using current required language
- Steps to take to reduce exposure to lead in drinking water
- Information about opportunities to replace LSLs or GSLRR
- Information about opportunities to verify the service line material

Notification Requirements



How do I make our inventory available to the Public?

NYS does not have required formats.

- Interactive web-based map which may have a real-time update capability (most powerful tool).
- Static map.
- Searchable online database, e.g., the inventory prepared using the NYS DOH template at the water system's website.
- Printed maps, tables, or spreadsheets (not recommended unless a system has less than a few hundred SLs).





I don't have any LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SLs

Issue a written statement declaring that there is no LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL instead of having a full inventory available.

include a general description of all sources used for the determination.

not required to provide inventory updates unless they find any LSLs.

must prepare an updated inventory on a schedule established by the State if find any LSLs, GSLRR, or unknown SLs in your system in the future.

You must still prepare and submit the initial inventory. The written statement is not a substitute for the initial inventory.



How often do I need to submit updates?

Update the inventory at the following frequencies and submit it to your LHD within 30 days of the end of each monitoring period.

- Annually if your system's monitoring frequency is semiannual or annual.
- Triennially if your system's monitoring frequency is triennial.
- No update if your system has no LSL, GSLRR, or unknown SL.

EPA may revise the inventory requirements under the future revision (LCRI). Until any change in the LCRR, a PWS must comply with the LCRR inventory requirements, including the update requirement.



Is funding available for preparing the inventory?

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, also known as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act or Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, provides funding for preparing an SL inventory for applicable water systems. Visit the following NYSDOH site for more information:

https://health.ny.gov/environmental/water/drinking/docs/lead_service_line_project_submission_guidance.pdf



Any Questions?



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