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Lead Testing Results Municipal Drinking Water

Prince Edward County has completed the first round of lead testing from volunteer residences and businesses located throughout the municipal drinking water service areas. A total of 338 samples were collected and analyzed for lead content. All 338 samples had lead levels below the Ontario provincial standard Maximum Allowable Concentration (MAC) of 0.01000 mg/L.

Lead content sample results ranged as follows:

MAC	0.01000 mg/L
MAXIMUM	0.00758 mg/L
MINIMUM	0.00002 mg/L
AVERAGE	0.00093 mg/L

The Ontario provincial standard MAC is based on the potential adverse health effects that lead exposure can cause in our most vulnerable population – pregnant women and young children. For more information on lead in drinking water, please visit the Water and Wastewater Services **Resources and Links** web page at www.pecounty.on.ca/water.

The County would like to thank all of the customers that volunteered their homes and businesses for the first round of lead testing.

The next round of lead testing will begin in June 2008. Anyone interested in volunteering their home or business for the next round of lead testing, please contact Dan Cassidy, Asset Technician at 613-476-3537 or dcassidy@pecounty.on.ca.

For general information on water or wastewater treatment, facilities or rates please visit **Water and Wastewater Services** online at www.pecounty.on.ca/water.

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