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October 5, 2020

Mr. Tim Gehring Director of Facilities Management Worthington City School District 250 East Wilson Bridge Road Worthington, Ohio 43085

Re: Report of Findings for the Legionella Environmental Sampling

Facility: Slate Hill Elementary School

Address: 7625 Alta View Blvd, Worthington, OH 43085

Sample Date: September 24, 2020

**L&A Project No: 20-0441** 

Dear Mr. Gehring,

Lawhon & Associates, Inc. (L&A) performed environmental sampling to document concentrations of *Legionella* in the building's domestic water system. This testing was performed as a proactive measure to ensure *Legionella* concentrations are at acceptable levels following a period of reduced occupancy. L&A's conclusions and recommendations relevant to the sampling performed are presented in this document.

### **METHODOLOGY**

L&A performed environmental sampling for *Legionella* at the site on September 24, 2020. Field activities included a visual assessment of conditions, documentation of water temperatures and the collection of representative water samples for analysis to document *Legionella* concentrations. All activities were performed in accordance with recommendations published by OSHA, AIHA, CDC and current infection control literature. The samples were sent cold, by overnight mail, to U.S. Micro-Solutions, Inc, Greensburg, Pennsylvania for analysis by culture method. This lab is certified to perform *Legionella* analysis through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Environmental *Legionella* Isolation Techniques Evaluation (Elite) Certification Program. U.S. Micro-Solutions, Inc. is also accredited by the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) through the Environmental Microbiology Proficiency Analytical Testing (EMPAT) Program.

### **FINDINGS**

L&A collected ten (10) water samples from the domestic water system on this date. A summary of the analytical results is presented in Table 1. The comprehensive data set is presented in Appendix A. A copy of the laboratory report is included as Appendix B.

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**Table 1: Domestic Water Sampling Results** 

Location	Fixture	Water Source	Analytical Data (CFU/ml)
Boiler Room	Municipal Water Supply	Cold	ND
Boiler Room	Hot Water Tank	Hot	ND
Kitchen	Faucet	Hot	5
Classroom 40	Faucet	Hot	5
Classroom 33	Faucet	Hot	5
Classroom Z24	Faucet	Hot	60
Classroom Y16	Faucet	Hot	10
XYZ Corridor	Bottle Filing Station	Cold	ND
XYZ Restroom Corridor	Faucet	Hot	ND
Admin Restroom	Faucet	Hot	5

<sup>1.</sup> ND. Legionella species were not present above detection limits for the analytical method used.

### **CONCLUSIONS**

L&A conducted representative sampling of the domestic water system servicing Slate Hill Elementary School. As illustrated in Table 1, analytical results indicate that *Legionella pneumophila*, which is responsible for more than 90% of Legionnaire's Disease cases, was not detected at any location. *Legionella feeleii*, a species rarely associated with illness and widely distributed in water, was present in six of the ten locations sampled, with two at or slightly above the OSHA guideline (10 CFU/ml); the percentage of samples that tested positive for *Legionella* (60%) was also above the guideline prescribed by CDC (30%). L&A recommends that the domestic water outlets in the building be flushed for a minimum of five minutes.

### CLOSURE

L&A has prepared this report for your use in accordance with generally accepted inspection and testing practices. The information obtained in this report is site and time specific and pertains to this project only. This inspection evaluated the conditions that were readily accessible at the time of the investigation of the subject property and does not warrant against hidden conditions or future alteration of conditions at the site, as well as subsequent changes in regulations. The opinions expressed in this report are based on L&A's experience, relevant literature and available information.

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<sup>2.</sup> OSHA recommends Legionella concentrations be maintained below 10 CFU/ml at domestic water outlets.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist you in this important matter. If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Karrie Bontrager at (614) 481-8600, extension 136.

Sincerely,

Karrie A. Bontrager, LEED AP Principal and Sr. Microbiologist

# **APPENDIX A**

**Comprehensive Data Set** 

Table A1: Summary of Water Sampling Data (September 24, 2020 Sampling Event)

		Sample Inform	ation				Analytical Results
Location	Concentration (CFU/ml)	Species	Sample ID	Sample Type	Temperature (°F)	Concentration (CFU/ml)	Species
Boiler Room	Municipal Water Supply	Cold	W-SHES-1	First Draw			None Detected
Boiler Room	Hot Water Tank	Hot	W-SHES-2	First Draw			None Detected
Kitchen	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-3	Flush	116.0	5	Legionella feeleii
Classroom 40	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-4	Flush	118.0	5	Legionella feeleii
Classroom 33	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-5	Flush	88.2	5	Legionella feeleii
Classroom Z24	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-6	First Draw	69.6	60	Legionella feeleii
Classroom Y16	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-7	Flush	113.4	10	Legionella feeleii
XYZ Corridor	Bottle Filing Station	Cold	W-SHES-8	Flush	58.2		None Detected
XYZ Restroom Corridor	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-9	Flush	70.6		None Detected
Admin Restroom	Faucet	Hot	W-SHES-10	Flush	102.6	5	Legionella feeleii

<sup>1.</sup> Flush Samples. Sample was collected after the fixture had run for one minute.

<sup>2.</sup> First Draw. Sample was collected immediately after the fixture was turned on.

<sup>3.</sup> None detected. No Legionella species isolated at seven days of culture.

# **APPENDIX B**

**Laboratory Analytical Report** 



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**Customer Name:** Lawhon & Associates Sample Date: **Customer Address:** 1441 King Avenue Date Received: Columbus, OH 43201 Date of Report:

September 25, 2020 October 5, 2020

September 24, 2020

**Customer Phone:** (614) 481-8600 PO Number:

(614) 481-8610 Fax: Attention: **Matt Geiger** 

Project Name/Number: 20-0441 Worthington CSD - Slate Hill Elementary School

September 25, 2020 Analysis Date: Sample Time: 0830

Analysis Time (hrs):

30.7 98162-<u>20</u>

	Customer sa	mple numbers below are uniquely identified by pref	ixing Laboratory # 98162-20
	Water/Liquid Sample(s) for	Legionella Culture - Analytical Method MIC 06 MIC	07 (ISO 11731:2017)
Sample Number	Media	Sample Description	Results of Microbial Analysis
W-SHES-1	BCYE/GPCV	Boiler Room - Municipal Water Supply - Cold - Fi	irst Draw
AS = 0.5 CFU/mL (Volume exam	mined: 100 mL)		Not Detected
W-SHES-2	BCYE/GPCV	Boiler Room - Hot Water Tank - Hot - First Draw	
AS = 0.5 CFU/mL (Volume exam	mined: 100 mL)		Not Detected
W-SHES-3	BCYE/GPCV	Kitchen - Faucet - Hot - Flush	
AS = 5 CFU/mL (Volume exami	ined: 100 mL)		Positive - 5 CFU/mL Legionella feelei
W-SHES-4	BCYE/GPCV	Classroom 40 - Faucet - Hot - Flush	
AS = 5 CFU/mL (Volume exami	ined: 100 mL)		Positive - 5 CFU/mL Legionella feelei
W-SHES-5	BCYE/GPCV	Classroom 33 - Faucet - Hot - Flush	
AS = 0.5 CFU/mL (Volume exar	mined: 100 mL)		Positive - 5 CFU/mL Legionella feelei
W-SHES-6	BCYE/GPCV	Classroom Z24 - Faucet - Hot - First Draw	
AS = 5 CFU/mL (Volume exami	ined: 100 mL)		Positive - 60 CFU/mL Legionella feelei

Notes:	

CFU/mL = colony forming units per milliliter, AS = analytical sensitivity. Results are reported as Positive or Not Detected.

A negative culture for Legionella spp. from a sample does not necessarily rule out its presence.

Results relate only to the samples tested. Results are reported as calculated. For biological data, the first and/or second digit should be considered significant.

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W-SHES-7	BCYE/GPCV	Classroom Y16 - Faucet - Hot - Flush		
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W-SHES-8	BCYE/GPCV	XYZ Corridor - Bottle Filling Station - Cold - Flush		
AS = 0.5 CFU/mL (Volume ex	ramined: 100 mL)			Not Detecte
W-SHES-9	BCYE/GPCV	XYZ Restroom Corridor - Faucet - Hot - Flush		
AS = 0.5 CFU/mL (Volume ex	amined: 100 mL)			Not Detecte
W-SHES-10	BCYE/GPCV	Admin Restroom - Faucet - Hot - Flush		
AS = 5 CFU/mL (Volume exar	mined: 100 mL)		Positive - 5 CFU/mL	Legionella

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