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To: Wholesale Customers of the Portland Water Bureau

From: Scott Bradway, Water Quality Information, Portland Water Bureau

Re: 2026 Consumer Confidence Report

As required by OAR 333-061-0043(1)(c), we are delivering the attached 2025 water quality monitoring data for use in your Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR). This memo includes notes about that data, required text, and optional text Portland is including in its own CCR. Additional information for systems that choose to buy copies of Portland's CCR to distribute to your customers is at the end of this memo.

New requirements for this year's report

In January 2026, [OHA revised the OARs](#) to adopt the changes from the [federal revised CCR rule](#). While the federal CCR rule is not effective until January 2027, OHA has made many of these new provisions a requirement beginning this year; as a result, all reports released this year must comply with these portions of the new rule.

OHA notified water providers of these changes on February 27, 2026 via email. The email is attached to this memo for your reference.

If you use OHA's CCR checklist while developing your CCR, please note that the version of OHA's CCR checklist that is currently posted on their website (revised in August 2025) does not include these new requirements. We encourage you to use OHA's CCR email to ensure you are meeting all requirements for this year's report.

Notes about the CCR draft and data

UCMR data

If you conducted UCMR monitoring in 2025 and had detections, that data needs to be included in your CCR. The OARs require that you include the range of results as well as the average. You can find more information about these requirements on [OHA's CCR webpage](#).

Report summary

This is a new requirement that must be included at the beginning of all reports. You can find the [requirements for this section in the OARs](#). I included Portland's report summary in the attached CCR draft; you may choose to use this text or write your own. Also note that this draft

text meets the requirements for Portland, and your system may require additional or different language. Refer to the OARs for more information.

Distribution system data

The distribution system data in Portland's CCR are unique to the City of Portland water system and do not accurately reflect the water in your distribution system. In the attached data table, I deleted Portland's distribution system data to avoid confusion. **Information you need to fill in is highlighted in pink.** In your own CCR, whether you purchase it from us or produce your own, you need to provide a table of contaminants detected in your distribution system per the requirements in OAR 333-061-0043.

***Cryptosporidium* data and information**

In December of 2017 (revised in November 2023), the Portland Water Bureau entered into a Bilateral Compliance Agreement (BCA) for the treatment of *Cryptosporidium*. The BCA requires Portland to include the revised language included in Appendix A of the BCA in the CCR, and I encourage all of you to include that information in your CCR as well. OARs also require systems to report any detections of *Cryptosporidium* from their source water and explain the significance of the results.

The text and data in the attached CCR draft meets the BCA and OAR requirements. I have included the monitoring results for 2025 and the *Cryptosporidium* text we will be using (prescribed language in **RED**).

New: OHA has informed us that we will be granted a two-year extension to the compliance deadline for the filtration facility, changing the deadline from September 2027 to September 2029. We are required to use the existing language in the BCA until we receive a revised agreement with updated language for the new compliance deadline. Once we have an updated agreement with revised language we will share that with you, but in the meantime we have included additional text in the CCR draft to reflect the request for an extension.

Lead information

The revisions made to the OARs in January include a number of changes to lead requirements. Here's a list of the new lead requirements for this year's report:

- [The report must notify consumers](#) that complete lead tap sampling data is available for review and must include information on how to access the data.
- [The report must include a statement](#) that a service line inventory has been prepared and include instructions to access the publicly accessible service line inventory. If the service line inventory is available online, the report must include the direct link to the inventory.
- [For systems that have galvanized requiring replacement or unknown service lines](#), the report must include information about how to obtain a copy of the service line replacement plan or a direct link to the plan if the water supplier is required to make the service line replacement plan available online.
- [The report must contain a plainly worded explanation](#) of corrosion control efforts at the water system according to OAR 333-061-0034. The water supplier may use one of the

templates provided in [subparagraph \(2\)\(f\)\(C\)\(i\) or \(ii\) of this rule](#), or use their own explanation that includes equivalent information.

- [Lead and copper data](#) must include the 90th percentile value of the most recent round(s) of sampling and the number of sampling sites exceeding the action level, [and the range of tap sampling results](#).
- Every report must include the [new](#) lead statement provided in [OAR 333-061-0043\(4\)\(d\)\(A\)](#).

This is not a comprehensive list of all lead requirements; for example there are additional requirements for systems that had an action level exceedance in 2025. You may consider confirming with OHA that your report meets all the lead requirements.

Portland's draft text meets all the new requirements and has embedded this information in a longer section about lead. You may choose to only use the required parts in your own report.

Notes about the lead section:

- Portland's notices about the availability of tap sample results and the service line inventory are [highlighted in pink](#). If you use this text, you will need to update the OHA link so that it goes to your system's results as well as the information for your system's inventory process, findings, and how the public can access the inventory.
- The prescribed language for corrosion control efforts is in [BLUE](#). There are a few options for this text in the OARs; please [review the OARs](#) to determine the text that best fits your system.
- The lead and copper monitoring results are only applicable for systems that are part of Portland's Joint Monitoring Program (JMP). [I highlighted these results and information that is only applicable to JMP systems in yellow](#). If you are not part of the JMP, you will need to update the table with your own monitoring results.
- Wholesalers that do not participate in the Lead in Water Education and Testing Program (LWET) to offer free lead-in-water tests for their customers should remove that language from their CCR. [I highlighted this text in green](#).
- The prescribed language for the new lead statement is in [RED](#).

Disclaimer about the draft text

Note that the included text, aside from the required language, is not final and may change through our internal review process. We will also be adding some additional content to the reports that is not required by the CCR Rule including updates about the filtration project and information about water quality and home plumbing.

In addition to the text we provide, you need to include any other information required for your system per OAR 333-061-0043. This could include (but is not limited to) information on any violations during 2025, required health language, variances, and contact information for the owner of the system. As previously noted, you also need to include information that meets the new CCR requirements and UCMR results if you performed monitoring in 2025.

Need guidance on crafting your CCR?

- EPA guidance: [epa.gov/ccr/how-water-systems-comply-ccr-requirements](https://www.epa.gov/ccr/how-water-systems-comply-ccr-requirements)
- OHA information, including certification details: [oregon.gov/oha/ph/healthyenvironments/drinkingwater/monitoring/Pages/ccr.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/healthyenvironments/drinkingwater/monitoring/Pages/ccr.aspx)

Ordering paper copies of Portland's report

Information about using Portland's report

As a purchasing water system, Portland provides you the option to purchase paper copies of Portland's report to distribute to your own customers. If you are considering this option, please note the following requirements you will still be responsible for:

- The City of Portland report may not meet all your regulatory requirements per OAR 333-061-0043. You may need to include additional information – see the above memo for additional information you may need to include with Portland's report before distributing to your customers.
- You must add your return address to the report before mailing. You can choose to have your return address printed on it through this order form, or you can order a blank mailing panel and add the return address yourself.
- You are responsible for mailing the reports out to your own customers. Portland prints and then mails you your reports in bulk. We do not mail reports to your customers on your behalf.

Ordering and delivery information

Ordering deadline: April 8, 2026. Place your order at portlandoregon.gov/water/OrderCCR. If you order a custom mailing panel, send the graphic art to me by this date. Portland cannot guarantee print copies after this date.

CCR delivery: early June 2026. Portland mails you the print copies you ordered.

Please reach out if you have questions about this information or the ordering process.

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Attachments

- Draft CCR text with 2025 data
- February 2026 email from OHA about changes to CCR requirements
- Lead results graphic template