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Re: Water Powered Sump Pumps

To all concerned:

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) has determined that connecting a water-powered sump pump to a potable water supply poses a severe health hazard. Therefor the Village Administrator in accordance with ORC 735.273 has added a regulation that prohibits the installation of water-powered sump pumps on any water service provided by Sheffield Village Utilities. Because water-powered sump pumps are cross connected to the drinking water supply, a subsequent drop in water pressure could draw contaminated water into the potable water system.

If you have a water-powered sump pump, please disconnect it immediately and call the Water Department office at 440-949-6210 for an inspection. Failure to comply with the regulation could result in the loss of water service. A battery-powered pump should provide adequate backup for the primary system in the event of a power or pump failure.

Respectfully,

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Village Administrator

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