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Dear Resident,

As you are aware, for several months we have been experiencing discolored water in our distribution system. Our village employees have been working diligently to isolate and address the cause - not just the symptoms - of the discolored water. While our Village Administrator has many duties and responsibilities, I have tasked this issue as her number one priority.

In recent weeks, the reports of discolored water have decreased. However, the problem has not been solved as there are still areas experiencing discolored water. Recently the Basil area of the Village had numerous reports of discolored water and on August 11, 2016, we did an overnight targeted flush of the distribution system in that area. The flush had limited success as some residents reported an improvement in their water while others reported little or no change.

Moving forward we will be cleaning and inspecting the elevated water tank this fall. The cleaning and inspection is currently scheduled for September 13, 2016, during which time the elevated tank will be out of service for three to five days. During this time there should be little to no effect on your water service as we will continue to feed water through the distribution system from our ground storage tanks. Once the elevated tank cleaning is complete, we will flush the entire distribution system in the Village. Please continue to visit our website at www.baltimoreohio.org for updates.

During this process we have been working with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and Ohio Rural Water Association. Both agencies are aware of our plans and Ohio Rural Water is assisting us in creating a comprehensive flushing plan to maximize its effectiveness.

I know the current water issues are frustrating and the village employees share in your frustration. They want to resolve this issue and are working hard to resolve it as quickly as possible. On behalf of all village employees, your patience, understanding, and support during this time is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Bradley S. Nicodemus, Mayor
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