



HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP

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To the residents of Longleaf II,

This is the sixth letter in a series of updates to the concerns voiced at the May 23, 2005 meeting of the Hilltown Township Board of Supervisors. As a reminder, the concerns raised were related to the fire sprinkler systems in the second phase of the Longleaf development.

According to Mr. Larry Wargo: **“Nothing new to report on the analysis this week, however I am scheduled with at least 6 homeowners in the next 48 hours to take fluid samples from their systems. I’ll keep you posted.”** – Via email 7/11/05

The Township is in the process of conducting the site visits. To date, we have visited 20 homes, and have another 2 scheduled for the upcoming weeks. 5 homes have reported burst or cracked pipes, 17 with leaks or slow weeps, and 3 with no problems at all. 15 homes had fire sprinkler systems installed by H.A.S. Protection, with the remaining 5 installed by Qualified.

Each system that has been reviewed appears to meet, or exceed, the minimum required standard that was in place at the time of construction. It is too early, with too little data compiled, to say with any authority that there are any trends that can be established.

If your system has been shut off, there will be no problems in conducting this inspection. The inspection is being used to gather data and review the sprinkler riser for code compliance.

If you have not provided us with a phone number or email address and are interested in participating in this voluntary inspection, please send an email with your name, address, and phone number to djenkins@hilltown.org and we will add you to the list. Although this entire process will be optional on your part, we strongly recommend that you agree, as it will allow for more complete and accurate data to evaluate.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Township so that we may include it in a future update.

Respectfully,

Daniel A. Jenkins, MCP
Fire Marshal

David W. Taylor, CBO
Building Code Official