To: All Fire Hydrant Permit Holders City of Columbus and Suburban Contract Areas

Subject: Fire Hydrant Winter Usage

Winter weather conditions dictate the following special emphasis when using fire hydrants:

Between the dates of September 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup> the fire hydrant barrel shall be pumped dry to the foot valve of the hydrant by the applicant (permit holder), IMMEDIATELY after each time the fire hydrant is operated.

Pursuant to the Columbus City Code Section 1113.03 and 2517.04, anyone violating this section of Rule and Regulation 93-3 shall be charged the amount of \$300.00 per occurrence, plus the cost of repair for any damage to the fire hydrant and appurtenances. These charges must be paid before any further permits shall be issued. No permits shall be issued to the same applicant if there are more than two occurrences during the above time period.

**REMEMBER** Water... More than a resource – a responsibility!

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