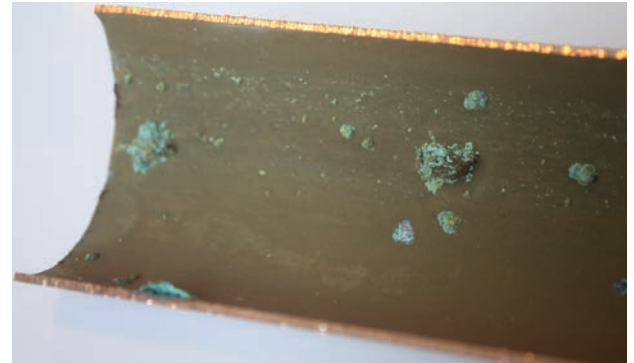


## Copper Pipe Fails in 10 Years, ePIPE Chosen to Provide Long-Term Solution to Prevent Pinhole Leaks

### The Problem:

The Olive Tree Apartments in Van Nuys, CA was experiencing pinhole leaks throughout the 154 unit complex. The complex, originally built using galvanized pipe for its potable water piping, was **repped with copper pipe, just 10 years ago**. The owners were shocked when the 10 year old copper pipe recently started experiencing pinhole leaks throughout the property.

**The number of leaks was so great that the owners of the property received a letter from their insurance stating that they were on the brink of being cancelled unless they repped or choose an alternative method such as ePIPE.** Given the rapid failure of the copper pipes they were already experiencing, and known issues with the use of PEX piping, they immediately decided against the repipe option and chose ePIPE's patented leak protection technology.



### The Solution:

**ePIPE Lead-Free, Leak-Free™ Pipe Protection.**



Using the patented ePIPE process, all 154 units were restored with **every unit having water on each night throughout the course of the project. No displacement of tenants, and minimal disruption to daily routines.**

Another benefit of using the minimally invasive ePIPE process is the lack of reconstruction costs associated with a traditional repipe. Each water main at The Olive Tree Apartments services two buildings, with the piping connecting the buildings run through the second floor walkway. Traditional repair methods would have required demolition of the walkways in order to repipe.

Property Manager in charge of the project, Mr. Dieter Tack, said "Not only was the **estimate for the epoxy coating less than the copper repipe costs**, the warranty was longer, and the process did not include many of the other associated costs and headaches of the copper repipe...the work proceeded very smoothly with the **tenants being able to return each evening to their units with the plumbing functioning properly**...Without hesitation, **I would highly recommend ePIPE to anyone looking into repiping a building.**"

### About ePIPE<sup>®</sup>

The patented ePIPE process involves restoring pipes in-place, with an application of an epoxy barrier coating resulting in a restored and protected epoxy lined piping system. The process provides a solution for slab leaks, pinhole leaks, and the reduction of lead leaching from lead pipes and lead contributors. Service providers are located in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Hong Kong, UK and Europe. For more information, contact ACE DuraFlo<sup>®</sup> Systems at [www.epipeinfo.com](http://www.epipeinfo.com) or (888) 775-0220.