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### **ePIPE® Team Awarded U.S. Patent, Bringing Lead Service Lines (LSLs) Into Compliance with EPA Guidelines for Leaching of Toxic Lead**

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA – SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 – Pipe Restoration Technologies, LLC (PRT), makers of the ePIPE®, Lead-Free, Leak-Free™ and LeadSmart® product lines, announced that it has been granted U.S. patent #9764354. This patent is related to the ePIPE system of in-place pipe restoration which **reduces lead (Pb) leaching from underground water service pipes to well below the current U.S. Environmental Protection Agency cut-off level for lead.**

“ePIPE continues to provide solutions to real-time issues by providing protection against the leaching of toxic lead, from [lead service lines](#),” Pipe Restoration Technologies CEO Larry Gillanders said. “With an **estimated 6 million lead service lines still in use in the U.S.**, ePIPE applicators save their customers time and money with the patented ePIPE process.”

**Protecting underground LSLs can be completed in under four hours per line, at a considerable cost savings when compared to replacement and often with no excavation on the home owner’s property.**

**Pipes protected with ePIPE reduce the leaching of toxic lead into drinking water to well below EPA and World Health Organization (WHO) cut-off levels.** Pipes from as small as 1/2" in diameter can be protected in-place.

### **Water Research Foundation Recommends Coating Underground Lead Service Lines**

Water Research Foundation Report 4351, released March 2017, recommends coating underground LSLs as a [repipe alternative](#). This study was jointly funded by the Water Research Foundation (WRF) and the EPA.

### **ePIPE Used in Protecting Lead Pipes “in-place” in Greater London, UK**

The ePIPE solution has been part of one of the world’s largest lead pipe remediation programs involving some 30,000 underground lead water supply pipes. [Click here](#) to learn more.

#### **About ePIPE® and LeadSmart®**

The patented ePIPE process involves restoring pipes in-place, with an application of an epoxy barrier coating resulting in a restored 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. LeadSmart is an on-site lead testing and lead remediation service, leading to a property being LeadSmart Certified. Service providers are located in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Hong Kong, UK and Europe. For more information, contact ACE DuraFlo® Systems at [www.epipeinfo.com](http://www.epipeinfo.com) or (888) 775-0220.

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