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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 or (888) 775-0220.

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