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**FROM/DE: Lanark County Detachment Ontario Provincial Police**

**DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2010**

**“WATER TESTING” SCAM OPERATING IN THE AREA.  
ACTIVE AND CURRENT.**

Officers from Lanark County Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are warning residents of another “scam” operating in the area.

Complaints have been made direct to Police and also to both Montague and Lanark Highlands Township Offices.

The general pattern is that the resident receives a telephone call asking if they want their water tested (usually at no cost). In some cases the caller indicates that they are either from the local Township or operating on the Township’s behalf.

If they say “yes” someone arrives at the home often as quickly as within 20 minutes to perform the test.

Without fail it appears that there is an issue with the quality of the water and the resident is offered the “proper” filter system for only \$4000.0.

It does not appear that anyone has parted with any money at this point.

Anyone with information is requested to contact the Ontario Provincial Police 1 888 310 1122 or use the Crime Stoppers Line 1 800 222 8477.

Contact. Provincial Constable David BIRD, Lanark County Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police.

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