

CROSS CONNECTION THE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY

“Contaminants added to the water by circumstances under the control of the consumer are not the responsibility of the supplier of water”.
(PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY - FEDERAL REGISTER, Vol. 40, No. 248, page 11.)

In a court case, this could mean that the property owner is liable for any injury resulting from a backflow incident under his control. When it comes to responsibility, it could be very costly for any property owner controlling a Domestic Water System. This responsibility could even cover injuries and/or damages that occur outside of the property owner's building. Remember that contamination of the Public Water Supply caused by a backflow incident reverts to the source of the cross-connection.