



Enforcement Alert

Making You Aware of Anticipated Enforcement Activities

Compliance and Enforcement

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DEP Steps Up Enforcement Of Chronic Late Submittal Of Drinking Water Quality Reports

Who is affected by this initiative?

Suppliers of public drinking water (this includes community and non-community systems).

Why is DEP Enforcement targeting this regulated group?

The N.J. Safe Drinking Water Act N.J.S.A. 58:12A-1 et seq. requires the submittal of reports of drinking water quality to DEP. The timely submission of data to the DEP is critical to determine drinking water quality in order to protect human health and drinking water supplies.

What is DEP doing?

The chronic late submittal of drinking water quality data is in violation of the N.J. Safe Drinking Water Act and will not be permitted. As such, DEP's Water Compliance and Enforcement Program will be actively pursuing enforcement actions against any public drinking water system determined to be a chronic late submitter. Several water systems have already been issued a penalty.

What should I do?

The following is a general list of things to check to ensure compliance and is by no means a complete list of requirements with which you need to comply.

Paper Submission:

1. Submit data on time to:

Bureau of Safe Drinking Water
401 East State Street
P.O. Box 426
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0426

2. Ensure the correct PWID # is listed on the form;
3. Ensure the correct TP# is entered on the form;
4. Ensure the correct mailing address is on the envelope;
5. Do not staple multiple reports together;
6. Ensure reports are submitted using NJDEP State reporting forms

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Electronic Submission:

The DEP has developed a web-based application to enable laboratory-to-State electronic reporting of sampling results. The DEP implemented the *New Jersey Electronic Environmental (E2) Reporting System* in 2007 to offer laboratories an optional, electronic alternative to submit to the State selected drinking water analysis data on behalf of water systems. You are encouraged to register your water system in the E2 Reporting System to allow your laboratory (ies) to submit analytical results electronically. The E2 Reporting System also allows you the option to confirm that your sampling results have been submitted on time. Additional information regarding the *E2 Reporting System* is available to you via the web at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/online/e2>.

Who should I contact with questions?

Any reporting related questions, please contact:

Bureau of Safe Drinking Water Implementation 609-292-5550

Any compliance, inspection or enforcement questions, please contact:

Water Compliance and Enforcement-Northern Field Office 973-656-4099

(Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren Counties)

Water Compliance and Enforcement-Central Field Office 609-584-4200

(Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, and Union Counties)

Water Compliance and Enforcement-Southern Field Office 856-614-3655

(Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties)

Where can I get more information?

Visit the following Web sites for additional information regarding this advisory:

Division of Water Supply

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/>

E2 Electronic Reporting System

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/online/e2/>

Visit the following Web site for general information:

Contact NJDEP: <http://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/dep/contactdep.pl>

To comment on this advisory:

<http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/survey.html>

Please note this advisory is intended to be a summary explanation of a department initiative. It does not include all potentially applicable requirements. If you have any questions related to compliance with this initiative, please contact the phone numbers listed above.