## TIER 2 PUBLIC NOTIFICATION for SYSTEMS WITH TREATMENT

To be used for

VOC, IOC and radiologicals when MCL exceeded twice within a 2-year period,

with or without a MCL violation

Or

when Nitrate is Less than or Equal to the MCL (single sample result >MCL, confirmation sample <MCL), twice within a 2-year period

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER [System] Fails to Maintain Treatment for Removing [Contaminant] from Drinking Water

For MCL violations other than Nitrate (Tier 1 PN required for Nitrate MCL): See standard language in <u>https://www.epa.gov/dwreginfo/public-notification-rule</u>

For Maintain Treatment Violation:

Our system has installed treatment to remove [contaminant] from the drinking water. During two sampling events, [date1] and [date2], the MCL was exceeded in these samples meaning our treatment system failed to consistently remove [contaminant] from the drinking water. The NJDEP has issued us a Treatment Technique Violation for failing to maintain the treatment. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

For Nitrate Maintain Treatment Violation (not Nitrate MCL Violation):

Our system has installed treatment to remove nitrate from the drinking water. During two sampling events, [date1] and [date2], the MCL was exceeded, although not confirmed, in these samples meaning our treatment system may have failed to consistently remove nitrate from the drinking water. As a precautionary measure, the NJDEP has issued us a Treatment Technique Violation for failing to maintain the treatment. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did (are doing) to correct this situation.

## What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours.

[ADD Tier language for the contaminant that exceeded to MCL, although not confirmed].

## What is being done?

[Describe corrective action.] We anticipate resolving the problem within [estimated time frame].

For more information, please contact [name of contact] at [phone number] or [mailing address].

\*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.\*

This notice is being sent to you by [system]. State Water System ID#: \_\_\_\_\_. Date distributed: \_\_\_\_\_.