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EHDW Circular Letter # 2023-09

TO: All Connecticut In-state Certified Water and Soil Laboratories

FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief, EHDW *Lori J. Mathieu*

DATE: March 1, 2023

SUBJECT: **SW846 Compendium update**

The EPA publication, *Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods*, also known as SW-846 compendium ([Hazardous Waste Test Methods / SW-846 | US EPA](#)), is the compendium of analytical and sampling methods that have been evaluated and approved for use in complying with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations. The methods and chapters change over time and updates have been published to keep up with analytical needs.

CT DPH Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP) is incorporating the revised methods into the certification program and will be requiring laboratories to transition to the latest approved versions of the methods listed in the SW-846. Laboratories will need to review the methods that they are currently certified to perform to determine if the methods are affected by the update. Standard Operating Procedures must be updated to reflect the revised method requirements.

For out of state laboratories, the revised methods must be included on the certificate from your certifying authority.

ELCP is granting laboratories a year to transition to the revised methodology, the old methods will no longer be offered after January 1, 2024.

Please feel free to contact Dawn Shaban and Nicole Paradise at DPH.ELCP@ct.gov with any questions.



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