DWS Circular Letter 2016-15

TO: Community Public Water Systems Serving over 1,000 people
FROM: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section
DATE: June 6, 2016
SUBJECT: List of Critical Public Drinking Water Facilities for Power Restoration

The Department of Public Health is assigned to make available a confidential list of public drinking water facilities that are to be prioritized for power restoration during storm events. This list will be used by state agencies during disruptive storm events to prioritize power restoration efforts.

The DPH is responsible to keep this Critical Facilities list up to date and provide as necessary to the State Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection - Division of Emergency Management & Homeland Security (DEMHS) for use at the State Emergency Operation Center.

A blank spreadsheet is attached for your use and completion before July 1, 2016. Please note that the column labeled “critical customers served” should be populated with known health care facilities in your service area. To assist in this regard, a list of hospitals and convalescent homes along with the addresses is appended for your use.

We ask that you make every effort to complete your list by July 1, 2016, and request that you email it to DWDCompliance@ct.gov.

An accurate list is critically important to the efforts to prioritize power restoration. If you have any questions please contact Sachin Patel of my staff at 860-509-7333.

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