DWS Circular Letter #2017-02

To: Community Water Systems Serving over 1,000
From: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section
Date: February 27, 2017
Subject: Ground Water Monitoring and Reporting

Pursuant to §19-13-B102(n)(4) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Department of Public Health is requesting monthly reporting of groundwater information for community water systems serving more than 1,000 customers. Groundwater data should be monitored on a weekly basis using the attached form and submitted to our office monthly beginning April 7, 2017.

Although we have experienced lately few snowfall events, total precipitation remains below normal and most of State reservoir levels are also below normal for this time of the year. This precipitation shortfall continues to challenge our state’s water supplies and require our vigilance. It is for this reason that the department is requesting additional groundwater information and that conservation measures continue to be reinforced. These conservation measures should include:

- Conducting water audits on your largest water users.
- Undertaking leak repairs to bring unaccounted water levels below 15%
- Reminding customers of conservation information.
- Paying special attention to lawn irrigation and outdoor water usage as spring’s increased demands approach.

We thank you for your continued participation in protecting our Public Water Systems and greatly appreciate your efforts to manage our drinking water supplies. Any questions concerning the reporting requirements, please contact Michael Hage of my staff at 860-509-7333. For further information concerning water conservation & drought related information please see our newly updated web-site; http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3139&q=387302

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