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## Environmental Health & Drinking Water Branch

## **DWS Circular Letter #2021-03**

TO: Public Water Systems (serving greater than 10,000)

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

**DATE:** January 6, 2021

**SUBJECT**: SolarWinds Software Incident of December 2019

The Connecticut Department of Public Health's Drinking Water Section is reaching out to follow up on the SolarWinds Software hack that occurred in December 2019. The *Association of State Drinking Water Administrators* (ASDWA) and *Association of Clean Water Administrators* (ACWA) are collecting information to assist EPA's Water Security Division (WSD) to help them gain a better understanding of the impact of this cyber incident.

The Water Security Division (WSD) is seeking feedback of three (3) aspects of this cyber incident to better understand how water systems in CT have been impacted and what mitigation measures, if any, these systems are taking.

## WSD is seeking information on the following:

- 1. What is the prevalence of SolarWinds products use within your water system?
- 2. <u>DHS/ CISA AA-22-352A</u> alert describes three (3) categories of compromise (see Mitigations section) and WSD is seeking information on what category of compromise using SolarWinds your system falls under.
- 3. If your system is affected, please note the necessary remediation measures you have taken to protect your business and operational functions?

Your feedback in regards to the SolarWinds Software hack incident can be directed to <u>Kevin</u> <u>Letterly</u> (<u>kletterly@asdwa.org</u>) and Alan Roberson (<u>aroberson@asdwa.org</u>) by **January 12**<sup>th</sup>, **2021**.

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