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### DWS Circular Letter #2021-06

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

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

Handwritten signature of Lori J. Mathieu '21 in blue ink.

**DATE:** January 15, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Cybersecurity and Physical Security Updates

The Connecticut Department of Public Health's Drinking Water Section is reaching out to inform you that WaterISAC has posted awareness of social media posts on two platforms indicating possible violent acts from domestic extremists against critical infrastructure assets. While there are no known specific or credible threats against water and wastewater systems at this time, Department of Public Health (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) reminds water utilities to remain vigilant and evaluate system security. This includes both cybersecurity and physical security of system assets to protect operation of the critical services that the water sector provides. To assist with this, the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has developed a new informational guide on a security strategy that provides a flexible framework to align cybersecurity and physical security functions including case studies, which can be accessed at: [Cybersecurity and Physical Security Convergence Guide](#).

**"See Something, Say Something"**

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