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### DWS Circular Letter #2023-40

**TO:** Public Water Systems

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

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**SUBJECT:** Medium Cybersecurity Advisory: Barracuda ESG Vulnerability

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The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) would like to make public water systems (PWSs) aware of a medium-level [cybersecurity advisory](#) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concerning the exploitation of a vulnerability in Barracuda Network's Email Security Gateway (ESG) by suspected cyber actors.

DPH is requesting each PWS to assess whether it has any Barracuda ESG devices connected to its network and if so, follow the mitigation recommendations listed in EPA's advisory.

PWSs that do not possess any Barracuda ESG devices need not take action but are encouraged to read the advisory for general awareness of ongoing cybersecurity threats and examples of mitigation procedures.

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