

**VDH – Office of Drinking Water
Update Items for HRPDC Meeting
2 Dec 2015**

1. **Revisions to *Waterworks Regulations***
 - Incorporation of Revised Total Coliform Rule
 - Will be following the “APA exempt” process
 - ODW RTCR team completed work, submitted initial draft to EPA for review – EPA has requested revisions (primarily documentation on addressing violations)
 - Package will be resubmitted Dec 2015/Jan 2016
 - Internal VDH review ~~completed~~ *ongoing*
 - Will submit for publication in the *Virginia Register* following the initial / tentative approval by EPA
 - Once published – 30 day adoption period
 - Will go into effect 1 Apr 2016 (either under State regs or federal regs)
 - VDH working with VRWA to set up training events for waterworks – set to start Jan 2016 – will announce the schedule and locations
 - General revisions, to cover everything
 - RAP process is completed – input & comments have been incorporated
 - May have one more RAP meeting to address Source Water issues (based on DEQ Source Water efforts)
 - Process has been slowed down as a result of RTCR adoption process delays
 - Will be following the full APA process
 - Moving to the NOIRA stage
 - Draft NOIRA has received internal VDH and Executive Branch review
 - Will publish NOIRA in the *Virginia Register* following RTCR adoption
 - “Proposed regulation” stage
 - Looking to submit for internal VDH review spring 2016
 - Potential presentation to Board of Health late spring 2016
 - Next step would be publication in the *Virginia Register* for public comment
 - Followed by Executive Branch review, response to public comments
2. **Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule (UCMR 4)**
 - Signed 30 Nov 2015, expect publication “soon”
 - Waterworks will monitor for 30 contaminants 2018-2020
 - All are on List 1 (Assessment monitoring) – nothing on List 2 (Screening) or List 3 (Pre-Screening)

- Monitor during March – November (in order to best pick up cyanotoxins and pesticides)
- 10 cyanotoxins
 - Twice a month for four months
 - Source water required – Entry Point if screening level exceeded
- 20 other chemicals
 - SW – Every other month
 - GW – Every six months
- Stakeholders Meeting scheduled for 13 Jan 2015 (1-4:30 p.m) – in person or via webinar
- I will send an email with weblink to register

3. Legionella

- EPA published “draft for comment” version of “Technologies for Legionella Control: Scientific Literature Review“
- Stakeholders meeting/webinar held on 11 Nov 2015 – comment period ended 23 Nov 2015
- EPA hopes to issue final document Apr 2016
- Many questions remain – particularly about implementation

4. Disinfection of water lines

- AWWA revised their standard (C-651-14, effective 1 Feb 2015)
- A number of changes
 - A new method of disinfecting (spray disinfection)
 - Reduced time between samples (two different methods allowed)
 - Changed where samples are to be collected (shorter runs, additional sites on branches, etc.) – more samples required
 - Increased minimum flushing velocity
 - Addresses sampling after repairs
- VDH is incorporating these changes in the revised regulations
- VDH encourages waterworks to revise their standards now to reflect the updates