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February 18, 2025

Mr. Rob Mackie  
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Dear Mr. Mackie:

**Re: Safe Drinking Water Act, O. Reg. 170/03 Schedule 22 Summary Report**

Attached is the 2024 Summary Report for the Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant. This report has been completed based on the information obtained from the water treatment plant records and in accordance with Schedule 22 of O. Reg. 170/03, under the Safe Drinking Water Act, which requires a Summary Report to be prepared not later than March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year for the preceding calendar year. This report covers the period of January 1 to December 31, 2024.

Please remember that any Orders that you have received directly from the MECP should be reviewed. Where non-compliance with the Order is evident and it is not included in the attached 2024 Summary Report, then we recommend that this information be added to the Summary Report. Note: Schedule 22-2 (a) specifies that the summary report is given to, in the case of a drinking water system owned by a municipality, the members of the municipal council for the Town of Essex, and is not intended for distribution to the Ministry of the Environment.

After your review and inclusion of any additional information, these Summary Reports are to be provided to the members of the municipal council. Please ensure this distribution.

Section 12 of O. Reg. 170/03, requires the Summary Reports be made available for inspection by any member of the public during normal business hours without charge. The reports should also be made available for inspection at the office of the municipality or at a location that is reasonably convenient to the users of the water system.

Sincerely,

Warren Higgins  
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cc: Doug Sweet, Chief Administrative Officer Town of Essex  
Kevin Girard, Director, Infrastructure Services, Town of Essex  
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**Annual Summary Report**

**Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant**

**2024**

**Prepared for: The Corporation of the Town of Essex**

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## **SECTION 1**

### **Compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act and Regulation 170/03**

This report is a summary of water quality information for the Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant and published in accordance with Schedule 22 of Ontario's Safe Drinking Water Act, Ontario Regulation 170/03 for the reporting period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. The Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant is categorized as a Large Municipal Residential Drinking Water System.

This report is prepared by the Ontario Clean Water Agency on behalf of the Town of Essex.

### **Compliance with the Municipal Drinking Water License 029-101**

The Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant was operated and maintained in such a manner that the water supplied to the consumers serviced by the system satisfied all the requirements in the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Regulations and the MDWL 029-101.

## **SECTION 2**

### **Non-Compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, Regulation 170/03, MDWL & DWWP**

Incident Date	Parameter	Result	Unit of Measure	Corrective Action	Date of Resolution
06/25/2024	Total Coliform	4	CFU/100ml	Re-Samples were collected upstream (Water Dept.), At the Site (Walnut), and downstream (Walker Rd). June 25, 2024 and June 26, 2024. All resample results were negative.	06/28/2024
08/20/2024	Total Coliform	1	CFU/100ml	Samples were collected upstream (Water Dept.), At the Site (Walker Rd), and downstream (Cargill). October 4 @ 1555 and October 5 @ 1130. All resample results were negative.	08/24/2024

## **SECTION 3**

### **Summary and discussion of quantity of water supplied**

In accordance with Schedule 22-2 (3) *“the report must also include the following information for the purpose of enabling the owner of the system to assess the capability of the system to meet existing and planned uses of the system.”*

1. *A summary of the quantities and flow rates of the water supplied during the period covered by the report, including monthly average and maximum daily flows and daily instantaneous peak flow rate.*
2. *A comparison of the summary referred to in paragraph 1 to the rated capacity and flow rates approved in the system’s approval must be discussed.*

The rated capacity specified in the Municipal Drinking Water License 029-101 for the Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant is 10,228 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The maximum daily flow for the reporting period was 5,558 m<sup>3</sup>/day on June 15, 2024.

The Permit to Take Water (Number 4088-9KDN6D) states the maximum amount of water taken is 21,154 L/min and 30,458,000 L/day. The maximum amount of water flow taken in 2024 was 6,480 L/min on January 13. The maximum amount of water taken in 2024 was 5,558,000 L/day on June 15. The Permit to Take Water limit was not exceeded during this reporting period.

Attached in Appendix A, are the average daily volume (m<sup>3</sup>) and maximum daily volume (m<sup>3</sup>). Also noted is the % of Design Volume for each.

The quantity of water supplied during the reporting period did not exceed the rated capacity of this facility.

## Appendix A

### Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant Annual Volume Record for 2024

Design Treated Flows: 10, 228 m<sup>3</sup>/day

Month	Average Daily Volume(m <sup>3</sup> )	Design Volume (%)	Maximum Daily Volume(m <sup>3</sup> )	Design Volume (%)
January	2,657	26	3,205	31
February	2,713	27	3,195	31
March	2,892	28	3,624	35
April	3,240	32	3,945	39
May	3,889	38	5,069	50
June	4,587	45	5,558	54
July	4,528	44	5,255	51
August	4,272	42	4,930	48
September	4,101	40	4,660	46
October	3,630	35	4,128	40
November	1,879	18	3,689	36
December	1,522	15	3,854	38

## **Appendix B**

### **WTRS Data and Submission Confirmation**



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### Water Taking Data submitted successfully.

#### Confirmation:

Thank you for submitting your water taking data online.

Permit Number: 4088-9KDN6D

Permit Holder: THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ESSEX.

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