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Attention: Doug Sweet, CAO
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Re: Essex Drinking Water System (Harrow-Colchester South)
Inspection Report

Please find enclosed the Drinking Water System Inspection Report for the Essex Drinking Water System (Harrow-Colchester South) (DWS#210000130). The review period for this unannounced inspection was October 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021. A field visit to the water treatment plant, low lift station and elevated storage tank was conducted on November 2, 2021.

Section 19 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (Standard of Care) creates a number of obligations for individuals who exercise decision-making authority over municipal drinking water systems. Please be aware that the Ministry has encouraged such individuals, particularly municipal councillors, to take steps to be better informed about the drinking water systems over which they have decision-making authority. These steps could include asking for a copy of this inspection report and a review of its findings. Further information about Section 19 can be found in *"Taking Care of Your Drinking Water: A guide for members of municipal council"* found on the Drinking Water Ontario website at www.ontario.ca/drinkingwater.

In order to measure individual inspection results, the Ministry has established an inspection compliance risk framework based on the principles of the Inspection, Investigation & Enforcement (II&E) Secretariat and advice of internal/external risk experts. The Inspection Summary Rating Record (IRR) provides the Ministry, the system owner and the local Public Health Units with a

summarized quantitative measure of the drinking water system's annual inspection and regulated water quality testing performance.

Please note that due to a change in IT systems, the Inspection Rating Report (IRR) cannot be generated at the same time as the inspection report. The IRR will be sent separately and prior to any public release (typically within 1-2 month of the completion of the inspection).

IRR ratings are published (for the previous inspection year) in the Ministry's Chief Drinking Water Inspectors' Annual Report. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the rating, please contact Marc Bechard, Water Compliance Supervisor, at (519) 490-0761.

Likewise, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report, please call me at (226) 280-1556.

Yours truly,



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ESSEX DRINKING WATER SYSTEM (HARROW-COLCHESTER
SOUTH)

405 CLITHEROW ST, ESSEX, ON, N0R 1G0

Inspection Report

System Number:	210000130
Inspection Start Date:	10/27/2021
Inspection End Date:	12/14/2021
Inspected By:	Neil Gilbert
Badge #:	1072

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NON-COMPLIANCE/NON-CONFORMANCE ITEMS

This should not be construed as a confirmation of full compliance with all potential applicable legal requirement and BMPs. These inspection findings are limited to the components and/or activities that were assessed, and the legislative framework(s) that were applied. It remains the responsibility of the owner to ensure compliance with all applicable legislative and regulatory requirements.

If you have any questions related to this inspection, please contact the signed Provincial Officer.

INSPECTION DETAILS

This section includes all questions that were assessed during the inspection.

Ministry Program: Regulated Activity: DRINKING WATER : DW Municipal Residential

Question ID	MRDW1001000		
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement	
What was the scope of this inspection?	Information	Not Applicable	
Observation			
<p>The primary focus of this inspection is to confirm compliance with Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) legislation as well as evaluating conformance with ministry drinking water policies and guidelines during the inspection period. The ministry utilizes a comprehensive, multi-barrier approach in the inspection of water systems that focuses on the source, treatment, and distribution components as well as management practices.</p> <p>This drinking water system is subject to the legislative requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002 (SDWA) and regulations made therein, including Ontario Regulation 170/03, "Drinking Water Systems" (O.Reg. 170/03). This inspection has been conducted pursuant to Section 81 of the SDWA.</p> <p>This inspection report does not suggest that all applicable legislation and regulations were evaluated. It remains the responsibility of the owner to ensure compliance with all applicable legislative and regulatory requirements. The review period for this unannounced inspection was October 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021. A field visit to the water treatment plant, low lift station and elevated storage tank was conducted on November 2, 2021.</p>			

Question ID	MRDW1000000		
Question		Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Does this drinking water system provide primary disinfection?		Information	Not Applicable
Observation			
This Drinking Water System provides for both primary and secondary disinfection and distribution of water.			

Question ID	MRDW1011000		
Question		Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Does the owner have a harmful algal bloom monitoring plan in place?		BMP	Not Applicable
Observation			
The owner had a harmful algal bloom monitoring plan in place. Harrow-Colchester South WTP's			

Harmful Bloom Monitoring, Reporting and Sampling Plan (SOP #OCWA-C3-41) is a procedure in place to respond to a blue-green algae bloom.

Question ID	MRDW1012000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Does the owner have a harmful algal bloom monitoring plan in place that meets the requirements of the MDWL?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
<p>The owner had a harmful algal bloom monitoring plan in place. The harmful algal bloom monitoring plan in place meets the requirements of the Municipal Drinking Water Licence (#029-101 Issue #3, dated April 6, 2021). Schedule C, Section 6 of the Licence notes the following:</p> <p>6.1 - The owner shall develop and keep up to date a Harmful Algal Bloom monitoring, reporting and sampling plan, herein known as the "Plan", to be implemented when a potential harmful algal bloom is suspected or present. The owner shall have the Plan in place on or before November 22, 2021.</p> <p>6.1.1 - The owner must have a copy of the Plan available onsite at the drinking water system, for inspection upon request by Ministry staff.</p> <p>6.1.2 - The owner must implement the Plan annually during the harmful algal bloom season, during but not limited to the warm seasonal period between June 1 and October 31 each year, or as otherwise directed by the Ministry or the Medical Officer of Health.</p> <p>6.1.3 - The owner must train all relevant drinking water system staff on the Plan prior to the beginning of each warm season, as described in Condition 6.1.2.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1014000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is there sufficient monitoring of flow as required by the MDWL or DWWP issued under Part V of the SDWA?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
<p>There was sufficient monitoring of flow as required by the Municipal Drinking Water Licence or Drinking Water Works Permit issued under Part V of the SDWA. Schedule C, Condition 2.1 of the Municipal Drinking Water Licence #029-101 requires that continuous flow measurement and recording shall be undertaken for:</p> <p>2.1.1 The flow rate and daily volume of treated water that flows from the treatment subsystem to the distribution system.</p> <p>2.1.2 The flow rate and daily volume of water that flows into the treatment subsystem.</p> <p>The Harrow-Colchester South DWS has magnetic flow meters for both the raw water entering the treatment plant and for treated water flowing from the plant to the distribution system.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1016000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement

Is the owner in compliance with the conditions associated with maximum flow rate or the rated capacity conditions in the MDWL issued under Part V of the SDWA?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
<p>The owner was in compliance with the conditions associated with maximum flow rate or the rated capacity conditions in the Municipal Drinking Water Licence issued under Part V of the SDWA. Schedule C, Condition 1.1 of the Municipal Drinking Water Licence #029-101 states that the maximum daily volume of treated water that flows from the Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant to the distribution system shall not exceed 10,228 m³/day.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) the Harrow-Colchester South WTP did not exceed the maximum rated capacity. Based on records, the average daily volume of treated water conveyed to the distribution system was approximately 2,969m³/day. This is approximately 29% of the rated capacity of the drinking water system. A maximum daily volume of treated water conveyed to the distribution system was 4,562m³/day (45% of the rated capacity) which occurred in May 2021.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1030000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is primary disinfection chlorine monitoring being conducted at a location approved by MDWL and/or DWWP issued under Part V of the SDWA, or at/near a location where the intended CT has just been achieved?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 7-2 (1), SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 7-2 (2)
Observation		
Primary disinfection chlorine monitoring was conducted at a location approved by Municipal Drinking Water Licence and/or Drinking Water Works Permit issued under Part V of the SDWA, or at/near a location where the intended CT has just been achieved.		

Question ID	MRDW1032000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
If the drinking water system obtains water from a surface water source and provides filtration, is continuous monitoring of each filter effluent line being performed for turbidity?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 7-3 (2)
Observation		
Continuous monitoring of each filter effluent line was being performed for turbidity.		

Question ID	MRDW1033000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is the secondary disinfectant residual measured as required for the large municipal residential distribution system?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 7-2 (3), SDWA O. Reg.

		170/03 7-2 (4)
Observation		
<p>The secondary disinfectant residual was measured as required for the distribution system. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s 7-2 (3), the owner/operating authority of a system that provides secondary disinfection shall ensure that at least seven distribution samples are taken each week and are tested immediately for, (a) free chlorine residual, if the system provides chlorination and does not provide chloramination; or (b) combined chlorine residual, if the system provides chloramination. The following rules apply to the distribution samples referred above unless at least one sample is taken on each day of the week: At least four of the samples must be taken on one day of the week, at least 48 hours after the last sample was taken in the previous week. Then, at least three of the samples must be taken on a second day of the week, at least 48 hours after the last sample was taken on the first day of the sampling week. When more than one sample is taken on the same day of the week then each sample must be taken from a different location.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) at least seven distribution samples were collected each week using the 4/3 rule and tested for free chlorine residuals.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1037000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all continuous monitoring equipment utilized for sampling and testing required by O. Reg.170/03, or MDWL or DWWP or order, equipped with alarms or shut-off mechanisms that satisfy the standards described in Schedule 6?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1) 1-4,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1)5-10,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1.1)
Observation		
<p>All continuous monitoring equipment utilized for sampling and testing required by O. Reg.170/03, or Municipal Drinking Water Licence or Drinking Water Works Permit or order, were equipped with alarms or shut-off mechanisms that satisfy the standards described in Schedule 6. According to the Harrow-Colchester South WTP's "SCADA Alarm Set Points" SOP (SOP# C3-36), the following prescribed plant alarms are in effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - water treatment plant reservoir effluent free chlorine residual: Lo 0.9 mg/L and LoLo 0.8 mg/L, - filter effluent turbidity: Hi 0.25 NTU and HIHi 0.28 NTU. <p>These alarm setpoints satisfy the minimum/maximum alarm standards prescribed by Schedule 6 of O. Reg. 170/03.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1038000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is continuous monitoring equipment that is being utilized to fulfill O. Reg. 170/03 requirements performing tests for the parameters with at least the minimum frequency specified in the Table in Schedule 6 of O. Reg. 170/03 and recording data with the prescribed format?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1) 1-4

Observation
Continuous monitoring equipment that was being utilized to fulfill O. Reg. 170/03 requirements was performing tests for the parameters with at least the minimum frequency specified in the Table in Schedule 6 of O. Reg. 170/03 and recording data with the prescribed format.

Question ID	MRDW1035000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are operators examining continuous monitoring test results and are they examining the results within 72 hours of the test?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1) 1-4,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1)5-10
Observation		
Operators were examining continuous monitoring test results and they were examining the results within 72 hours of the test.		

Question ID	MRDW1040000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all continuous analysers calibrated, maintained, and operated, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions or the regulation?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1) 1-4,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1)5-10
Observation		
All continuous analysers were calibrated, maintained, and operated, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions or the regulation.		

Question ID	MRDW1108000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Where continuous monitoring equipment used for the monitoring of free chlorine residual, total chlorine residual, combined chlorine residual or turbidity, required by Regulation 170, an Order, MDWL, or DWWP issued under Part V, SDWA, has triggered an alarm or an automatic shut-off, did a qualified person respond in a timely manner and take appropriate actions?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1) 1-4,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1)5-10,SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-5 (1.1)
Observation		
Where required continuous monitoring equipment used for the monitoring of chlorine residual and/or turbidity triggered an alarm or an automatic shut-off, a qualified person responded in a timely manner and took appropriate actions.		

Question ID	MRDW1018000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Has the owner ensured that all equipment is installed in accordance with Schedule A and Schedule C of the Drinking Water Works Permit?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
The owner had ensured that all equipment was installed in accordance with Schedule A and Schedule C of the Drinking Water Works Permit.		

Question ID	MRDW1020000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is the owner/operating authority able to demonstrate that, when required during the inspection period, Form 1 documents were prepared in accordance with their Drinking Water Works Permit?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
The owner/operating authority was in compliance with the requirement to prepare Form 1 documents as required by their Drinking Water Works Permit during the inspection period.		

Question ID	MRDW1021000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is the owner/operating authority able to demonstrate that, when required during the inspection period, Form 2 documents were prepared in accordance with their Drinking Water Works Permit?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
The owner/operating authority was in compliance with the requirement to prepare Form 2 documents as required by their Drinking Water Works Permit during the inspection period.		

Question ID	MRDW1022000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Is the owner/operating authority able to demonstrate that, when required during the inspection period, Form 3 and associated condition 5.7 requirements were prepared in accordance with their Drinking Water Works Permit?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
The owner/operating authority was in compliance with the requirement to prepare Form 3 and associated documents as required by their Drinking Water Works Permit during the inspection period.		

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Question ID	MRDW1023000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do records indicate that the treatment equipment was operated in a manner that achieved the design capabilities required under Ontario Regulation 170/03 or a DWWP and/or MDWL issued under Part V of the SDWA at all times that water was being supplied to consumers?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 1-2 (2)
Observation		
Records indicated that the treatment equipment was operated in a manner that achieved the design capabilities required under Ontario Regulation 170/03 or a Drinking Water Works Permit and/or Municipal Drinking Water Licence issued under Part V of the SDWA at all times that water was being supplied to consumers.		

Question ID	MRDW1024000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do records confirm that the water treatment equipment which provides chlorination or chloramination for secondary disinfection purposes was operated so that at all times and all locations in the distribution system the chlorine residual was never less than 0.05 mg/l free or 0.25 mg/l combined?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 1-2 (2)
Observation		
Records confirmed that the water treatment equipment which provides chlorination or chloramination for secondary disinfection purposes was operated so that at all times and all locations in the distribution system the chlorine residual was never less than 0.05 mg/l free or 0.25 mg/l combined.		

Question ID	MRDW1025000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Were all parts of the drinking water system that came in contact with drinking water (added, modified, replaced or extended) disinfected in accordance with a procedure listed in Schedule B of the Drinking Water Works Permit?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
All parts of the drinking water system were disinfected in accordance with a procedure listed in Schedule B of the Drinking Water Works Permit.		

Question ID	MRDW1062000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement

Do records or other record keeping mechanisms confirm that operational testing not performed by continuous monitoring equipment is being done by a certified operator, water quality analyst, or person who meets the requirements of O. Reg. 170/03 7-5?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 7-5
Observation		
Records or other record keeping mechanisms confirmed that operational testing not performed by continuous monitoring equipment was being done by a certified operator, water quality analyst, or person who suffices the requirements of O. Reg. 170/03 7-5.		

Question ID	MRDW1060000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do the operations and maintenance manuals meet the requirements of the DWWP and MDWL issued under Part V of the SDWA?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
<p>The operations and maintenance manuals met the requirements of the Drinking Water Works Permit and Municipal Drinking Water Licence issued under Part V of the SDWA. Condition 16.2 under Schedule B of Essex Drinking Water System's Licence (#029-101) notes that the operations and maintenance manuals shall include (at a minimum) the following:</p> <p>16.2.1 The requirements of this licence and associated procedures;</p> <p>16.2.2 The requirements of the drinking water works permit for the drinking water system;</p> <p>16.2.3 A description of the processes used to achieve primary and secondary disinfection within the drinking water system including where applicable:</p> <p>a) A copy of the CT calculations that were used as the basis for primary disinfection under worst case operating conditions and other operating conditions, if applicable; and</p> <p>b) The validated operating conditions for UV disinfection equipment, including a copy of the validation certificate;</p> <p>16.2.4 Procedures for monitoring and recording the in-process parameters necessary for the control of any treatment subsystem and for assessing the performance of the drinking water system;</p> <p>16.2.5 Procedures for the operation and maintenance of monitoring equipment;</p> <p>16.2.6 Contingency plans and procedures for the provision of adequate equipment and material to deal with emergencies, upset conditions and equipment breakdown;</p> <p>16.2.7 Procedures for dealing with complaints related to the drinking water system, including the recording of the nature of the complaint and any investigation and corrective action taken in respect of the complaint.</p> <p>A review of Harrow - Colchester South WTP's Operations Manual suggests that these conditions appear to be satisfied.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1071000
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Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Has the owner provided security measures to protect components of the drinking water system?	BMP	Not Applicable
Observation		
The owner had provided security measures to protect components of the drinking water system.		

Question ID	MRDW1073000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Has the overall responsible operator been designated for all subsystems which comprise the drinking water system?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 128/04 23 (1)
Observation		
The overall responsible operator has been designated for each subsystem.		

Question ID	MRDW1074000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Have operators in charge been designated for all subsystems for which comprise the drinking water system?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 128/04 25 (1)
Observation		
Operators-in-charge had been designated for all subsystems which comprised the drinking water system.		

Question ID	MRDW1075000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do all operators possess the required certification?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 128/04 22
Observation		
All operators possessed the required certification.		

Question ID	MRDW1076000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do only certified operators make adjustments to the treatment equipment?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 1-2 (2)
Observation		
Only certified operators made adjustments to the treatment equipment.		

Question ID	MRDW1099000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do records show that all water sample results taken during the inspection review period did not exceed the values of tables 1, 2 and 3 of the Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards (O. Reg.. 169/03)?	Information	Not Applicable
Observation		
Records showed that all water sample results taken during the inspection review period did not exceed the values of tables 1, 2 and 3 of the Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards (O.Reg. 169/03).		

Question ID	MRDW1094000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all water quality monitoring requirements imposed by the MDWL and DWWP being met?	Legislative	SDWA 31 (1)
Observation		
All water quality monitoring requirements imposed by the MDWL or DWWP issued under Part V of the SDWA were being met. Schedule C, Section 5.0 of Licence #029-101 requires a monthly composite sample of the backwash ponds to be analyzed for total suspended solids. Sample results for TSS collected during the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) ranged from <2 mg/L to 4 mg/L. All of these results were below the 25mg/L TSS limit (which is based on an annual average) noted in Table 3 of the Licence. The average TSS result for the inspection review period was 2.6 mg/L.		

Question ID	MRDW1096000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Do records confirm that chlorine residual tests are being conducted at the same time and at the same location that microbiological samples are obtained?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 6-3 (1)
Observation		
Records confirmed that chlorine residual tests were being conducted at the same time and at the same location that microbiological samples were obtained.		

Question ID	MRDW1081000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all microbiological water quality monitoring requirements for distribution samples being met?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 10-2 (1),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 10-2 (2),SDWA O.

		Reg. 170/03 10-2 (3)
Observation		
<p>All microbiological water quality monitoring requirements for distribution samples were being met. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s10-2, the owner/operating authority for the system shall ensure that if a system serves 100,000 people or less, at least eight distribution samples, plus one additional sample for every 1,000 served, are taken every month, with at least one sample being taken each week. Each of the distribution samples collected must be tested for E. coli and total coliforms and at least 25 percent of these samples must be tested for general bacteria population expressed as colony counts on a heterotrophic plate count (HPC).</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) all microbiological water monitoring requirements for distribution water samples were performed.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1083000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all microbiological water quality monitoring requirements for treated samples being met?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 10-3
Observation		
<p>All microbiological water quality monitoring requirements for treated samples were being met. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s10-3, the owner/operating authority for the system shall ensure that a water sample (treated) is taken at least once every week and tested for E. coli, total coliforms and general bacteria population expressed as colony counts on a heterotrophic plate count (HPC).</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) all microbiological water monitoring requirements for treated water samples were performed.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1084000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all inorganic water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-2
Observation		
<p>All inorganic water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-2, the owner/operating authority of a large municipal residential system that obtains water from a raw water supply that is surface water shall ensure that at least one water sample is taken every 12 months and tested for every inorganic parameter set out in Schedule 23.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) this sample was collected on April 13, 2021.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1085000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement

Are all organic water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-4 (1),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-4 (2),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-4 (3)
Observation		
<p>All organic water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-4, the owner/operating authority of a large municipal residential system that obtains water from a raw water supply that is surface water shall ensure that at least one water sample is taken every 12 months and tested for every organic parameter set out in Schedule 24.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) this sample was collected on April 13, 2021.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1086000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all haloacetic acid water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency and at the required location?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (1),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (2),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (3), SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (4),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (5),SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6.1 (6)
Observation		
<p>All haloacetic acid water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation are being conducted within the required frequency and at the required location. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-6.1, the owner/operating authority of a system that provides chlorination or chloramination shall ensure that at least one distribution sample is taken in each calendar quarter, from a point in the distribution system that is likely to have an elevated potential for the formation of haloacetic acids (HAAs), and have the sample tested for HAAs.</p> <p>On January 1, 2020, the O.Reg. 169/03 standard for HAA (80ug/L) came into effect and is expressed as a RAA, where RAA is defined as "the running annual average of quarterly results" for HAA for a drinking water system.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) these HAA quarterly samples were collected on Oct. 7, 2020 (HAA result = <5.3ug/L), Jan. 13, 2021 (HAA result = <5.3ug/L), Apr. 13, 2021 (HAA result = <5.3ug/L), July 12, 2021 (HAA result = 7.9ug/L) and Oct. 4, 2021</p>		

(HAA result = <5.3ug/L). All of these HAA results were below 80ug/L and the average for the inspection review period was 5.8ug/L.

Question ID	MRDW1087000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Have all trihalomethane water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation been conducted within the required frequency and at the required location?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-6 (1)
Observation		
<p>All trihalomethane water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency and at the required location. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-6, the owner/operating authority of a system that provides chlorination or chloramination shall ensure that at least one distribution sample is taken in each calendar quarter, from a point in the distribution system that is likely to have an elevated potential for the formation of trihalomethanes (THMs), and have the sample tested for THMs.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) these THM quarterly samples were collected on Oct. 5, 2020 (THM result = 31ug/L), Jan. 13, 2021 (THM result = 20ug/L), Apr. 13, 2021 (THM result = 17 ug/L), July 23, 2021 (THM result = 29ug/L) and Oct. 4, 2021 (THM result = 25ug/L).</p> <p>The Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standard (ODWQS) for THM is 100 ug/L (expressed as a running annual average of quarterly results). All of the THM results were below 100ug/L and the average for the inspection review period was 24 ug/L.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1088000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all nitrate/nitrite water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency for the DWS?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-7
Observation		
<p>All nitrate/nitrite water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency for the DWS. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-7, the owner/operating authority of a system shall ensure that at least one water sample is taken every three months and have the sample tested for nitrate and nitrite.</p> <p>During the inspection review period (Oct. 1, 2020 to Oct. 31, 2021) these samples were collected on Oct. 5, 2020, Jan. 13, 2021, Apr. 13, 2021, July 12, 2021 and Oct. 4, 2021.</p>		

Question ID	MRDW1089000	
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Are all sodium water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-8

Observation
<p>All sodium water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-8, the owner/operating authority of a drinking water system shall ensure that at least one water sample is taken every 60 months (+/- 90 days) and tested for sodium.</p> <p>The operating authority is sampling and testing for sodium annually, which exceeds the testing requirements prescribed by O.Reg. 170/03. The most recent sodium test was on Apr. 13, 2021 (7.63 mg/L) and no concerns were identified.</p>

Question ID	MRDW1090000		
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement	
Where fluoridation is not practiced, are all fluoride water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation conducted within the required frequency?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 13-9	
Observation	All fluoride water quality monitoring requirements prescribed by legislation were conducted within the required frequency. As per O.Reg. 170/03 s13-9, the owner/operating authority of a drinking water system shall ensure that at least one water sample is taken every 60 months (+/- 90 days) and tested for fluoride. The operating authority is sampling and testing for fluoride annually, which exceeds the testing requirements prescribed by O.Reg. 170/03. The most recent fluoride test was on April 13, 2021 (<0.06 mg/L) and no concerns were identified.		

Question ID	MRDW1100000		
Question		Question Type	Legislative Requirement
Did any reportable adverse/exceedance conditions occur during the inspection period?		Information	Not Applicable
Observation			
There were no reportable adverse/exceedances during the inspection period.			

Question ID	MRDW1113000		
Question	Question Type	Legislative Requirement	
Have all changes to the system registration information been provided to the Ministry within ten (10) days of the change?	Legislative	SDWA O. Reg. 170/03 10.1 (3)	
Observation			
All changes to the system registration information were provided within ten (10) days of the change.			



Stakeholder Appendix

Key Reference and Guidance Material for Municipal Residential Drinking Water Systems

Many useful materials are available to help you operate your drinking water system. Below is a list of key materials owners and operators of municipal residential drinking water systems frequently use.

To access these materials online click on their titles in the table below or use your web browser to search for their titles. Contact the Ministry if you need assistance or have questions at 1-866-793-2588 or waterforms@ontario.ca.

For more information on Ontario's drinking water visit www.ontario.ca/drinkingwater



PUBLICATION TITLE	PUBLICATION NUMBER
FORMS: Drinking Water System Profile Information Laboratory Services Notification Adverse Test Result Notification	012-2149E 012-2148E 012-4444E
Taking Care of Your Drinking Water: A Guide for Members of Municipal Councils	Website
Procedure for Disinfection of Drinking Water in Ontario	Website
Strategies for Minimizing the Disinfection Products Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids	Website
Filtration Processes Technical Bulletin	Website
Ultraviolet Disinfection Technical Bulletin	Website
Guide for Applying for Drinking Water Works Permit Amendments, & License Amendments	Website
Certification Guide for Operators and Water Quality Analysts	Website
Guide to Drinking Water Operator Training Requirements	9802E
Community Sampling and Testing for Lead: Standard and Reduced Sampling and Eligibility for Exemption	Website
Drinking Water System Contact List	7128E01
Ontario's Drinking Water Quality Management Standard - Pocket Guide	Website
Watermain Disinfection Procedure	Website
List of Licensed Laboratories	Website

Principaux guides et documents de référence sur les réseaux résidentiels municipaux d'eau potable

De nombreux documents utiles peuvent vous aider à exploiter votre réseau d'eau potable. Vous trouverez ci-après une liste de documents que les propriétaires et exploitants de réseaux résidentiels municipaux d'eau potable utilisent fréquemment. Pour accéder à ces documents en ligne, cliquez sur leur titre dans le tableau ci-dessous ou faites une recherche à l'aide de votre navigateur Web. Communiquez avec le ministère au 1-866-793-2588, ou encore à waterforms@ontario.ca si vous avez des questions ou besoin d'aide.



Pour plus de renseignements sur l'eau potable en Ontario, consultez le site www.ontario.ca/eaupotable

TITRE DE LA PUBLICATION	NUMÉRO DE PUBLICATION
Renseignements sur le profil du réseau d'eau potable	012-2149F
Avis de demande de services de laboratoire	012-2148F
Avis de résultats d'analyse insatisfaisants et de règlement des problèmes	012-4444F
Prendre soin de votre eau potable - Un guide destiné aux membres des conseils municipaux	Site Web
Marche à suivre pour désinfecter l'eau potable en Ontario	Site Web
Stratégies pour minimiser les trihalométhanes et les acides haloacétiques de sous-produits de désinfection	Site Web
Filtration Processes Technical Bulletin (en anglais seulement)	Site Web
Ultraviolet Disinfection Technical Bulletin (en anglais seulement)	Site Web
Guide de présentation d'une demande de modification du permis d'aménagement de station de production d'eau potable	Site Web
Guide sur l'accréditation des exploitants de réseaux d'eau potable et des analystes de la qualité de l'eau de réseaux d'eau potable	Site Web
Guide sur les exigences relatives à la formation des exploitants de réseaux d'eau potable	9802F
Échantillonnage et analyse du plomb dans les collectivités : échantillonnage normalisé ou réduit et admissibilité à l'exemption	Site Web
Liste des personnes-ressources du réseau d'eau potable	Site Web
L'eau potable en Ontario - Norme de gestion de la qualité - Guide de poche	Site Web
Procédure de désinfection des conduites principales	Site Web
Laboratoires autorisés	Site Web