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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

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**NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Bristol County Water Authority (Licensee) is licensed by the Rhode Island Department of Health, Center for Drinking Water Quality (RIDOH) as Public Water System # RI1647515 to operate a Community public water system. As a licensed public water system, Licensee is required to comply with the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 46-13-1 et seq., the Public Drinking Water Regulations 216-RICR-50-05-1 (the Regulations), the Safe Water Drinking Act, 42 U.S.C. §300f et seq., and 40 CFR parts 141-143. Licensee has incurred the following violation(s):

**VIOLATION ONE**

**Type of Violation:** Reporting Violation

**Section(s) Violated:** Section 1.8.10(J) of the Regulations

**Time Period:** 7/1/2024 to 9/30/2024 (Monitoring Period), 10/11/2024 - 10/17/2024 (Violation Period)

**Nature of Violation:** Failure to submit a satisfactory monitoring report by the due date.

*The Licensee is required to report information on disinfectants byproducts, such as total trihalomethanes (TTHM) and haloacetic acids (five)(HAA5), as specified in 1.8.10(J) of the Regulations. The Licensee is required to collect 8 routine samples for disinfection byproducts per quarter. While disinfection byproduct samples were collected on 8/13/2024, the samples were not reported correctly within the first ten days following the end of the monitoring period. The Licensee failed to have their contract laboratory correctly report the sample results for DS001-DBPR10 [235 NEW MEADOW RD - BARRINGTON] by the due date of 10/10/2024. The Licensee correctly reported results on 10/17/2024 and has returned to compliance with this violation.*

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 46-13-16(c), Licensee has 30 days to request an appeal of any violation and/or the amount of any penalty. A written request for an appeal must be addressed to the Director, Rhode Island Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 401, Providence, RI 02908. Failure to request an appeal within 30 days constitutes an admission of the violation and a waiver of all legal rights to contest any violation and/or the amount of any penalty.

A hearing on the appeal will be held in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 35 of Title 42 of the Rhode Island General Laws and the "Practices and Procedures before the Department of Health," which is available at the RIDOH website (<http://www.health.state.ri.us>) or by request from this office.