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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Alaska Drinking Water

Certified Laboratories

FROM: Patryce McKinney, MBA

Drinking Water Certification Authority

DATE:

September 16, 2022

SUBJECT:

DW Reporting Responsibility into

Alaska CMDP

This memo is to clarify reporting responsibility for Alaska certified drinking water laboratories, and further clarify the memos "Reporting Requirements Acute Contaminants" and "Reporting Timelines Clarification", both issued on August 20, 2019 ((memo-2019-dw-reporting-requirements (8),pdf) and (dw-reporting-timelinesclarification-memo-082019 (8).pdf))

As an Alaska Drinking Water Certified Laboratory, it is the responsibility of the certified testing laboratory to ensure results for all samples and tests are submitted according to regulation. This responsibility includes samples subcontracted by another Alaska Drinking Water Certified Laboratory.

Timely reporting to the Compliance Monitoring Data Portal (CMDP) is paramount; public health and the validity of drinking water quality depend on it. Testing laboratories may allow subcontracting laboratories to report data, but the testing laboratory may be held accountable and face certification actions if the subcontracting lab submitting results violates the reporting regulations found in 18 AAC 80.355.

When results are reported to DEC via CMDP, the submitter is attesting that the information is true and correct. Any false information generated and/or reported can jeopardize laboratory certification and/or incur penalties (18 AAC 80.1900 (a) & (b)). Withholding or delaying data leads to misinformation or incomplete information to determine PWS compliance and ensure public safety.

All electronic submissions to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation must comply with this memo. If there are any questions regarding the timely reporting of drinking water samples, please contact the LCP at (907) 375-8200 or declabcert@alaska.gov.

Thank you.