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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Notice of Readoption

Safe Drinking Water Act Rules

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 7:10

Authority: N.J.S.A. 13:1D-1 et seq.; 58:11-9.1 et seq., 58:11-23 et seq., 58:4A-4.1 et seq., 58:1A-1 et seq., and 58:12A-1 et seq.

Authorized by: Bob Martin, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection.

Effective Date: March 29, 2017.

New Expiration Date: March 29, 2024

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the Safe Drinking Water Act rules at N.J.A.C. 7:10 are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period. The rules had been scheduled to expire on April 30, 2017. The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed these rules and has determined that the rules should be readopted because they are necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, timely filing of this notice extended the expiration date of the chapter seven years from the date of filing.

The Safe Drinking Water Act rules, N.J.A.C. 7:10, establish requirements to ensure the provision of safe drinking water to the public under the New Jersey Safe Drinking Water Act, N.J.S.A. 58:12A-1 et seq. The rules include the State primary and secondary drinking water regulations for public and nonpublic water systems, construction standards and permits, fees,

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requirements for physical connections between an approved and unapproved water supply, and provisions regarding civil administrative penalties.

A notice of proposal was published in the New Jersey Register on March 20, 2017, amending the Safe Drinking Water rules to establish, in accordance with the Federal Revised Total Coliform Rule, requirements for New Jersey public water systems to monitor for total coliform and, where sample results exceed applicable triggers, conduct an assessment of the water system, and take corrective action to address any sanitary defect identified. Any further action on those proposed amendments would be the subject of a separate notice in the New Jersey Register.