## **Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3**

January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2015 (January 9, 2013 - 12/16/2016)

**Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 4** 

January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2020

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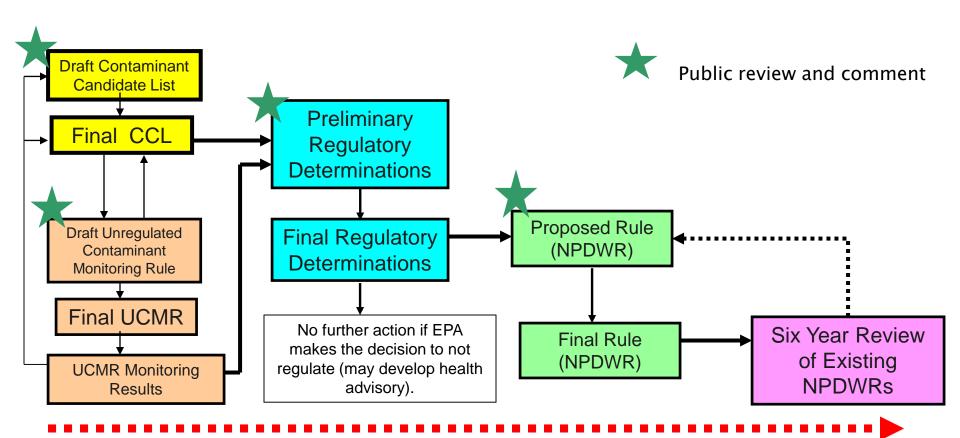
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### **UCMR**:

### Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - New list of up to <u>30 unregulated contaminants</u> every 5 years
    - 2013–2015, 2018–2020
- ▶ To provide baseline <u>occurrence data</u>
  - Drinking water contaminants that <u>do not have health</u> based standards under the SDWA
  - USEPA can combine with toxicological research to make decisions about potential <u>future drinking water</u> <u>regulations</u>

## General Flow of Federal Safe Drinking Water Act Regulatory Processes



At each stage, need increased specificity and confidence in the type of supporting data used (e.g. health, occurrence, treatment).

## **UCMR3** System Applicability

Assessment Monitoring (List 1 Contaminants) = 21 contaminants					
System Type	Systems serving >10,000	Systems serving <10,000			
CWS & NTNCWS	All systems (4200) NJ = 160	800 randomly selected systems NJ = 15			
TNCWS	No requirements	No requirements			
Screening Surve	ey (List 2 Contaminants)	= 7 contaminants			
System Type	Systems serving >10,000	Systems serving ≤10,000			
CWS & NTNCWS	All systems (410) serving more than 100,000, and 320 randomly selected systems serving 10,001 to 100,000 NJ = 21	480 randomly selected systems  NJ = 6			
TNCWS	No requirements	No requirements			
Pre-Screen Testing (List 3 Contaminants): viruses = 2 contaminants					
System Type	Systems serving >1,000	Systems serving $\leq$ 1,000			
CWS, TNCWS & NTNCWS	No requirements	800 randomly selected systems  NJ = 3			
	NJ = 160 systems	NJ = 24 systems			

# UCMR Data: 2016 Release 1,048,576 samples nationwide

- 36,991 NJ samples 184 systems
  - PWS > 10,000: 160 systems; 34,738 samples
  - PWS< 10,000: 21 systems, 2253 samples</li>
    - [Very small systems for micro: 3 systems, 33 samples]
- Monitoring type
  - Assessment: monitoring: 34,824 samples
  - Screening survey: 2134
  - Prescreening survey: 33
- Facility type
  - GW = 25,405 samples (143 systems)
  - SW = 9530 samples (86 systems)
  - Mixed = 1860 samples (52 systems)
  - GUDI = 196 samples (2 systems)

### UCMR Data: 2016 Release

- ▶ 36,991 samples analyzed in New Jersey
  - 15,758 first samples
  - 15,328 second
  - 3021 third
  - 2884 fourth
- Sample locations
  - Entry point = 32,882
  - Maximum residence time = 4109
- Collection year
  - 2013 = 11,652
  - $\circ$  2014 = 13,718
  - $\circ$  2015 = 11,398
  - $\circ$  2016 = 223

#### **UCMR** Data

- MRLs lower than in previous UCMRs, more detections than in past UCMRs
- Reference concentrations posted for most contaminants
  - http://water.epa.gov/lawsregs/rulesregs/sdwa/ucmr/ucmr
     3/upload/UCMR3\_FactSheet\_List1.pdf
  - DrinkTap.org
  - NJ specific "reference concentrations"

- Volatile Organic Compounds (7)
  - 174 systems; 1433 samples of each analyte
  - 1,2,3-Trichloropropane
  - 1,3-Butadiene\*
  - Chloromethane (Methyl chloride)
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane
  - Bromomethane (methyl bromide)\*
  - Chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)
  - Bromochloromethane (Halon 1011)
    - USEPA Method 524.3

<sup>\*</sup>Not detected in NJ

# Assessment Monitoring: List 1 VOCs - cont.

- 1,2,3 Trichloropropane
  - DWQI Recommended MCL (2009) = 0.03 ug/L
  - $\circ$  MRL = 0.03 ug/L
  - 2/174 systems > MRL
- ▶ <u>1,1-Dichloroethane</u>
  - $\circ$  NJ MCL = 50 ug/L
  - EPA ref. conc. =  $6/600 \text{ ug/L} (10^{-6}/10^{-4})$
  - MRL = 0.03 ug/L
  - 27/174 systems > MRL

- Synthetic Organic Compounds (1)
  - 174 systems; 1433 samples of each analyte
  - 1,4-dioxane
    - Detected in 341/1433 samples in NJ (24%)
    - PQL modified 11/25/2015; Interim Specific Ground Water Quality Criteria (ISGWQC) became the Groundwater Standard = 0.4 ug/L
    - 27/174 systems > Groundwater Standard = 16% of systems that sampled
    - DEP issued letters to these systems: monitoring
    - EPA Method 522; MRL = 0.07 ug/L

- Oxyhalide Anion (1)
  - 174 systems; 1997 samples

#### Chlorate

- Detected in 1506/1997 samples (75%)
- Detected above EPA ref. conc. (210 ug/L) in 15% of samples; 47% of systems
- EPA 300.1, ASTM D6581-08, Standard Methods 4110D (1997)

- ▶ Metals (6)
  - 175 systems; approx. 2028 samples/metal
  - Vanadium (2 systems> RC; 2<sup>nd</sup> samples low)
  - Molybdenum
  - Cobalt (1 system > RC; 2<sup>nd</sup> low)
  - Strontium
  - Chromium
  - Hexavalent chromium
    - EPA 200.8 Rev 5.4, EPA 218.7

## Assessment Monitoring: List 1 Metals – cont.

#### Strontium

- Detected in 2013/2019 samples (>99%)
- NJ Groundwater standard = 2000 ug/L
- 11/2019 samples and 5/175 systems > NJ Groundwater standard
- DEP notified one system

## Assessment Monitoring: List 1 Metals – cont.

#### Chromium

- $\circ$  MCL = 100 ug/L
- Detected in 132/175 systems (75%)
- 961/2023 samples (48%)
- Range of detections: 0.2–58 ug/L

#### Hexavalent chromium

- Detected in 157/174 systems (90%)
- 1428/2028 samples (70%)
- Range of detections: 0.03–3.8 ug/L

- Perfluorinated Compounds (6)
  - 175 systems; 1461 samples
  - perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS)
  - perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
  - perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)
  - perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS)
  - perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)
  - perfluorobutane sulfonic acid (PFBS)\*

EPA 537 Rev 1.1

<sup>\*</sup> Not detected in NJ

# Assessment Monitoring: List 1 Perfluorinated Compounds (cont.)

#### PFOA

- EPA MRL = 0.020 ug/L or 20 ng/L
- Detected in 87/1461 samples (6%); 18/175 systems (11%)
- EPA Draft HA = 70 ng/L (combined PFOA+ PFOS)
  - 1 sample PFOA above 70 ug/L; 6 systems PFOA+PFOS>70 ug/L
- DEP Draft Guidance (2007) = 40 ng/L
  - 13 samples, 7 systems
- DWQI Draft HB recommendation (2016)= 14 ng/L
  - 87 samples, 19 systems

# Assessment Monitoring: List 1 Perfluorinated Compounds (cont.)

#### PFOS

- EPA MRL = 0.040 ug/L or 40 ng/L
- Detected in 12/1461 samples (0.8%); 6/175 systems > MRL (3%)
- EPA Draft HA = 70 ng/L (combined PFOA+ PFOS)
  - 1 PFOS sample > 70

# Assessment Monitoring: List 1 Perfluorinated Compounds (cont.)

#### PFNA

- EPA MRL = 0.020 ug/L or 20 ng/L
- Detected in 7/1461 samples (0.5%); 4/175 systems (2%)
- No EPA Reference concentration
- Groundwater standard = 0.01 ug/L
- DWQI MCL recommendation (2015)= 13 ng/L
  - 7 samples, 4 systems

## Screening Survey: List 2

- Hormones (7)
  - 28 systems; 2122 samples
  - $17-\beta$ -estradiol\*
  - $17-\alpha$ -ethynylestradiol (ethinyl estradiol)\*
  - 16-α-hydroxyestradiol (estriol)\*
  - Equilin\*
  - Estrone\*
  - Testosterone: I sample in 2013; 3 other samples ND
  - 4-androstene-3,17-dione: 1 sample in 2015, 3 other samples
     ND

USEPA Method 539

<sup>\*</sup>Not detected in NJ

## Pre-Screening Testing: List 3

- List 3 Contaminants
  - Enteroviruses\*
  - Noroviruses\*
  - USEPA Method 1615, developed by USEPA and USGS
    - Aerobic spores
    - Enterococcus
    - Enterovirus (cell culture)
    - Enterovirus (RT-qPCR)
    - E. coli
    - Male specific phage
    - Norovirus GIA
    - Norovirus GIB
    - Norovirus GII
    - Somatic phage
    - Total coliform

<sup>\*</sup> Not detected in NJ

## Summary of NJ UCMR Data

- ▶ Not detected in UCMR3 in NJ (10)
  - 1,3-Butadiene
  - Bromomethane
  - Perfluorobutane sulfonic acid (PFBS)
  - 17−β−estradiol
  - 17- $\alpha$ -ethynylestradiol (ethinyl estradiol)
  - 16-α-hydroxyestradiol (estriol)
  - Equilin
  - Estrone
  - Noroviruses
  - Enteroviruses

## Summary of NJ UCMR Data

- NJ MCL (2)
  - 1,1-Dichloroethane
  - Chromium
- ISGWQC (4)
  - 1,4-Dioxane
  - PFNA
  - Strontium
  - 1,2,3-Trichloropropane
- DWQI recommendation (3)
  - PFNA
  - 1,2,3,- Trichloroethane
  - PFOA
- Under review by DWQI (1)
  - PFOS

## Summary

- ▶ EPA regulatory determination
- Future UCMR4



### UCMR4

- UCMR4 Analytes: all 30 are List 1 contaminants
  - Monitoring 2018–2020
  - 10 cyanotoxins
  - 2 metals
  - 8 pesticides
  - 1 pesticide manufacturing by-product
  - 3 brominated haolacetic acid groups
  - 3 alcohols
  - 3 semivolatile chemicals

https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/fourth-unregulated-contaminantmonitoring-rule

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**Exhibit 4: Timeline of UCMR 4 Activities** 

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
After final rule publication: EPA/state primacy authorities (1) develop SMPs (including the nationally representative sample); (2) inform PWSs/ establish monitoring plans; and (3) continuation of laboratory approval	800 small systems a	Assessment Monitorin List 1 Contaminants  ms serving more than 10;  ms serving 10,000 or few cyanotoxins;  serving 10,000 or fewer p dditional contaminants.  sorting and analysis of da	,000 people; ver people for people for the 20	Complete reporting and analysis of data

#### EXHIBIT 5—SYSTEMS TO PARTICIPATE IN UCMR 4 MONITORING

System size (number of people served)	National sample: Assess	Total number of systems per size	
	10 List 1 cyanotoxins	20 Additional list 1 contaminants <sup>3</sup>	category
Small Systems <sup>1</sup> (25–10,000).	800 randomly selected SW or GWUDI systems	800 randomly selected SW, GWUDI and GW systems	1,600
Large Systems <sup>2</sup> (10,001 and over).	All SW or GWUDI systems (2,725)	All SW, GWUDI and GW systems (4,292)	4,292
Total	3,525	5,092	5,892

<sup>1</sup>Total for small systems is additive because these systems will only be selected for one component of UCMR 4 sampling (10 cyanotoxins or 20 additional contaminants). EPA will pay for all analytical costs associated with monitoring at small systems.2

<sup>2</sup>Large system counts are approximate. The number of large systems is not additive. All SW and GWUDI systems will monitor for cyanotoxins; those same systems will also monitor for the 20 additional List 1 contaminants, as will the large GW systems.

<sup>3</sup>Water systems that are not subject to HAA5 monitoring under the D/DBPRs (§ 141.Subparts L and V) are not required to monitor for the UCMR 4 HAAs or associated indicators (TOC and bromide).

## **UCMR4** Analytes

#### 10 Cyanotoxins (EPA 544, 545, 546)

- Total Microcystins (546)
- Microcystin-LR,-LA, -LY, -RR, -LF, -YR
- Nodularin
- Cylindrospermopsin
- Anatoxin-a

#### 2 metals (EPA 200.8)

- Germanium
- Manganese

#### 8 pesticides, 1 pesticide manufacturing (EPA 525.3)

- alpha-Hexachlorocyclohexane
- Chlorpyrifos
- Dimethipin
- Ethoprop
- Oxyfluorfen
- Profenofos
- Tebuconazoletotal
- Total Permethrin (cis- & trans-)
- Tribufos

## UCMR4 Analytes contd.

- 3 brominated haloacetic acid groups (EPA 552.3, EPA 557)
  - HAA5
  - HAA6br
  - HAA9
- 3 alcohols (EPA 541)
  - 1-Butanol
  - 2-Methoxyethanol
  - 2-Propen-1-ol
- 3 semivolatile chemicals (EPA 530)
  - Butylated hydroxyanisole
  - o-Toluidine
  - Quinoline
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### Questions?