

## DRINKING WATER QUALITY INSTITUTE

### REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

#### FOR

#### Cyanotoxins

**January 16, 2025**

The Drinking Water Quality Institute (DWQI) was established (Title 58:12A-20) to make recommendations including the development of drinking water standards including maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), development of appropriate testing techniques to measure MCLs, and testing frequencies for implementation by the Drinking Water Quality Program of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The DWQI has developed a draft drinking water standard for the cyanotoxin microcystin.

Consistent with the DWQI public participation process, the DWQI is holding a 60-day (January 16 – March 17, 2025) public comment period during which the public may submit comments on the Subcommittee Reports and the development of a recommendation for a drinking water standard for microcystin. Please indicate which Subcommittee report, and page number, the submitted comments pertain to. The reports can also be found at [https://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/g\\_boards\\_dwqi.html](https://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/g_boards_dwqi.html), under the “Public Comments” Tab.

- **Testing Subcommittee Report:** Report on the Development of a Practical Quantitation Level for Microcystin in Drinking Water, <https://nj.gov/dep/watersupply/pdf/dwqi-testing-subcommittee-draft-microcystin-report-for-public-comment.pdf>
- **Treatment Subcommittee Report:** Recommendation on Cyanotoxin Treatment Options in Drinking Water, <https://nj.gov/dep/watersupply/pdf/dwqi-treatment-subcommittee-draft-cyanotoxin-report-for-public-comment.pdf>

**Comments will be accepted until 5 pm on Monday, March 17, 2025.**

**ALL COMMENTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO [dwqi@dep.nj.gov](mailto:dwqi@dep.nj.gov) with “Microcystin Public Comment” in the Subject Line.**

**Additional information on the DWQI can be found at:**

**[http://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/g\\_boards\\_dwqi.html](http://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/g_boards_dwqi.html)**