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DWS Circular Letter #2019-10

To: Small Community Water Systems

From: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section

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Date: April 23, 2019

Subject: Hydropneumatic Tank Assessments Due 5/2/19 - Reminder

As a result of the recent passing of Bill 5163 (Public Act No. 18-168 §61), all small community water systems that maintain a hydropneumatic storage tank as part of their water system must complete a fiscal and asset management assessment review for its hydropneumatic tank by no later than **May 2, 2019** using the [Hydropneumatic Tank Fiscal and Asset Assessment Form](#) developed by the Department. This form, and more information including links to a series of webinars presented in partnership with the Environmental Finance Center Network, Inc., to help educate water systems about the new requirements, can be found on the new Drinking Water Section [Capacity Development webpage](#).

Compliance Schedules have been added for all small community PWS that have a hydropneumatic storage tank as part of their water system inventory. If you have already replaced or eliminated an aging hydropneumatic storage tank, or need additional time to complete the assessment, please notify the Department prior to the May 2nd due date. Failure to conduct and submit the assessment to the Department by May 2, 2019 as required by the statute may result in referral to formal enforcement and assessment of civil penalties.

A reminder that community public water systems are eligible to apply for and receive a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) for the replacement or elimination of an existing hydropneumatic tank. Within the DWSRF, a Small Loan Program is available for obtaining loans under \$100,000 with streamlined procedures for projects that eliminate hydropneumatic tanks and replace them with variable frequency drive pumping systems. For more information on this loan program please visit the [DWSRF website](#) or contact a representative from the DWSRF Program at (860) 509-7333.



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