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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has a new online resource called "Procedures for Identifying Cooling Towers," developed to help investigators identify and search for cooling towers during legionellosis outbreak investigations. The resource provides guidance on:

- Visual characteristics of cooling towers,
- Characteristics of buildings likely to have cooling towers,
- Defining the search zone, and
- Various search strategies.

<https://www.cdc.gov/legionella/health-depts/environmental-inv-resources/id-cooling-towers.html>



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