

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR EXTENDED POWER OUTAGES

- WHO:** All **Community** Waterworks
- WHAT:** **Develop & maintain** a written plan to follow in the event of power outages that extend 5 days or longer. **Certify** to the appropriate Office of Drinking Water Field Office *in writing* that one has been completed.
- WHERE:** The plan must be kept in a **location readily accessible** to employees in the event of an extended power outage
- WHEN:** The Plan must be kept **current** – review & update at least annually (before hurricane season)
- WHY:** Ensure a **reliable potable water** supply to your customers; a Plan is required by 12VAC5-590-505 of the *Waterworks Regulations*
- HOW:** Address the following content in your Emergency Management Plan:
1. Identify **Activation Criteria** (describe “event”, duration of power outage etc.)
 2. Detail **Operation Procedures & Resources**
 - a. Delivery of alternate sources of drinking water
 - b. Emergency disinfection of waterlines & storage tanks
 3. Plan **Communications**
 - a. Draft Water Advisories – Boil Water, Conservation, etc.
 - b. Identify Methods & Medium (Radio, TV, signs, etc.)
 - c. Include Contact Information:
 - Office of Drinking Water Field Office
 - Waterworks Personnel
 - Local Emergency Coordinator (designated by VDEM)
 - Utilities