



Approved Annual Startup Procedure for Maine Seasonal Public Water Systems Using Surface Water

The following startup procedure is approved by the Maine Drinking Water Program in accordance with the Revised Total Coliform Rule for seasonal water systems using a surface water source. Any startup procedures for seasonal surface water public water systems that do not include the elements identified in the procedure outlined below must be pre-approved by the water system's DWP Field Inspector.

Public Water System Name: _____ **PWSID#:** _____

- 1. Assemble, Pressurize and Flush Water System:** Reconnect any disconnected pipes throughout water system and flush water through entire system to remove debris. Inspect above ground piping for leaks. For systems with storage tanks other than pressure (bladder) tanks, be sure to adequately drain old water and flush out with new water.
- 2. Inspect and Startup Treatment:** Check to make sure treatment system is in good operating condition and, if necessary, have treatment serviced. Keep maintenance logs. Ensure proper residual and turbidity reading and begin reporting chlorine residuals and turbidity readings on MOR's.
- 3. Take Operations and Maintenance (O&M) bacterial sample (Strongly Recommended but not Required):** After flushing and treatment startup, collect an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) bacteria sample to ensure that the system disinfection was adequate and complete. Clearly label and mark any O&M samples as "Operation and Maintenance samples."

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF ANNUAL STARTUP PROCEDURES

I hereby certify that I have completed all startup procedures as outlined above in this seasonal startup procedure document on the day indicated below and for the public water system indicated.

Signature: _____

PWS Name: _____ PWSID#: _____

Date Open (serving water to public): _____ Date Startup Procedure Completed: _____

Name of Person Completing Startup Procedure: _____

Send completed and signed seasonal startup procedure document to the attention of your Compliance Officer before you open and begin serving water to the public at:

Maine CDC Drinking Water Program, 11 SHS, 286 Water St., 3rd Floor, Augusta, ME 04333-0011

Failure to submit this certification before you open and begin serving water to the public may result in drinking water violations and increased Total Coliform monitoring requirements.