Public Notice

July 19, 2018

Subject: Sewage Overflow into the Hudson River

Earlier this week there was a combined storm water/sewage overflow into the Hudson River roughly 2 miles downstream of our drinking water treatment facility. Upon the occurrence the City of Poughkeepsie notified DEC through NY Alert. Monitoring at the treatment facility did not identify any impact to our water supply.

Our intake is located 1,500 feet into the river and 5-feet from the river bottom. River flow throughout the period exceeded 1,000,000,000 gallons per day (gpd) while our intake flow averaged 12,000,000 gpd. Dilution and the distance our intake is from the spill would make impact to our facility unlikely. The treatment facility operated normally including three phases of disinfection which includes Ozonation, Ultraviolet Light and Chlorination.

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