BEFORE THE
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

January 22, 2020
Public Notice: Proposed Rulemaking Governing Primary Drinking Water Standards Rules

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW) has proposed revisions to various rules in Chapter 3745-81 of the Ohio Administrative Code. These rules have been reviewed to satisfy the five-year rule review requirements of section 106.03 and 106.031 of the Ohio Revised Code.

DDAGW is proposing amendments to rules 3745-81-23, 3745-81-31, 3745-81-33, 3745-81-67 and 3745-81-68. The proposed amendments to rules include the following:

- OAC Rule 3745-81-23 making minor grammar corrections
- OAC Rule 3745-81-31 including references to OAC Rule 3745-89-08
- OAC Rule 3745-81-33 minor revisions for identification of sample requirements.
- OAC Rule 3745-81-67 clarifying that failure to comply with reporting requirements except for the requirement to submit a general plan is a treatment technique violation.
- OAC Rule 3745-81-68 adding a reference to “Guidance for Implementing Action Spectra Correction with Medium Pressure UV Disinfection (Web Report #4376)”

A public hearing will be conducted on February 26th, 2020 beginning at 10:30 am in Conference Room B at the Ohio EPA, Lazarus Government Center, 50 West Town Street, Columbus, Ohio. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and give their written or oral comments on this proposed rule-making. A presiding officer will be present until all interested persons have been heard.

To facilitate scheduling of oral presentations, persons intending to give testimony at the hearing should ensure that Ohio EPA receives notice of such intent by February 25th, 5:00 p.m. Persons who provide Ohio EPA with prior notice will be heard ahead of persons who register at the hearing. All visitors to Ohio EPA must register at the Security desk in the lobby upon arrival. Please bring photo identification (such as a valid driver's license). For security reasons, visitors are required to wear their badge at all times while in the building. Please arrive early to complete these procedures. To provide notice of intent to give oral comments at the public hearing, contact Kamalpreet Kawatra by mail at Ohio EPA, DDAGW, Lazarus Government Center, 50 West Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio 43215, or by phone at (614) 644-2915.

In order to ensure that written comments are considered as part of the official record of this hearing, written comments must be received by Ohio EPA by the close of business February 26th, 2020. Written comments on the proposed rules may be given to the presiding officer during the hearing, sent by mail to
Kamalpreet Kawatra at the address above, or sent by email to the following address: ddagw_rulecomments@epa.ohio.gov.

To obtain a copy of the proposed rules, contact Kamalpreet Kawatra at Ohio EPA at (614) 644-2915 or email at kamalpreet.kawatra@epa.ohio.gov. Please request the “Primary Drinking Water Amended Rules” and be sure to include your name, telephone number, and complete mailing address. The proposed rules will be available on the Agency web page until their adoption or withdrawal. They can be found at http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/rules.aspx on the “Proposed Rule” tab.

Comments can be submitted in hard copy to the following address: "Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, DDAGW, P.O. Box 1049, Lazarus Government Center, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, Attn: Kamalpreet Kawatra" or by email to ddagw_rulecomments@epa.ohio.gov. Comments should be received at the above address by close of business, February 26, 2020.