

MEETING NOTICE

Southeastern Connecticut Water Utility Coordinating Committee (SEWUCC)

Date: Monday, March 18, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Office of Southeastern CT Council of Governments; 5 Connecticut Avenue, Norwich

SEWUCC Co-Chairmen Robert Congdon and John Bilda have called a SEWUCC meeting, as detailed above, to discuss and act on the following agenda items:

AGENDA

- 1) Open Meeting
- 2) Procedural Issues
- 3) Update the SEWUCC Coordinated Water System Plan
- 4) Approval of the SCCOG Regional Water Committee as the planning body for the WUCC
- 5) Change* Franklin Exclusive Service Area (ESA) to name the Town of Franklin the ESA provider for all areas not currently receiving public water service; * see footnote below
- 6) Other
- 7) Set future meeting date(s)
- 8) Adjournment

***Footnote:** Establishing or revising DPH approved Exclusive Service Areas is addressed per statutory and regulatory requirements in CGS 25-33 and RCSA 25-33, respectively. Condensed versions below are for reference purposes only; all parties should consult, review, & be aware of regulatory requirements.

RCSA Section 25-33h-1.(j): Alteration of Water Supply Management Area Boundaries/Priorities.

(2) Alteration of management area boundaries/priorities may be initiated by DPH per the procedures and criteria for establishing boundaries and priorities found in CGS 25-33g and RCSA 25-33h-1.(d)(2)(B) (condensed versions below); (3) Coordinated plans shall be revised when altering management area boundaries within six months of the date of such action unless extended schedule is approved by DPH.

CGS Section 25-33g: Exclusive Service Area (ESA) boundaries. (b) Commissioner of Public Health ... may change ESA boundaries taking into consideration water company rights by statute, special act or administrative decisions. ... In considering change to ESA boundaries, the commissioner shall maintain existing service areas & consider established ESAs & orderly/efficient development of public supply.

RCSA Section 25-33h-1.(d)(2)(B): ESA Boundaries. (i) In establishing ESA boundaries, the WUCC shall: (aa) Allow utilities to maintain existing service areas; (ii) 'Some' factors used in determining ESA boundaries include: (aa) Existing water service area; (ee) Water company rights by statute or special act; (gg) Ability of a water system to provide a pure and adequate supply of water now and in the future.

RCSA Sect. 25-33h-1.(g): Plan Approval. (2) DPH in approving/rejecting coordinated plans considers: (A) Ability to provide pure, adequate & reliable water supplies for present/projected future customers; (D) Extent to which plan identifies and solves WUCC problems; (E) Consist w/local/regional/state land use policies; (G) PWS integration consistent with protecting and enhancing public health; (F) Impact on other uses of water resources; (I) Availability of alternate sources of water supplies; (J) Consistency w/ existing state regulatory programs and statutory requirements; (K) Compatibility with other WUCC management area plans; (L) Comments from DEEP, PURA, OPM, towns, RPO's, local/regional health departments;(3) DPH may schedule a public hearing in the management area to receive comment on a coordinated plan.

RCSA Section 25-33h-1.(k): Plan Implemented. (1) To extent feasible, all DPH permits per CGS chapter 474 shall be consistent with approved coordinated plans; (2) Water utilities are responsible for providing adequate service as requested by consumers & under terms provided by statute, regulation & ordinance in their ESA boundaries in a reasonable time frame; This may include development of supply sources, main extensions, or satellite management; (3) No PWS may be approved after a WUCC has convened unless an existing PWS is unable to provide water service or the WUCC recommends such approval; (4) Individual PWS plans submitted per CGS 25-32d shall be consistent with approved coordinated plans.