

November 19, 2024

Marc Thorne, Mayor Town of Sussex 524 Main Street Sussex, NB E4E 3E4

## **RE: INTERDICTION - Ward 1, Sussex, NB.**

Your Worship,

On November 19, 2024, the Town of Sussex issued a boil water advisory due to a watermain break and subsequent loss of pressure in the water distribution system. The work required dewatering a section of the water main. These low pressure events can lead to backflow and potentially contaminate the potable water supply. This will leave Ward 1 without potable water.

All affected residents must be advised to boil their water until further notice.

Therefore, under Section 6(2) of the New Brunswick Public Health Act, the boil water order shall remain in effect until the following actions have been completed:

- Repairs have been completed as per AWWA standards.
- A thorough flushing of the water main has been conducted.
- Acceptable chlorine residual results have been provided to the Department of Health.

• After disinfection and final flushing, two sets of acceptable bacteriological sample results have been taken from the impacted area at least 16 hours apart. Testing must be representative of the area affected.

As purveyor of the supply, you must advise users accordingly. The following are recommendations and information that should be conveyed to users during this period:

• All water destined for drinking, preparing infant formulas and juices, making ice, washing fruits and vegetables, cooking, or dental hygiene be held at a rolling boil for one (1) minute, or an alternate safe source of water should be used/provided. Toddlers and infants should be sponge-bathed and caregivers need to ensure no bath water is swallowed.

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Users can find information about common questions related to boil water advisories in the document available here:

http://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/hs/pdf/en/HealthyEnvironments/water/BoilWaterAdvisoriesQuestionsAnswers.pdf

If you have any questions, please contact your local Health Protection Services office at (506) 658-3022.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kimberley Barker Medical Officer of Health, South Region

Cc: Shaun Crawley, Regional Director, South Region Jim Kane, Public Health Inspector,

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