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To: Board Level and Day to Day Contacts of Water and Sewerage Companies and Water Companies in England and Wales

Dear Sir or Madam

THE WATER INDUSTRY (SUPPLIERS' INFORMATION) DIRECTION 2021

Purpose

1. This letter is to inform you of the introduction of the Water Industry (Suppliers' Information) Direction 2021 on behalf of the Secretary of State and Welsh Ministers, and to outline the key changes within it. A copy of the Direction is sent with this letter and will also be available on the Inspectorate's website (www.dwi.gov.uk).

Background

2. The Water Industry (Suppliers' Information) Direction 2021 will come into effect on 1 May 2021 and will supersede the Water Industry (Suppliers' Information) Direction 2020.

Key changes in the 2021 Direction

- 3. The amendments to the Direction are summarised:
 - i. New requirements are introduced in section 11 to submit information regarding every current chemical that is dosed into the drinking water at every water treatment works, service reservoir and distribution network, including membrane cleaning chemicals.
- ii. New requirements are introduced in section 12 to submit information regarding every current service reservoir, contact tank and final water storage tank.

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Copies of this letter are being sent to: Christine McGourty, Chief Executive, Water UK; Sophie Broadfield, Deputy Director Water Quality, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs; Eifiona Williams, Water Management Team, Welsh Government; Sue Petch, Drinking Water Quality Regulator for Scotland; Catriona Davis, Drinking Water Inspectorate for Northern Ireland; Emma Clancy of CCW; Alison Cullen, Ofwat; Simon Moody, Environment Agency; Benedict Duncan, Food Standards Agency; and Stephen Robjohns at Public Health England.

Yours faithfully

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