

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WSG 38

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**Revised by:** Wendy Warren

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to Questions Raised by Region IV Concerning Public Notification Requirements for the Unregulated Contaminants

FROM: John R. Trax, P.E., Chief (signed by John Trax)  
Drinking Water Branch (WM-550X)

TO: William Patton, Chief  
Water Supply Section - Region IV

I would like to respond to two questions raised by your staff concerning public notification requirements for the unregulated organic contaminants.

The second question involves the media usage for public notification for the unregulated organic contaminants where the requirement is a notice within three months from the availability of the test results. The issue is whether a newspaper notice meets the requirements when the regulation mentioned "written notice." Newspaper notification will fulfill the requirement if the circulation of the newspaper adequately covers the consumer of the water system.

Please contact Craig Damron at 382-5556 if you have further questions or need clarification on public notification requirements.

cc: All other Regional Branch Chiefs

**\*Note: Question 1 deleted, as covered in the current section 141.35(d).**