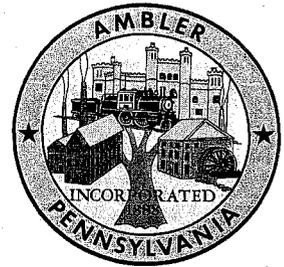


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RE: DEP Proposed Rulemaking Amending Chapter 109 (ID #7-407)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Referencing the above-mentioned DEP-Proposed Rulemaking relating to safe drinking water, the Borough of Ambler has the following comments and concerns:

1. The auto-dialer that would need to be purchased by Ambler Borough is estimated to cost \$30,000.00 plus installation. The cost associated with this equipment would present a financial hardship to Ambler Borough since there are no funds in the current Borough budget to purchase and install this device.
2. Reporting each and every water main break, regardless of how minor, is grossly unreasonable. Most of the main breaks in the Borough's system are minor in nature and do not involve back siphonage. The Borough maintains existing policy to notify the general public affected whenever a major main break occurs.
3. Implementing a policy for the public to boil water as a result of every water main break occurrence would have an adverse effect on customer confidence.
4. When a major main break occurs that affects more than 150 customers, it is Ambler Borough's policy to notify these customers with a public service announcement through the normal radio and television media. If less than 150 customers are affected by a similar occurrence, Ambler Borough's policy is to contact these customers by telephone. If either of the above events occurs, Ambler Borough provides a recorded message on the Borough's emergency voice mail system.

Very truly yours,

Mary Aversa
Acting Manager, Ambler Borough

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Water Superintendent, Ambler Borough

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