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National Drinking Water Advisory Council
Attn: Lisa D. Daniels, Chair
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Dear Ms. Daniels:

Thank you for your letter of December 14, 2021, to Michael Regan, Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Because the Office of Water is responsible for carrying out requirements of the SDWA, I have been asked to respond to your letter. I would like to thank the National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC or Council) for providing advice and recommendations to EPA on targeted issues related to revisions to the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule, as required by the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018. In addition, I would like to thank the NDWAC Consumer Confidence Report Working Group for their dedication and diligence in support of the work of the Council.

Feedback and recommendations from the NDWAC play an important role in EPA's rulemaking process. Your letter emphasizes important issues and provides EPA with the Council's recommendations related to addressing accessibility challenges; advancing environmental justice and supporting underserved communities; improving readability, understandability, clarity, and accuracy of information and risk communication of CCRs; and CCR delivery manner and methods. EPA appreciates the Council's thoughtful effort in providing the consensus recommendations, as well as non-consensus additional guidance, to the agency. We will take the Council's work under careful consideration as the agency moves forward.

Again, thank you for your letter and for the valued input that the NDWAC provides to EPA on issues of significance to the protection of public health under the Safe Drinking Water Act. If the Council has further questions, please contact Elizabeth Corr at (202) 564-3798.

Sincerely,

Jennifer L. McLain
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