

City of Madison, Wisconsin
Water Utility Board

**POLICY ON TESTING FOR PHARMACEUTICALS
AND ENDOCRINE DISRUPTING COMPOUNDS**

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If any of the following conditions were to occur, it might trigger the Water Utility to initiate testing for pharmaceuticals and endocrine disrupting compounds. They include:

- 1) Studies on deep, groundwater wells that document the detection of pharmaceuticals and/or endocrine disruptors at significant levels,
- 2) Evidence suggesting significant contamination of Madison deep wells from leaking sewers or faulty well construction,
- 3) New information shows potential human health effects at ultra-trace levels, or concentrations below one part per trillion, or
- 4) The establishment of a new federal or state health-based standard.

The decision whether or not to test for these substances should be reviewed annually.