Water Utility Board Procedural Guideline			
Title:	GUIDE 4 – <u>Water Utility</u> Board- <del>of Health for Madison and Dane County</del> Fluoridation Policy <del>(Resolution # 2009-22)</del>		
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The benefits and safety of community water fluoridation are endorsed by Public Health Madison and Dane County, the American Water Works Association (AWWA), World Health Organization (WHO), American Medical Association (AMA), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), American Dental Association (ADA), and other professional organizations in the medical community.

The Madison Water Utility Board supports water fluoridation in a responsible, effective, and reliable manner. This includes monitoring and control of fluoride levels to meet the target levels recommended by Public Health Madison and Dane County and to comply with all applicable state and/or federal laws.

The Water Utility Board is committed to regular reviews of the most current research on fluoride. At minimum, the board will review its fluoridation policy every ten years.

The Board of Health Madison and Dane County, based on the review of the body of accepted scientific research and conclusions by national and international bodies charged with ensuring and advancing public health and safety, and staff analysis of the safety and effectiveness of fluoridating the public water supply to promote dental health, adopts the policy developed by Public Health Madison and Dane County (dated). The Board further directs a review and report to the Board every five years to make necessary changes or reaffirm the policy.

The Board further directs the Madison Water Utility to add, control and monitor fluoride in the public water supply within the US Environmental Protection Association recommended range of 0.7 – 1.2 parts per million to maintain optimum levels for dental health.

The Board does not recommend by the Madison Water Utility or Public Health Madison and Dane County the issuance of health warnings to the general or special populations when fluoride levels are maintained at the recommended levels. The Board supports the Madison Water Utility's public notification guidelines detailed in its standard operating procedures for fluoridation. These guidelines currently require notification whenever fluoride is detected in the distribution system at a level above 4 parts per million or if the running annual average at any entry point exceeds 2 parts per million.