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Public Utilities Recognized with Award

Harrisonburg, VA – The Virginia Department of Health Office of Drinking Water recently announced that Harrisonburg’s Public Utilities Department has been recognized for the operations and performance in providing clean drinking water to the community.

The Department has received the **2014 Excellence in Waterworks Operations/Performance Award**.

This award is given to a municipality for their outstanding performance in water sampling, compliance by testing, and reporting the water quality as it pertains to regulated contaminants.

“One of our primary responsibilities is to provide clean drinking water to our residents and businesses,” said Mike Collins, Director of Public Utilities. “We are proud to be recognized for this achievement and we continuously strive to maintain high standards of our water quality.”

It begins at Harrisonburg’s Water Treatment Plant where staff excel in their day-to-day performance and records the initial water quality. Then, Field Utilities staff members work to protect the quality of the water in the distribution system. Finally, the Public Utilities Department also has an engineering team who works with the Water Treatment Plant operators to schedule and make reports on the program. It truly is a team effort in the Water Department.

To learn more about Harrisonburg’s drinking water, visit www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/water-quality.

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