

wholesome water under section 68(1)(a) of the Water Industry Act 1991 "the Act" and the requirement of regulation 3(3)(c) of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989 that the water supplied should not contain concentrations or values of the parameters in Tables A to C of those Regulations in excess of the prescribed concentrations or values.

2. Has notified the Company on 31st March 1993, he is considering making in relation to the Company an enforcement Order under section 18 of the Act.

3. Notes that the Company has on 9th February 1996, given a new undertaking under the section 19(1)(b) of the Act to take the following steps specified in the Schedule of Works by the dates shown:

(a) Submit to the Secretary of State the Company's strategy for improving the performance of its distribution system. To be completed by 31st December 1995.

(b) Carry out investigations in the zones identified in the annex to the Schedule;

(i) identify the extent and nature of contraventions. To be completed by 31st March 1997.

(ii) identify appropriate remedial measures. To be completed by 31st March 1997, and

(iii) prioritise and programme the execution of remedial measures. To be completed by 31st March 1997.

(c) Submit to the Secretary of State a statement of the current situation and remedial action taken and required in the zones identified in the Annex to the Schedule. To be completed annually by 28th February.

(d) Submit to the Secretary of State the Company's programme for the execution of remedial measures. To be completed Annually by 28th February.

(e) Renovate (ie replace or reline) a total of 873 kilometres of the distribution system. This renovation is to be carried out according to the priorities identified by the Company's strategy, zone action statements and programme referred to in 3(a), 3(c) and 3(d) above and as summarised in the Annex to the Schedule. To be completed by 31st March 2000.

(f) Submit a further draft undertaking to the Secretary of State to complete any remaining renovation work consistent with an up to date Company strategy, zone action statements and programme. To be completed by 31st March 1996.

4. Is satisfied that the Company has given and is complying with an undertaking to take all such steps as appear to the Secretary of State for the time being to be appropriate to secure or facilitate compliance with the requirement of regulations 3(3)(c) of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989.

Authorised by the Secretary of State to sign in that behalf.

M. Rouse, Chief Inspector

You can find out about the work and whether your water supply is affected by telephoning the Water Company on 01392 446688, or writing to them at Peninsula House, Rydon Lane, Exeter EX2 7HR, and quoting DoE undertaking reference number SW 502.

A copy of the undertaking can also be seen at the offices of the Director General of Water Services, City Centre Tower, 7 Hill Street, Birmingham B5 4UA. (Ref. No. E1361/01/DWL.)

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WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 19(1)(B)

Consumers in Hartley Wintney, East Meon, Long Sutton, Popham, Alton, Aldershot, Binstead, Ellisfield, Ash, Basingstoke and Ropley, Frensham, Putterham and Maidenhead who might be affected by improvement work being carried out by Mid Southern Water plc will wish to be aware of the following information.

Although the water has at all times been, and remains, safe to drink, the Company has found through its water quality monitoring programme that water received by consumers in these areas has on occasion not met the standards for certain parameters (normally those associated with occasional occurrences of discoloured water), as required by the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989, because of deficiencies in the distribution system.

The Company gave a legally binding undertaking on 10th January 1990 to carry out appropriate remedial work, as the first stage of a long term programme, to refurbish affected parts of the distribution system.

The Secretary of State for the Environment reviewed this undertaking and concluded that, whilst the Company had taken the necessary steps to discharge its duties in respect of the undertaking, the steps in the undertaking no longer continued to represent the most appropriate steps for the Company to take to achieve compliance with the standards for the particular parameters.

Consequently the Company has given a new undertaking on 25th January 1996 containing appropriate steps to carry out further remedial work as the next stage in the programme of improvement, and the Secretary of State has informed the Company that he is satisfied the Company is complying with this new undertaking by serving on them the notice below:

WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 19(1)(B)

The Secretary of State for the Environment:

1. Is satisfied that Mid Southern Water plc "the Company" in supplying water in 17 supply zones has contravened and is likely to do so again its duty to supply wholesome water under section 68(1)(a) of the Water Industry Act 1991 "the Act" and the requirement of regulation 3(3)(c) of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989 that the water supplied should not contain concentrations or values of the parameters in Tables A to C of those Regulations in excess of the prescribed concentrations or values.

2. Has notified the Company on 31st March 1993 he is considering making in relation to the Company an enforcement order under section 18 of the Act.

3. Notes that the Company has on 25th January 1996 given a new undertaking under the section 19 of the Act to take the following steps in the Schedule of Works by the dates shown:

(a) Submit to the Secretary of State the Company's strategy for improving the performance of its distribution system. To be completed by 31st December 1995.

(b) Carry out investigations in the zones identified in the annex to the Schedule to

(i) identify the extent and nature of contraventions. To be completed by 30th September 1997.

(ii) identify appropriate remedial measures. To be completed by 28th February 1998.

(iii) prioritise and programme the execution of remedial measures. To be completed by 28th February 1998.

(c) Submit to the Secretary of State a statement of the current situation and remedial action taken and required in the zones identified in the Annex to the Schedule. To be completed annually by 28th February.

(d) Submit to the Secretary of State the Company's programme for the execution of remedial measures. To be completed annually by 28th February.

(e) Renovate (i.e. replace or reline) a total of 510 kilometres of the distribution system. This renovation is to be carried out according to the priorities identified by the Company's strategy, zone action statements and programme referred to in (a), (c) and (d) above and as summarised in the annex to the Schedule. To be completed by 31st March 2000.

(f) Submit a further draft Undertaking to the Secretary of State to complete any remaining renovation work consistent with an up to date Company strategy, zone action statements and programme. To be completed by 31st March 1999.

4. Is satisfied that the Company has given and is complying with an undertaking to take all such steps as appear to the Secretary of State for the time being to be appropriate to secure or facilitate compliance with the requirement of regulation 3(3)(c) of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989.

Authorised by the Secretary of State to sign in that behalf

M. Rouse, Chief Inspector

You can find out about the work and whether your water supply is affected by telephoning the Water Company on 01252 835031, or writing to them at Frimley Green, Camberley, Surrey GU16 6HZ and quoting DoE undertaking reference number MS 017.

A copy of the undertaking can also be seen at the offices of the Director General of Water Services, City Centre Tower, 7 Hill Street, Birmingham B5 4UA. (Ref. No. E1362/01/DWL.)

20th May 1996.

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WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 19(1)(b)

Consumers in the south-west of Sherbourne, in Dorset, who might be affected by improvement work being carried out by Wessex Water Services Limited at its Woolcombe Water Treatment Works, will wish to be aware of the following information.

Although the water has at all times been, and remains safe to drink, the Company has found from its water quality monitoring programme that water supplied from this works has on occasion not