



Online Water Security

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From the Editor

Welcome to the Water Information Sharing and Analysis Center (WaterISAC) free e-newsletter. When planning for water utility emergencies and responding to physical or environmental threats, WaterISAC believes information may be the best defense. So, as an expansion of our online, subscriber-based service, we share useful information and ideas via our e-newsletter.

THIS MONTH: We provide information about a valuable two-day EPA security training workshop and two useful technology evaluation programs. In addition, we provide a link to the upcoming WEFTEC conference, which is an important technical conference for water sector professionals. Visit WaterISAC at booth # 908.

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Free Training Slated On Response To Intentional Water Contamination Threat

U.S. EPA will conduct its final emergency response two-day training workshops October 11-12 in Richmond, Va.

Day 1:

- Instructional training on emergency response
- Extensive training on EPA Response Protocol Toolbox
- Discussion of the National Incident Management System
- Focus on Incident Command System and activation of Emergency Operations

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The Water Quality Event

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Day 2:

- Detailed tabletop exercise
 - Centered on intentional contamination of public water supply.
 - Involves utility personnel, FBI, local and state police, emergency responders, EPA, state regulatory agencies, state and local health departments, elected officials, and other agencies that would be involved in the response of such an incident

There is no fee to attend the workshop, but space is limited. Participants are encouraged to apply early. All participants must register online at [EPA Emergency Response Training Workshop Registration](#).

DID YOU KNOW

...You can benefit from resources and tools developed by the EPA to help water and wastewater utilities become better prepared and more secure.

- [Environmental Technology Verification \(ETV\) Program](#) - The Water Security Division is working with the Agency's Office of Research and Development to support verification of water security technologies. During 2003, six cyanide detection and eight rapid toxicity detection technologies were verified. In 2004, immunoassay test kits and rapid polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technologies were verified using similar type threat agents.
- [Technology Testing and Evaluation Program](#) - The Technology Testing & Evaluation Program (TTEP) was established as part of EPA's homeland security research efforts to assist in providing protection of the nation's drinking water systems and the safety of the public in buildings and other structures. TTEP is an outgrowth of EPA's successful and internationally recognized Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) Program.

SAVE THE DATE FOR WEFTEC

WEFTEC is the Water Environment Federation's annual educational event for water sector professionals. The conference draws thousands of attendees from around the world to learn the latest water and wastewater practices, solutions, and regulations in their field. Click the WEFTEC logo above to link to the WEFTEC site.

The WaterISAC (www.waterisac.org) is the only centralized, secure, online resource of security threats that solely serves America's drinking water and wastewater utilities. The WaterISAC e-newsletter is a monthly electronic publication that highlights useful tips, case studies or analysis about water security.

P.S. Got questions, comments, or ideas for us?
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