- WAC 246-290-71003 Public notification distribution. (1) Purveyors must provide public notice as required under WAC 246-290-71001(1) according to Tier designation generally described in 40 C.F.R. 141.201. The form, manner, timing and frequency for each Tier of public notice, as defined in Table 2 of 40 C.F.R. 141.201 shall be in accordance with:
  - (a) 40 C.F.R. 141.202 for Tier 1 public notice.
  - (b) 40 C.F.R. 141.203 for Tier 2 public notice.
  - (c) 40 C.F.R. 141.204 for Tier 3 public notice.
- (2) In addition, notice to new billing units and consumers must be given in accordance with 40 C.F.R. 141.206.
- (3) Purveyors of community, NTNC and TNC systems shall provide notice as described in this subsection, or as described in a departmental order within three months of receipt of a departmental order, or a category red operating permit. The purveyor shall provide the department with a copy of the notice at the time the purveyor notifies the public.
- (a) Purveyors of community and NTNC systems shall provide newspaper notice to water system users.
- (i) "Newspaper notice," as used above, means publication in a daily newspaper of general circulation or in a weekly newspaper of general circulation if a daily newspaper does not serve the area. The purveyor may substitute a community or homeowner's association newsletter or similar periodical publication if the newspaper reaches all affected consumers within the specified time.
- (ii) The purveyor shall substitute a posted notice in the absence of a newspaper of general circulation or homeowner's association newsletter or similar periodical publication. The purveyor shall post the notice within the time frame specified in this subsection.
- (b) Purveyors of TNC systems shall post a notice or notify consumers by other methods authorized by the department for receipt of a red operating permit.
- (c) The purveyor shall place posted notices in conspicuous locations and present the notices in a manner making them easy to read. Notices shall remain posted until the violation is corrected.
- (d) The purveyor of a community or NTNC water system shall give a copy of the most recent public notice for all outstanding violations to all new billing units or new hookups before or at the time water service begins.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.20.050 (2) and (3) and 70.119A.080. WSR 03-08-037, § 246-290-71003, filed 3/27/03, effective 4/27/03.]