



**PALM BEACH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & ENGINEERING**

**Technical Memorandum 07-1 PR (Supersedes Technical Memorandum 03-1PR)
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To: Utility Directors, Consulting Engineers, Utility Contractors and Water Laboratories

Re: Release of Water and Wastewater Facilities for Use

Palm Beach County Environmental Control Rule II, (ECR-II), Section 11(C) and 12, and Rule 62-555.340, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) requires that a public water supply facility be bacteriologically cleared and a certification of completion submitted before it can be released for use.

In order to obtain a release for water facilities, the following material must be submitted:

1. Completed Certification of Construction Completion form 62-555.900(9) for Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) permits or PBCHD ECR II 12(3)A for Palm Beach County Health Department (PBCHD) permits.
2. One (1) set of record drawings; in the case of water distribution system, fire line or water main extension, the sample points must be indicated with the completed and certified water main highlighted.
3. Satisfactory results of the bacteriological tests, which must not be more than sixty (60) days old.
4. In the case of well construction, a "Well Completion Report" must be submitted by the well driller and the chemical analysis required by Rule 62-550, F.A.C. and ECR-II. Chemical analysis will be required for contaminants as listed in the permit special conditions.

Full release of water facilities for service will not be granted by the Palm Beach County Health Department until any accompanying wastewater system has been certified by the engineer-of-record and released; or in the case of septic tanks, an approval for installation. To request a release of the wastewater system, the following material must be submitted:

1. Completed DEP Form 62-604.300(8)(b) for Domestic Wastewater Collection/Transmission Systems Certificate of Completion of Construction.
2. One (1) set of record drawings.

Use of construction meters for construction water may be approved by the PBCHD in cases where accompanying wastewater system has not been certified if the department determines the water facility has been satisfactorily tested and certified as described above. Upon receipt of the above, this agency will provide a letter of release for use to the utility provider with a copy to the engineer-of-record via e-mail and regular mail. The water utility is hereby advised not to issue water meters until such time that the new water mains are released for service by the Palm Beach County Health Department.