

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Bureau of Watershed Management
Division of Water Use Planning

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TITLE: METERING OF WITHDRAWALS UNDER ORDERS OF CONFIRMATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1988

AUTHORITY: Water Rights Act of June 24, 1939, P.L. 842, No. 365, as amended, 32 P.S., 631 *et seq.*

POLICY: Inasmuch as the Water and Power Resources Board imposed measuring and recording requirements upon orders of confirmation issued subsequent to February 13, 1947, the Department may modify existing orders of confirmation, issued prior to or subsequent to that date, to require measuring and recording of withdrawals to determine compliance with the order of confirmation.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is to provide a mechanism whereby the Department can monitor compliance with orders of confirmation issued under the Water Rights Act.

APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all orders of confirmation issued to a public water supply agency for direct withdrawal of surface waters.

DISCLAIMER: The policies and procedures outlined in this guidance document are intended to supplement existing requirements. Nothing in the policies or procedures shall affect regulatory requirements.

The policies and procedures herein are not an adjudication or a regulation. There is no intent on the part of the Department to give these rules that weight or deference. This document establishes the framework, within which DEP will exercise its administrative discretion in the future. DEP reserves the discretion to deviate from this policy statement if circumstances warrant.

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TECHNICAL GUIDANCE:

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