

## **Section 015 Capacity Development For New Systems**

015 Scope. This section applies to all new community and new non-transient non-community public water supply systems; except for systems that were in existence prior to October 1, 1999, and do not expand their infrastructure, but expand by population only to become a public water supply.

015.01 Meet Technical, Managerial and Financial Capacity Requirements. New public water supply systems applying for a permit to operate the system after October 1, 1999, shall show, as part of their application, that the public water supply system will meet the minimum technical, managerial, and financial capacity requirements of this rule. No permit to operate the system will be issued until the requirements of this section and section 009, Permit for Operating a Public Water Supply System, are met.

015.02 Demonstration of Technical, Financial, and Managerial Capacity of Public Water Supply Systems

015.02A Minimum technical capacity requirements shall include the following:

015.02A1 Conformance to the requirements stated in section 007, Siting, Design, and Construction of Public Water Supply Systems;

015.02A2 Certified water operator(s) as required in section 010, Operator Certification;

015.02A3 A current water system map; and

015.02A4 Installation of a service meter on each service connection.

015.03 Minimum financial capacity shall include the following:

015.03A Documentation that organization and financial arrangements are in place to construct and operate the public water system in accordance with these rules. This information can be provided by submitting estimated construction, operation, and maintenance costs; and

015.03B Presentation of a proposed water rate or revenue structure sufficient to cover operating, maintenance and capital costs. A preliminary operating budget and capital budget shall be provided.

015.04 Minimum managerial capacity shall include the following:

015.04A Provision of a clear statement of legal ownership and any plans that may exist for transfer of that ownership on completion of construction or after a period of operation;

015.04B The name, address, and telephone number of the person(s), other than the water system operator(s), designated and authorized to respond to issues of the water system's compliance with these rules;

015.04C The name, address, and telephone number of the system operator(s);

015.04D A description of the staffing and chain of command shall be provided to include the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) responsible for the system's interaction with customers, regulators, and other entities such as technical assistance providers and financial assistance providers, as appropriate.