

SELF-CERTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

Offeror shall complete this self-certification and acknowledgement form which will certify their understanding of the requirement and their technical approach to meeting the requirements of the PWS.

Note: Answer “Yes” or “No” next to each description item.

Description	(Yes/No)
I shall provide trained qualified personnel with formal education or professional credentials to collect samples in accordance with CDC “Procedures for Recovery of Legionella in the Environment” and VHA Directive 1061.	
I am not a manufacturer, purveyor or vendor of water treatment chemicals, materials or equipment.	
I shall conduct analysis or interpretation of sampling results from a laboratory that holds current and valid certification from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Environmental Legionella Isolation Techniques Evaluation (ELITE) using prescribed methodology in CDC “Procedures for Recovery of Legionella in the Environment” and VHA Directive 1061.	
I shall provide and produce in writing chain of custody and any special packaging or instructions for samples received and analyzed.	
I shall provide written narrative reports of the analytical sampling results, methodology and recommendations.	
The final report shall be signed by qualified personnel who has received formal education in (at least a Bachelor of Science degree) in microbiology, chemistry, biochemistry, environmental science and/or mechanical engineering with at a minimum of 5 years of recent work experience in legionella analytical sampling and reporting in healthcare setting (hospital/medical center) or VHA medical facility.	
I shall able to reach and return calls during regular business hours (7:30 – 5:00) and provide contact number for weekends and emergencies.	
I shall provide follow up sampling per the PWS/SOW.	
I shall utilize an EPA-approved DPD colorimeter field method to test level of residual biocide; utilizes digital electronic probe or equivalent for pH; utilize digital probe for water temperature. Ensure current calibration of equipment and be able to reflect on the report calibration dates and degree of accuracy.	
I shall deliver samples same-day to a certified Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Environmental Legionella Isolation Techniques Evaluation (ELITE) laboratory located in Southern California.	
I shall process samples using the CDC “Procedures for Recovery of Legionella in the Environment”.	
I shall use a CDC ELITE Laboratory for processing all samples and I have provided the name, address, and other contact information of the CDC Certified ELITE laboratory.	
I shall provide a minimum detection limit of 1 colony forming unit per milliliter (cfu/mL) for potable water samples.	
I have the ability and shall conduct air sampling or swabs or other analysis prescribed by the CDC “Procedures for Recovery of Legionella in the Environment” for further investigation of Legionella species and VHA Directive 1061.	