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MPU COVID-19 Response Plan

In the interest of safety for the public and our employees, Manitowoc Public Utilities is proactively taking steps to minimize exposure and spread of the coronavirus disease, and ensure continued safe operation of the electric and water systems.

To date, MPU has taken the following steps:

- Conducted weekly planning meetings to develop staffing and supply strategies to maintain core services.
- Made contact with vendors to assure adequate supply of critical materials and service.
- Exercised heightened awareness among employees with respect to personal hygiene and health self-checks.
- Discourage vendors and other outside visitors to utility facilities.
- Eliminated travel and meetings outside of the utility office.

Field crews are being asked to minimize contact with the public. We are presently calling customers with pre-scheduled appointments to reschedule to a later date, if necessary.

The COVID-19 virus is NOT present in the water supply. The EPA and World Health Organization have reported that “presence of the COVID-19 virus has not been detected in drinking-water supplies and based on current evidence the risk to water supplies is low.”

MPU will continue to monitor the rapidly changing conditions, and will work closely with the City of Manitowoc and Manitowoc County Emergency Management and Health Departments.

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