

# Drinking Water Quality Report 2014

# Glossary of terms

Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2011. Published by the National Health & Medical Research Council of Australia.
Victorian Department of Health
Escherichia coli, a bacterium which is considered to indicate the presence of faecal contamination and therefore, health risk.
Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points certification for protecting drinking water quality.
Milligrams per litre
Melbourne Water Corporation
Nephelometric Turbidity Units
Organisms per 100 millilitres
Upper confidence limit
'less than' symbol
'greater than' symbol

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### From our Managing Director

I am pleased to present City West Water's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2014. The report contains comprehensive information on the quality of drinking water that we supply throughout our service area, encompassing the inner and western suburbs of Melbourne and the central business district. It also describes how we collect, treat and distribute drinking water to our customers, with particular emphasis on the 12 month period between July 2013 and June 2014.

The provision of safe drinking water in Victoria is regulated under the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2003*, which sets drinking water quality standards, as well as public disclosure and reporting requirements. Management of water quality under the Act is overseen and assessed by Victoria's Department of Health. The information contained in this report serves to demonstrate how the quality of our drinking water meets the stringent standards set by the State Government.

An extensive drinking water quality monitoring program has continued to confirm the safety of the water we provide to customers. Throughout 2013-14, we collected and tested some 4000 water samples, almost all of which were obtained from the point of supply to customers' premises using special tap fittings adjacent to property water meters. I am pleased to report that the independent testing has demonstrated that the quality of our drinking water supply is consistently above the regulated quality standards.

In addition to continuing the supply of high quality drinking water to our customers, some of the highlights for 2013-14 include:

- retained certification of our HACCP plan for managing water quality;
- continued compliance of our Water Quality Risk Management Plan with requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act 2003;
- a record low level of water quality complaints (0.05 per 100 properties) from customers.

Reliably providing our customers with high quality, safe drinking water is the most important priority for City West Water. The range of protective measures we have in place contribute to ensuring that our endeavours remain successful in the future.

Anne Barker Managing Director



### 1. Introduction

City West Water is one of three metropolitan water retailers established under section 85(1A) of the *Water Act 1989* (Vic). Our Board of Directors is appointed by the Victorian Government and is responsible for setting and overseeing the implementation of the policies, objectives and strategies of the business. We provide drinking water, trade waste, recycled water, stormwater and sewerage services to approximately 403,000 residential and non residential customers in Melbourne's inner and western suburbs and central business district.

Melbourne Water provides City West Water with a bulk water supply and a waste water treatment service. Melbourne Water manages the water catchments and dams, as well as a network of large water mains that interconnect with our own water supply network. This interconnection means that risks associated with water supply are shared between the wholesaler (Melbourne Water) and retailer (City West Water). To manage these risks and to clearly assign the rights and obligations of both parties, we have a contractual arrangement (the Bulk Water Supply Agreement) with Melbourne Water, as well as cross business contingency plans and operational arrangements.

Our management of the water supply system and drinking water quality is given the highest priority to reflect public health considerations and community expectations, as well as continuing to provide one of the best drinking water qualities of any city in the world. Our management of the drinking water supply closely follows the risk management principles outlined in Victoria's Safe Drinking Water Act 2003. This commitment to safeguarding drinking water quality has continued to be independently recognised through consistent retention of our internationally recognised Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) certification.

### 1.1 Characterisation of the system

We distribute water to over 800,000 people and to businesses at some 403,000 properties. The water is distributed through an extensive network of over 4600 kilometres of water mains, 10 pumping stations, eight service reservoirs and tanks and four secondary chlorination plants. This network encompasses central and western Melbourne, including inner suburbs such as Fitzroy, Collingwood, Richmond and the central business district, to outer western suburbs as far west as Little River. The network is fully enclosed, protecting the water from possible contamination during its delivery to customers.

Figure 1.1 (overleaf) shows our 580 square kilometre service area. Contained within the service area are 15 water sampling localities based on sources of water supply and similar pressure.

#### 1.1.1 Source of water

The water supply originates from Melbourne's well established water supply catchment and reservoir system, which has provided the city with a reliable, high quality water supply for many years. This extensive system, managed by Melbourne Water, lies mainly to the east of Melbourne and extends as far as Thomson Reservoir, approximately 120 kilometres from our service area.

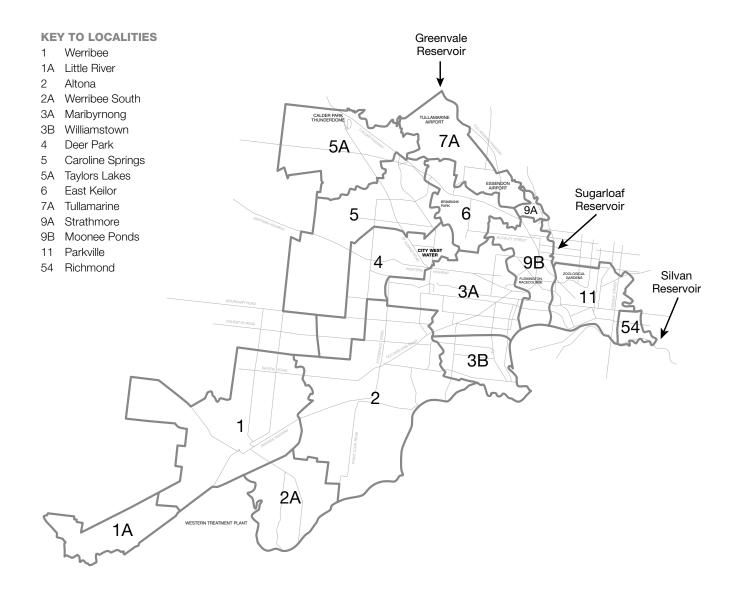
More specifically, water is supplied to City West Water from three major storages within the system. Two of the storages, Silvan Reservoir (near Mount Dandenong) and Sugarloaf Reservoir (near Yarra Glen), are east of Melbourne. The third, Greenvale Reservoir, is to the north, near Somerton. We have traditionally sourced, on average, about 40 per cent of our bulk supply from Silvan, 30 per cent from Greenvale and 30 per cent from Sugarloaf. However, with the decade of below average rainfall that began in the late 1990s and the need to rebalance storage levels, Sugarloaf Reservoir became the major source of water supplied to City West Water. As storages have trended back to historical levels, 2013-14 has seen a return towards our traditional source proportions.

	Supply source to City West Water (%)			
Period	Silvan	Greenvale	Sugarloaf	
Prior to drought impact	40	30	30	
2007-12	14	16	70	
2012-13	9	13	78	
2013-14	20	22	58	

The supply from Silvan Reservoir originates from protected, natural catchments (including the Thomson and Upper Yarra catchments) where activities such as industry, farming, urbanisation and tourism (which could pollute the water supply) are highly restricted. Greenvale Reservoir which does not have a catchment, receives its water supply from Silvan Reservoir. Long storage periods (ranging between months and years) in these pristine reservoirs enhance water quality. As a result, the only active water treatment process that is applied to this water is chlorination (gas) and pH correction with lime.

Sugarloaf Reservoir draws most of its water from the middle reaches of the Yarra River where the catchment is unprotected, containing urban areas, light industry and agricultural activities. A smaller proportion also comes from Maroondah Reservoir via the Maroondah Aqueduct. On average, the source waters pumped into Sugarloaf Reservoir are stored for months before being treated (via aluminium-based coagulation and flocculation, sand filtration, gas chlorination and pH correction with lime) at Melbourne Water's nearby Winneke water treatment plant.

Figure 1.1 City West Water's water district area showing its 15 water sampling localities and sources of bulk water supply.



Melbourne Water adds fluoride to all of City West Water's bulk water in line with requirements of the *Victorian Health (Fluoridation)*\*\*Act (1973). This is in the form of sodium fluorosilicate to the Silvan Reservoir supply and fluorosilicic acid at the Winneke water treatment plant.

The supply source(s) for each of our 15 water sampling localities are listed in Table 1.1

 Table 1.1
 2013-14 supply sources for our water sampling localities

Water sampling locality	Source water	Treatment plant	Population serviced (2011 census)
Altona	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	97,611
Caroline Springs	Yarra River; Maroondah and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Greenvale	87,947
Deer Park	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	53,687
East Keilor	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	38,063
Little River	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	625
Maribyrnong	Yarra River; Maroondah and Silvan Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan	101,272
Moonee Ponds	Yarra River; Maroondah and Silvan Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan	68,395
Parkville	Yarra River; Maroondah and Silvan Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan	111,305
Richmond	Yarra River; Maroondah and Silvan Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan	20,646
Strathmore	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	8,917
Taylors Lakes	Yarra River; Maroondah and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Greenvale	63,394
Tullamarine	Yarra River; Maroondah and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Greenvale	9,833
Werribee	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	124,833
Werribee South	Yarra River; Maroondah, Silvan and Greenvale Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan, Greenvale	807
Williamstown	Yarra River; Maroondah and Silvan Reservoirs	Winneke, Silvan	35,996

The quality of the bulk water supply is monitored by Melbourne Water before it enters City West Water's distribution system.

The overall water supply system and water delivery arrangements during the past year have continued unchanged from preceding years.

### 2. Water treatment and quality management system

### 2.1 Water treatment

The water quality treatment processes used for City West Water's source or bulk water supply are outlined in Section 1.1.1.

Notwithstanding Melbourne Water's source or bulk water disinfection by chlorination, additional secondary chlorination (using liquid sodium hypochlorite) is undertaken within our water district by:

- Melbourne Water, with four secondary chlorination plants servicing the water sampling localities of Werribee, Deer Park, Caroline Springs and Altona
- City West Water, with a further four secondary chlorination plants servicing the water sampling localities of Little River, Werribee South, East Keilor and Richmond.

In addition, the local water supply at Little River is dosed with gaseous carbon dioxide in order to assist with maintaining neutral pH levels.

### 2.2 Issues

No adverse issues took place with regard to water treatment during 2013-14.

### 3. Quality of drinking water for 2013-14

A significant part of our water supply activities is monitoring the quality of the water being supplied to customers. A day to day water monitoring program involves sampling and testing from many locations throughout the distribution network of 15 water sampling localities, including some 450 purpose built sampling fittings (referred to as 'customer taps') located at properties across our service area. In addition, Melbourne Water monitors the quality of bulk water supplies at points upstream of delivery points to City West Water. The results of all these tests are scrutinised under the Bulk Water Supply Agreement between the two corporations.

Between July 2013 and June 2014, we collected and tested approximately 3,000 microbiological and 900 physical/ chemical water samples from customer taps. This was undertaken under contract by a government approved, specialised and quality certified laboratory. The extent of this monitoring was based on requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005, as well as guidance of the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2011 (ADWG 2011), including locality population numbers for bacterial monitoring.

As well as guiding the design of monitoring programs, *ADWG 2011* provides a basis for assessing the quality of drinking water. Microbiological assessment is based principally on the bacterium *Escherichia coli (E. coli)*, which is considered to definitively indicate the presence of faecal contamination and, therefore, health risk.

Physical/chemical assessment and monitoring is based on a combination of parameters that indicate physical/aesthetic characteristics, such as pH, colour and turbidity (the clarity of the water), as well as the chemical quality of the water (i.e. levels of chlorine, iron, fluoride, dissolved salts, aluminium, copper and other heavy metals). Contact information for obtaining further details of all water quality testing outlined in this report is provided in the *Further information* section on page 29.

Since 1 July 2004, the management of drinking water in Victoria has been governed by the Safe Drinking Water Act 2003. Under this Act, Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005 specifies water quality standards for a number of water quality parameters. The standards are as follows:

Water quality parameter	Standard
Escherichia coli (E. coli)	at least 98% of samples collected in any 12 month period to contain no <i>E. coli</i> per 100mL
Chloroacetic acid	must not exceed 0.15 mg/L
Dichloroacetic acid	must not exceed 0.1 mg/L
Trichloroacetic acid	must not exceed 0.1 mg/L
Trihalomethanes	must not exceed 0.25 mg/L
Bromate	must not exceed 0.02 mg/L
Formaldehyde	must not exceed 0.5 mg/L
Aluminium (acid soluble)	must not exceed 0.2 mg/L
Turbidity	95 per cent upper confidence limit of mean of drinking water samples collected in the preceding 12 month period must not exceed 5.0 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU)

Further to monitoring water quality for compliance against these standards, we monitor additional parameters that provide a more comprehensive characterisation of the water, as well as assisting the needs of customers (e.g. industry, students and researchers). Detailed summary data for these parameters are provided in Appendices A and B.

The tables in sections 3.1 to 3.5 report the 2013-14 compliance of water quality standard parameters against the water quality standards specified in Victoria's *Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005*.

### 3.1 Escherichia coli (E. coli)

### 3.1.1 Results

**Table 3.1** *E. coli* summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	No. of samples	Sampling frequency	No. of samples containing <i>E. coli</i>	Max. result (orgs/100mL)	% Samples with no <i>E. coli</i>	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	300	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	275	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Deer Park (4)	184	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
East Keilor (6)	143	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Little River (1A)	65	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	352	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	220	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Parkville (11)	365	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Richmond (54)	104	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Strathmore (9A)	78	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	209	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	78	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Werribee (1)	379	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Werribee South (2A)	66	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Williamstown (3B)	144	>weekly	0	<1	100	yes
Total	2962	-	0	<1	100	yes

E. coli data demonstrate compliance with the standard (at least 98% samples with no E. coli) in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

Sampling frequencies in each locality exceeded that prescribed by the Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005 (i.e. one sample per week in each locality). This was done in order to meet the more intense surveillance of internationally recognised population based frequencies, as advocated in ADWG 2011.

### 3.1.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

With 100 per cent compliance, no actions were necessary.

### 3.2 Chlorine based disinfection by-product chemicals

### 3.2.1 Results

In order to facilitate laboratory sample collections, monitoring for chlorine based disinfection by-product chemicals is scheduled on the basis of four week intervals. This strategy also aims to assist in ensuring that no less than 12 monthly samples are obtained for testing from each locality, as per the *Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005*.

### **Chloroacetic acid**

**Table 3.2a** Chloroacetic acid summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	No. of non complying samples	Max. mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Deer Park (4)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
East Keilor (6)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Little River (1A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Parkville (11)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Richmond (54)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Strathmore (9A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Werribee (1)	monthly	14	0	<0.005	yes
Werribee South (2A)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Williamstown (3B)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Total	-	196	0	<0.005	yes

Chloroacetic acid data demonstrate compliance with the standard (0.15 mg/L) in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### Dichloroacetic acid

**Table 3.2b** Dichloroacetic acid summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	No. of non complying samples	Max. mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	monthly	13	0	<0.005	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	monthly	13	0	0.006	yes
Deer Park (4)	monthly	13	0	< 0.005	yes
East Keilor (6)	monthly	13	0	0.016	yes
Little River (1A)	monthly	13	0	0.005	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	monthly	13	0	0.005	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	monthly	13	0	0.006	yes
Parkville (11)	monthly	13	0	0.007	yes
Richmond (54)	monthly	13	0	0.006	yes
Strathmore (9A)	monthly	13	0	0.007	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	monthly	13	0	0.007	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	monthly	13	0	0.015	yes
Werribee (1)	monthly	14	0	<0.005	yes
Werribee South (2A)	monthly	13	0	0.007	yes
Williamstown (3B)	monthly	13	0	0.005	yes
Total	-	196	0	0.016	yes

Dichloroacetic acid data demonstrate compliance with the standard (0.1 mg/L) in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### **Trichloroacetic acid**

**Table 3.2c** Trichloroacetic acid summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	No. of non complying samples	Max. mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	monthly	13	0	0.025	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	monthly	13	0	0.016	yes
Deer Park (4)	monthly	13	0	0.014	yes
East Keilor (6)	monthly	13	0	0.025	yes
Little River (1A)	monthly	13	0	0.028	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	monthly	13	0	0.032	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	monthly	13	0	0.030	yes
Parkville (11)	monthly	13	0	0.035	yes
Richmond (54)	monthly	13	0	0.040	yes
Strathmore (9A)	monthly	13	0	0.033	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	monthly	13	0	0.017	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	monthly	13	0	0.023	yes
Werribee (1)	monthly	14	0	0.030	yes
Werribee South (2A)	monthly	13	0	0.030	yes
Williamstown (3B)	monthly	13	0	0.035	yes
Total	-	196	0	0.040	yes

Trichloroacetic acid data demonstrate compliance with the standard (0.1 mg/L) in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### **Total trihalomethanes**

**Table 3.2d** Trihalomethanes summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	No. of non complying samples	Max. mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	monthly	12	0	0.088	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	monthly	12	0	0.049	yes
Deer Park (4)	monthly	12	0	0.049	yes
East Keilor (6)	monthly	13	0	0.059	yes
Little River (1A)	monthly	13	0	0.089	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	monthly	12	0	0.100	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	monthly	13	0	0.081	yes
Parkville (11)	monthly	12	0	0.068	yes
Richmond (54)	monthly	13	0	0.100	yes
Strathmore (9A)	monthly	13	0	0.095	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	monthly	12	0	0.046	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	monthly	13	0	0.061	yes
Werribee (1)	monthly	13	0	0.085	yes
Werribee South (2A)	monthly	12	0	0.091	yes
Williamstown (3B)	monthly	12	0	0.081	yes
Total	-	187	0	0.100	yes

Total trihalomethanes data demonstrate compliance with the standard (0.25 mg/L) in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### 3.2.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

With 100 per cent compliance, no actions were necessary.

### 3.3 Ozone based disinfection by-product chemicals

### 3.3.1 Results

Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005 refers to two ozone based disinfection by-product chemicals - bromate and formaldehyde. However, these two chemicals were not monitored on a regular basis for compliance purposes as our water supply is not treated with ozone (refer Section 2.1). Nevertheless, an annual customer tap water sample from each of the 15 water sampling localities was tested during May/June 2013. All 15 results for both bromate and formaldehyde showed levels lower than the respective standards of 0.02 mg/L and 0.5 mg/L (refer Appendix A).

### 3.3.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

As all 15 results for both bromate and formaldehyde showed levels lower than the respective standards of 0.02 mg/L and 0.5 mg/L, no actions were necessary.

### 3.4 Aluminium

### 3.4.1 Results

In order to facilitate laboratory sampling schedules, monitoring for aluminium was generally undertaken on at least a fortnightly basis as part of a suite of other physical/chemical parameters such as pH, colour, iron and manganese. This also assisted in ensuring that no less than the 12 monthly samples were obtained, as per the *Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005*.

**Table 3.3** Aluminium (acid soluble) summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	No. of non complying samples	Max. mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	fortnightly	26	0	0.03	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	fortnightly	26	0	0.03	yes
Deer Park (4)	fortnightly	26	0	0.03	yes
East Keilor (6)	fortnightly	26	0	0.04	yes
Little River (1A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.08	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.04	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	fortnightly	26	0	0.05	yes
Parkville (11)	fortnightly	26	0	0.05	yes
Richmond (54)	fortnightly	26	0	0.05	yes
Strathmore (9A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.05	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.03	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.03	yes
Werribee (1)	fortnightly	27	0	0.03	yes
Werribee South (2A)	fortnightly	26	0	0.04	yes
Williamstown (3B)	fortnightly	26	0	0.04	yes
Total	-	391	0	0.08	yes

 $Acid \, soluble \, aluminium \, data \, demonstrate \, compliance \, with \, the \, standard \, (0.2 \, mg/L) \, in \, each \, of \, City \, West \, Water's \, 15 \, water \, sampling \, localities.$ 

### 3.4.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

With 100 per cent compliance, no actions were necessary.

### 3.5 Turbidity

### 3.5.1 Results

**Table 3.4** Turbidity summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency	No. of samples	Max. NTU	95% UCL of mean	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	weekly	53	1.1	0.5	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	weekly	53	1.3	0.9	yes
Deer Park (4)	weekly	53	1.0	0.7	yes
East Keilor (6)	weekly	52	1.0	0.7	yes
Little River (1A)	weekly	52	2.5	0.6	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	weekly	53	1.2	0.6	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	weekly	52	1.3	0.7	yes
Parkville (11)	weekly	53	1.0	0.5	yes
Richmond (54)	weekly	52	1.1	0.8	yes
Strathmore (9A)	weekly	52	1.5	0.8	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	weekly	53	1.6	1.1	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	weekly	52	1.4	0.7	yes
Werribee (1)	weekly	54	0.9	0.6	yes
Werribee South (2A)	weekly	53	1.8	0.6	yes
Williamstown (3B)	weekly	53	0.9	0.5	yes
Total	-	790	2.5	0.6	yes

Turbidity data demonstrate compliance with the standard in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### 3.5.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

With 100 per cent compliance against the standard, no remedial water quality actions were necessary.

### 3.6 Fluoride

### 3.6.1 Results

**Table 3.5** Fluoride summary results in drinking water samples obtained from customer taps tested between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Sampling frequency (minimum)	No. of samples	Max. mg/L	Min. mg/L	Average mg/L	Complying (yes / no)
Altona (2)	fortnightly	28	0.94	0.81	0.90	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	fortnightly	28	0.99	0.82	0.92	yes
Deer Park (4)	fortnightly	27	0.96	0.82	0.91	yes
East Keilor (6)	fortnightly	28	1.00	0.66	0.90	yes
Little River (1A)	fortnightly	28	1.10	0.77	0.90	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	fortnightly	27	0.97	0.81	0.91	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	fortnightly	28	0.98	0.72	0.91	yes
Parkville (11)	fortnightly	28	0.96	0.80	0.90	yes
Richmond (54)	fortnightly	28	0.98	0.84	0.92	yes
Strathmore (9A)	fortnightly	28	1.00	0.69	0.91	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	fortnightly	28	1.00	0.84	0.92	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	fortnightly	28	0.97	0.45	0.88	yes
Werribee (1)	fortnightly	29	0.95	0.82	0.90	yes
Werribee South (2A)	fortnightly	28	0.96	0.79	0.90	yes
Williamstown (3B)	fortnightly	27	0.93	0.79	0.89	yes
Total	-	440	1.10	0.45	0.90	yes

For fluoridated supplies, compliance means that all individual sample results are less than or equal to 1.5 mg/L and that the annual average does not exceed 1.0 mg/L. Fluoride data demonstrate compliance in each of City West Water's 15 water sampling localities.

### 3.6.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

With 100 per cent fluoride compliance, no remedial water quality actions were necessary.

# 3.7 Other algae, pathogen, chemical or substance not specified above that may pose a risk to human health

### 3.7.1 Results

In addition to the water quality parameters designated as standards by the *Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005*, we also monitor a range of other microbiological and chemical parameters that provide further information on the overall quality of our drinking water supply. Among such other parameters that were monitored in 2013-14, those that could potentially represent a health risk (if present above *ADWG 2011* health guideline levels) are listed in Table 3.6.

Table 3.6 Potential health risk water quality parameters monitored during 2013-14

Parameter	Frequency of testing	Results
Microbiological		
Vibrio spp.		
Shigella spp.		
Yersinia spp.		
Salmonella spp.		None detected
Campylobacter spp.		(therefore, consistent with ADWG 2011
Giardia spp.	3 to 4 samples per month (3 samples per locality per year)	which states that these parameters
Cryptosporidium spp.	(3 samples per locality per year)	should not be present in drinking
Adenovirus		water)
Hepatitis A virus Reovirus Enterovirus		
Rotavirus		
Chemical*		
Arsenic	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Cadmium	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Chromium	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Copper	annually per locality	within guideline
Cyanide	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Fluoride	fortnightly per locality	within guideline
Lead	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Manganese	fortnightly per locality	within guideline
Mercury	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)
Nitrate	annually per locality	within guideline
Sulphate	annually per locality	within guideline
Zinc	annually per locality	within guideline (not detected)

<sup>\*</sup>ADWG 2011 health-related guidelines are shown in Appendix A tables.

Further details of monitoring results for manganese, lead, copper and arsenic are contained in Table 3.7.

 Table 3.7
 Detailed monitoring results for manganese, lead, copper and arsenic during 2013-14

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Parameter	Sampling frequency	No. of samples	No. of non complying results*	Maximum (mg/L)	Complying* (yes / no)
Altona (2)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.005	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Caroline Springs (5)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.006	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Deer Park (4)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.006	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
East Keilor (6)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.007	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Little River (1A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.003	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Maribyrnong (3A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.007	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Moonee Ponds (9B)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.008	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Parkville (11)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.010	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Richmond (54)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.008	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes

 Table 3.7
 Detailed monitoring results for manganese, lead, copper and arsenic during 2013-14 (cont'd)

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Parameter	Sampling frequency	No. of samples	No. of non complying results*	Maximum (mg/L)	Complying* (yes / no)
Strathmore (9A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.007	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Taylors Lakes (5A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.005	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Tullamarine (7A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.007	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	< 0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Werribee (1)	Manganese	fortnightly	27	0	0.004	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	< 0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	< 0.01	yes
Werribee South (2A)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.004	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
Williamstown (3B)	Manganese	fortnightly	26	0	0.004	yes
	Lead	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Copper	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes
	Arsenic	annually	1	0	<0.01	yes

<sup>\*</sup> as defined in the health-related guideline values in ADWG 2011.

### 3.7.2 Actions in relation to non compliance

Since levels of all health related parameters tested satisfied *ADWG 2011* guideline values at customer taps sites, no related remedial water quality actions were necessary.

As our water supply distribution network is completely enclosed, any monitoring for organic industrial chemicals, pesticides and radioactivity focuses on locations upstream of this network. Melbourne Water tests for these substances with respect to its major storage reservoirs such as Silvan and Sugarloaf, where the potential for contamination is greater. Results of this monitoring are provided to City West Water. No significant detections (with respect to *ADWG 2011* guidelines) in the bulk water supply took place in 2013-14.

A comprehensive outline of our monitoring data for individual localities, together with monitoring frequencies, Victorian standards and *ADWG 2011* guidelines for both health related and aesthetic water quality data, is contained in Appendix A tables. Contact information for obtaining further details of all water quality testing outlined in this report is provided in the *Further Information* section on page 29.

### 3.8 Aesthetics

### 3.8.1 Results

Monitoring results for the aesthetic water quality parameters comprising pH, colour, hardness, alkalinity and iron are shown in Table 3.8. Note that our colour tests are undertaken as apparent colour while the *ADWG 2011* guideline of 15 platinum cobalt units (PCU) refers to true colour. Due to the omission of a filtering step in the test for apparent colour, the subsequent result values are at least equal to, but not less than, the equivalent true colour values. As a result, true colour compliance with respect to the *ADWG 2011* guideline is assured in all cases where apparent colour levels are within the guideline. Past investigations have shown that for Melbourne's water supply, an apparent colour level of 25 PCU is equivalent to a true colour level of 15 PCU.

 Table 3.8
 Detailed monitoring results for pH, apparent colour, hardness and iron during 2013-14

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Parameter	Sampling frequency	No. of samples	Max*	Min*	Average*
Altona (2)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.6	7.1	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	6	2	4
	hardness	annually	1	21	21	21
	alkalinity	annually	1	12	12	12
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.08	0.02	0.04
Caroline Springs (5)	рН	fortnightly	26	8.1	7.0	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	6	2	4
	hardness	annually	1	21	21	21
	alkalinity	annually	1	14	14	14
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.13	0.06	0.09
Deer Park (4)	рН	fortnightly	26	9.0	6.9	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	8	<2	4
	hardness	annually	1	23	23	23
	alkalinity	annually	1	14	14	14
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.10	<0.01	0.06
East Keilor (6)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.8	6.9	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	8	<2	3
	hardness	annually	1	19	19	19
	alkalinity	annually	1	13	13	13
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.11	0.01	0.06
Little River (1A)	рН	fortnightly	26	9.2	6.7	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	6	<2	3
	hardness	annually	1	31	31	31
	alkalinity	annually	1	22	22	22
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.08	0.04	0.06
Maribyrnong (3A)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.4	7.1	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	10	2	5
	hardness	annually	1	20	20	20
	alkalinity	annually	1	11	11	11
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.10	0.02	0.05

 Table 3.8
 Detailed monitoring results for pH, apparent colour, hardness and iron during 2013-14 (cont'd)

Water sampling locality (locality number)	Parameter	Sampling frequency	No. of samples	Max*	Min*	Average <sup>5</sup>
Moonee Ponds (9B)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.4	6.9	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	10	2	6
	hardness	annually	1	18	18	18
	alkalinity	annually	1	12	12	12
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.09	0.03	0.06
Parkville (11)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.4	7.0	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	8	2	4
	hardness	annually	1	21	21	21
	alkalinity	annually	1	10	10	10
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.09	0.02	0.04
Richmond (54)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.6	7.0	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	10	4	7
	hardness	annually	1	16	16	16
	alkalinity	annually	1	12	12	12
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.10	0.06	0.07
Strathmore (9A)	рН	fortnightly	26	8.0	7.0	7.4
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	12	<2	7
	hardness	annually	1	18	18	18
	alkalinity	annually	1	12	12	12
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.08	0.01	0.06
Taylors Lakes (5A)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.8	7.0	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	8	2	5
	hardness	annually	1	31	31	31
	alkalinity	annually	1	13	13	13
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.13	0.06	0.09
Tullamarine (7A)	рН	fortnightly	26	7.4	7.0	7.2
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	6	<2	3
	hardness	annually	1	24	24	24
	alkalinity	annually	1	13	13	13
	iron	fortnightly	26	0.13	<0.01	0.06
Werribee (1)	pH	fortnightly	27	9.2	7.1	7.7
	apparent colour	fortnightly	27	6	2	4
	hardness	annually	1	21	21	21
	alkalinity	annually	1	12	12	12
\\\-\\\\-\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	iron	fortnightly	27	0.08	0.02	0.05
Werribee South (2A)	pH	fortnightly	26	8.3	7.4	7.7
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	4	<2	3
	hardness	annually	1	23	23	23
	alkalinity	annually	1	14	14	14
Milliamstown (2D)	iron	fortnightly	26	0.08	0.03	0.05
Williamstown (3B)	pH	fortnightly	26	7.7	7.0	7.3
	apparent colour	fortnightly	26	8	<2	4
	hardness	annually	1	13	23 13	23 13
	alkalinity iron	annually fortnightly	26	0.07	0.01	0.03

<sup>\*</sup> Units: pH (units); apparent colour (platinum cobalt units); hardness (mg/L as calcium carbonate); alkalinity (mg/L as calcium carbonate); iron (mg/L).

All 2013-14 water colour, hardness and iron monitoring data complied with the respective *ADWG 2011* guideline levels of 15 PCU, 200 mg/L and 0.3 mg/L. There is no guideline for alkalinity.

Of the 391 samples tested for pH, there were six instances where pH readings were not within the *ADWG 2011* guideline range of 6.5 to 8.5, in that they exceeded 8.5 (but not the tolerable upper value of 9.2). Such elevated pH occurs due to the presence of cement lined water mains, generally within more sparsely populated areas experiencing low water flows.

In association with water industry partners, we have investigated variations in pH throughout Melbourne's water supply system and their possible significance. A 1999-2000 Melbourne study concluded that widespread remedial treatment would be complex and would involve adding chemicals to Melbourne's water supply, with uncertain benefits. A joint water industry study by researchers at Melbourne's Alfred Hospital in 2000 concluded 'there was no indication of the health effects on skin for weakly buffered water, such as that found in Melbourne, over all pH ranges'. A 2003 joint study provided an updated review of the possible effects of elevated pH, weakly buffered (soft) drinking water on health, water supply assets and industrial processes. This study found that for such water there was:

 virtually an absence of published material indicating any adverse impact on human health, either from contact or ingestion;

- no apparent adverse impact on water industry assets;
- no evidence of deleterious effects on domestic appliances; and
- no apparent adverse impact on industrial users.

Nevertheless, we are continuing our practice of avoiding, where possible, the use of new water main materials that could impact upon water pH.

### 3.9 Analysis of results - trends

This section of the report examines:

- (a) trends over time of water quality parameters tested that are designated as standards by *Safe Drinking Water Regulations* 2005.
- (b) trends over time and between localities of parameters listed in Appendix A tables that have a corresponding Victorian standard or *ADWG 2011* guideline.

### 3.9.1 Historical compliance of standard parameters

Table 3.9 summarises trends over time (and extent of compliance) of water quality parameters designated as standards by *Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005*.

**Table 3.9** Compliance time trends of standard parameters

Parameter	Standard	Localities compliant (% of customers supplied with compliant water)						
	(2005 Regulations)	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-2011			
E. coli	<1 per 100mL in 98% of samples	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Chloroacetic acid	0.15 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Dichloroacetic acid	0.1 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Trichloroacetic acid	0.1 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Trihalomethanes	0.25 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Bromate	0.02 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Formaldehyde	0.5 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Aluminium	0.2 mg/L	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			
Turbidity	95% UCL of mean <= 5.0 NTU*	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)	15 / 15 (100%)			

<sup>\* 95%</sup> upper confidence level of mean not to exceed 5.0 NTU

### 3.9.2 Parameter trends over time and between localities

Parameter trends provide a three year overview of drinking water quality in our service area, in terms of trends over time and between localities. Parameters considered are those listed in Appendix A tables that have a corresponding Victorian standard or *ADWG 2011* guideline and have been monitored for at least the last two years. Graphical representations of trends are contained in Appendix B and briefly discussed below

### **E. coli** (refer Figure B.1 in Appendix B)

*E. coli* performance in our drinking water has consistently complied with the current Victorian standard (requiring "at least 98 per cent of samples collected in any 12 month period to contain no *E. coli* per 100mL") in all water sampling localities.

#### **Free chlorine** (refer Figure B.2 in Appendix B)

All of our drinking water supply is disinfected with chlorine. As a result, the more active form (free chlorine) is present in all water sampling localities, with levels well within the maximum *ADWG 2011* guideline of 5 mg/L. Nevertheless, average levels amongst individual localities can be markedly different; this being largely due to relative proximity to chlorine dosing points. For example, the Taylors Lakes and Tullamarine localities are situated close to primary chlorination at Greenvale Reservoir, while the Little River and Werribee South localities are served by secondary re-chlorination plants.

### Aluminium (refer Figure B.3 in Appendix B)

Overall aluminium levels in the water supply are low. Apparent variations at these levels are considered to be related to natural variations in the catchments rather than from artificial treatment dosing. For example, aluminium is only used in water treatment at the Winneke Treatment Plant, yet the water sampling localities more likely to receive water from this source (Moonee Ponds, Parkville, Altona, Werribee) do not exhibit higher aluminium levels as compared with other localities.

### Arsenic, cadmium, chromium, cyanide, lead, mercury, zinc

These substances have been monitored on an annual basis. As shown in the Appendix A tables, test results have consistently been either within guideline levels or below analytical detection limits.

### **Chloride** (refer Figure B.4 in Appendix B)

Chloride levels are quite low and relatively consistent amongst the water sampling localities.

### Colour (refer Figure B.5 in Appendix B)

ADWG 2011 refers to 'true colour' of water; however we have continued the historical practice of measuring the more conservative 'apparent colour', which gives higher readings. Nevertheless, our average apparent colour levels have been within the ADWG 2011 True Colour guideline of 15 PCU. Higher colour levels in the Richmond locality are associated with its traditional bulk supply source from Silvan Reservoir.

### **Copper** (refer Figure B.6 in Appendix B)

Copper levels in the water supply are low and consistently well within the *ADWG 2011* health and aesthetic guidelines.

### **Electrical conductivity (EC)** – (refer Figure B.7 in Appendix B)

We measure EC as a surrogate for total dissolved solids (TDS). ADWG 2011 advises that its TDS guideline level of 600 mg/L can be substituted by an EC level of approximately 900  $\mu$ s/cm. EC levels are quite low and relatively consistent within each water sampling locality. A relatively consistent decrease in EC in the last year or so is a reflection of increased supply of sources of water other than Sugarloaf/Winneke.

#### Fluoride (refer Figure B.8 in Appendix B)

Fluoride levels in the water supply are the result of fluoridation of the bulk supply. Dosing is controlled such that levels are generally maintained between approximately 0.9 and 1.0 mg/L.

### Hardness (refer Figure B.9 in Appendix B)

Water hardness levels are quite low and relatively consistent within each water quality locality.

#### **Iron** (refer Figure B.10 in Appendix B)

Overall, slightly higher iron levels in the Caroline Springs, Taylors Lakes, Tullamarine and Richmond water quality localities are consistent with their source water comprising more of the relatively greater iron containing water from Silvan and Greenvale reservoirs. In contrast with decreases in EC in the last year or so, corresponding higher iron levels also reflect increased supply of sources of water other than Sugarloaf/Winneke.

### Manganese (refer Figure B.11 in Appendix B)

Manganese levels in the water supply are low and consistently well within the guidelines.

### Nitrate (refer Figure B.12 in Appendix B)

Nitrate levels in the water supply are low and consistently well within the guidelines.

#### **pH** (refer Figure B.13 in Appendix B)

Average pH levels in all localities are between 7 and 8.

### **Sodium** (refer Figure B.14 in Appendix B)

Sodium levels are quite low and relatively consistent among the water sampling localities.

### Turbidity (refer Figure B.15 in Appendix B)

Overall turbidity levels in all localities continue to be less than 1.5 NTU. Variations between individual water sampling localities are a reflection of their source waters. For example, localities with lower turbidity tend to be supplied more from Sugarloaf/Winneke, while higher turbidity localities tend to be supplied more from Silvan and Greenvale reservoirs.

### **Sulphate** (refer Figure B.16 in Appendix B)

Sulphate levels are quite low and relatively consistent within each water quality locality. Lower sulphate (as well as sodium, hardness, conductivity and chloride – as per earlier Figures) levels in Caroline Springs, Richmond and Taylors Lakes localities are a reflection of the Silvan reservoir source. At the same time, higher turbidity, iron and colour in these localities also reflects Silvan as the source of the water.

### **Total trihalomethanes** – (refer Figure B.17 in Appendix B)

Total trihalomethanes concentrations are relatively low (in comparison with the Victorian standard) and consistent among water sampling localities. Highest levels in Little River and Richmond reflect their remoteness from primary chlorination.

#### Chloroacetic acids

The readings in the water supply are low and consistently well within the Victorian standards (refer Section 3.2.1).

### 4. Emergency and incident management

This section outlines events involving actual or potential adverse changes in water supply quality during 2013-14, including those that were reported to Victoria's Department of Health in line with Section 22 of the *Safe Drinking Water Act* 2003

Despite full compliance with the *E. coli* standard at customer tap supplies throughout 2013-14, non-routine testing of ad hoc water samples resulted in three instances of *E. coli* detection. These were as follows:

- one detection (five organisms per 100mL) in a non-routine sample in Parkville locality on 6 March 2014. The detection is considered to have been caused by the sample having been taken from a hydrant under non-aseptic conditions during commissioning of newly constructed water mains.
   Repeat sampling the next day from a nearby front garden tap confirmed the absence of *E. coli* in the water supply.
- one detection (eight organisms per 100mL) in a non-routine sample in Maribyrnong locality on 16 April 2014. The detection is considered to have been caused by the sample having been taken from a temporary house connection under non-aseptic conditions during commissioning of newly constructed water mains. Repeat sampling the next day from a nearby front garden tap confirmed the absence of *E. coli* in the water supply.

 one detection (two organisms per 100mL) in a non-routine sample in Werribee locality on 5 May 2014. The detection is considered to have been caused by the sample having been taken under non-aseptic conditions during commissioning of newly constructed water mains. Repeat sampling from nearby front garden taps confirmed the absence of *E. coli* in the water supply.

Each of these instances and follow-up actions were immediately reported to the Victorian Department of Health as Section 22 notifications, in line with our water quality Risk Management Plan.

## 5. Complaints relating to water quality

In 2013-14, City West Water received 180 complaints related to water supply quality. The various categories of complaints were distributed as shown in Table 5.1.

Table 5.1 Water quality related customer complaints received in 2013-14

Complaint category	Number of complaints	No. of complaints per 100 customers supplied*
Discoloured water	102	0.025
Alleged illness	0	<0.001
Air in water	6	0.002
Blue-green water	3	<0.001
Taste/odour	67	0.017
Other	2	<0.001

<sup>\*</sup> Number of customers (properties) at 30 June 2014 determined as 403,000.

The number of complaints did not exceed 10 per 100 customers in any of the 15 localities.

A historical comparison of water quality related complaints received over the last five years is contained in Table 5.2.

**Table 5.2** Water quality related customer complaints received over the last five years

Complaint			Number received		
category	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10
Discoloured water	102	204	159	155	230
Alleged illness	-	-	1	2	-
Air in water	6	10	5	7	10
Blue-green water	3	4	7	3	7
Taste/odour	67 (19 chlorine)*	49 (16 chlorine)*	92 (20 chlorine)*	51 (24 chlorine)*	69 (27 chlorine)*
Other	2 (blocked filter)	1 (staining)	3 (1 staining) (2 blocked filter)	2 (staining)	1 (staining)
Total	180	268	267	220	317
No. of properties	403,000	389,000	379,000	368,000	357,000
Complaints per 100 properties	0.045	0.069	0.070	0.060	0.089

<sup>\*</sup> Number of complaints received of chlorine taste or odour.

### **Complaints and responses**

We provide individual responses to water quality related complaints. These can range between verbal clarification of perceived issues, to onsite investigations and remedial action. In terms of the major complaint categories, our responses are as follows.

### Discoloured (e.g. brown) water

Discoloured water is generally caused by the suspension of accumulated natural sediments in water mains. This can be triggered by the opening or closing of valves and reinstatement of mains into service following repairs. Discoloured water can also result from older, rusting internal galvanised iron pipes. Calls to City West Water are assessed by trained staff and, where the discoloured water is deemed to be originating from the water main, targeted mains flushing is generally undertaken.

### Alleged illness

Complaints of water related illness are referred to our Water Quality Scientist for detailed discussion, analysis and investigation. Customers may be advised to seek medical advice.

#### White water (air in water)

White water (water with a cloudy appearance that clarifies within a few minutes) indicates the presence of tiny, harmless air bubbles. It tends to be associated with maintenance and repair works, when air can enter water pipes. As the aerated water is used by customers, its appearance returns to normal. In the past we often responded to customers' concerns with targeted mains flushing, however since the recent drought and water restrictions, greater emphasis is placed on better explaining the phenomenon and obtaining customer agreement to not flush water mains.

### Blue-green water

On a seemingly random basis, customers at a small number of properties report blue-green water (water that has a cloudy to blue-green appearance, possibly containing blue-green particles, and having an unpleasant bitter taste). This is caused by accelerated corrosion of customers' internal copper water pipes and appears to be restricted to cold water pipes.

Blue-green water must not be consumed (by drinking or in the preparation of food) because it can cause vomiting. The prolonged consumption of water containing elevated copper levels can have adverse health effects.

As blue-green water originates from a property's internal copper pipes, customers can manage the problem by flushing their tap with fresh mains water. This means running their tap until the water becomes clear.

In certain cases, corrosion of copper pipes can lead to perforation and leakage.

Neither the cause of, nor solution to this international and Australia wide copper corrosion phenomenon are known (apart from replacement of corroding pipes).

We assist customers experiencing copper pipe corrosion by testing copper levels in their water and providing advice on how to best manage the issue of blue-green water. If customers are experiencing blue-green water or have other water quality concerns, they are asked to call us on 132 642 for further information and advice.

#### Taste or odour

A change in taste or odour of tap water can occur occasionally and is generally apparent as a chlorine-like or earthy, musty sensation. Fluctuations in chlorine levels (and hence, the perception of chlorine taste or odour) occur from time to time, largely due to changed water demands and flow rates. Our response to customers reporting chlorine taste/odour involves providing an explanation, as well as considering changes to chlorine dosing.

Other tastes/odours can result when water flows are slower and during flow reversals in large pipes. In such cases the cause is identified and, where appropriate, a combination of targeted flushing and/or changes to flow regimes are implemented.

# **6.** Findings of the most recent risk management plan audit

Pursuant to the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2003*, we have a documented water quality Risk Management Plan which is subject to independent audit in terms of its content and implementation. Our plan was audited for the fourth time in March 2014 and again found to be compliant with all requirements. A copy of the audit certificate is in Appendix C.

Notwithstanding the plan's compliance with the Act, the audit identified several opportunities for improvement. An outline of these opportunities for improvement, together with actions to address these is contained in Appendix C.

Significant portions of the Risk Management Plan are based on our pre-existing HACCP plan which itself is audited internally on a quarterly basis, as well as annually by an external, independent auditor. The HACCP plan specifically addresses issues such as staff training and development, calibration of equipment and maintenance and inspections of assets. Each of these is examined during independent annual audits. The

HACCP system is highly regarded and well known in the food industry for protecting the welfare and safety of consumers. It is based on the identification and management of risks (to quality) at key points within a production or product delivery process.

The HACCP certification demonstrates that we attend to those parts of our network and operations that have an impact on water quality. Maintenance of HACCP certification requires continual vigilance and improvements to our water quality management operations. City West Water aims to continue meeting the HACCP requirements.

### 7. Undertakings under Section 30 of the Act

City West Water has not entered into any undertakings with the Department of Health, pursuant to section 30 of the Safe Drinking Water Act 2003.

8. Exemptions from water quality standards under Section 20 and conditions imposed under Section 21 of the Act

City West Water did not have any Section 20 or Section 21 exemptions in place.

9. Variation to aesthetic standards under Section 19 of the Act and conditions imposed under Section 21 of the Act

City West Water did not have any Section 19 variations.

### 10. Regulated water

Regulated water is water that is the subject of a declaration made by the Minister for Health concerning water that is not drinking water. We do not manage any water supplies that have been declared as 'regulated water'. In certain cases however, we do supply water from our water distribution mains to customers with privately owned off-takes. Such supplies are provided under a private agreement between City West Water and the customer. The agreement does not guarantee the pressure or quality of the supply downstream of the off-take point, albeit that we endeavour to maintain these. City West Water has embarked on a program to reduce the number of such private supplies.

### 11. Further Information

For further information on the details of this report or on general water quality matters can be obtained by contacting our Water Quality Scientist, Georges Ruta directly on (03) 9313 8388 or email george.ruta@citywestwater.com.au. Written enquiries can be addressed to Mr Georges Ruta, City West Water, Locked Bag 350, Sunshine, Victoria, 3020.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality

Water Sampling Locality		ltona		Local	ity No.	2			
For period	1	July 2013 to 30 J		Popu	lation (201	I1 Census)	97,611		
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value		centration or (all samples)		Sampling frequency		of Samples	Performance against standard /
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max		Total	Passing	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	590	>weekly	300	300	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	. N	<1	<1	220	>weekly	300	-	-
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	300	300	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.09	0.35	>weekly	300	300	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.17	0.45	>weekly	300	300	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	12	12	12	annually	1	-	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.01	0.03	0.03	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	5.8	5.8	5.8	annually	1	-	-
Chloride	mg/L	250	12	12	12	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	4	6	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	43	86	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.81	0.90	0.94	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	21	21	21	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.02	0.04	0.08	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.02	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N.	1.6	1.6	1.6	annually	1	-	-
Manganese		0.1	0.001	0.003	0.005	fortnightly	26	26	100%
	mg/L	0.001					1	1	100%
Mercury	mg/L		<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually			
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L ·.	50	1.15	1.15	1.15	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units ·.	6.5-8.5	7.1	7.3	7.6	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.1	7.3	7.6	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	1.0	1.0	1.0	annually	1	-	-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	5.2	5.2	5.2	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.4	7.4	7.4	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	5.8	5.8	5.8	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.011	0.011	0.011	annually	1	-	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	86	86	86	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.2	0.51	1.1	weekly	53	=	within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.004	0.005	monthly	12	=	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.010	0.012	0.014	monthly	12	-	_
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	12	=	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.030	0.043	0.069	monthly	12	-	_
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.047	0.059	0.086	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	< 0.005	0.016	0.025	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

#### Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity Ca	roline Springs		Local	ity No.		5		
For period	1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014						lation (201	l 1 Census)	87,947
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Conc	entration or (all samples) Mean <sup>G</sup>		Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples Passing	Performance against standard /
T . I DI . C (270C)	/ 1	1000*				. 11		9	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	430	>weekly	275	275	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	6	>weekly	275		
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	275	275	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	<0.01	0.20	0.65	>weekly	275	275	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.03	0.31	0.78	>weekly	275	275	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	14	14	14	annually	1	=	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.010	0.02	0.03	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	6.3	6.3	6.3	annually	1	-	-
Chloride	mg/L	250	10	10	10	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	4	6	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	36	72	85	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.82	0.92	0.99	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	21	21	21	annually	1	1	100%
· 3:		0.3	0.06	0.09			26	26	100%
Iron	mg/L				0.13	fortnightly		1	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1		100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.3	1.3	1.3	annually	1	-	-
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.001	0.003	0.006	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually 	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.58	0.58	0.58	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.3	8.1	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.3	8.1	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.8	0.8	0.8	annually	1	=	=
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.2	6.2	6.2	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	5.7	5.7	5.7	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	3.0	3.0	3.0	annually	1	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	Ν	0.006	0.006	0.006	annually	1	=	=
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	52	52	52	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.91	1.3	weekly	53	-	within standar
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.001	0.002	0.003	monthly	12	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.004	0.007	0.009	monthly	12	=	_
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	12	_	_
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.008	0.020	0.037	monthly	12	_	_
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.015	0.028	0.049	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.25	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid		0.13	<0.005	<0.005	0.006	monthly	13	13	100%
	mg/L								
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.008	0.016	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU).

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		Deer Park		Local	ity No.	4			
For period		1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014						I1 Census)	53,687
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Cond	centration or (all samples)  Mean <sup>G</sup>		Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples	Performance against standard /
				iviedi1-				Passing	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	73	>weekly	184	184	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL		<1	<1	63	>weekly	184	-	-
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	184	184	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.17	0.43	>weekly	184	184	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.27	0.54	>weekly	184	184	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	Ν	14	14	14	annually	1	-	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.01	0.02	0.03	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	6.4	6.4	6.4	annually	1	-	=
Chloride	mg/L	250	11	11	11	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	4	8	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	72	 87	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride		1.5							
	mg/L		0.82	0.91	0.96	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	23	23	23	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	<0.01	0.06	0.10	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.6	1.6	1.6	annually	1	-	=
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	<0.001	0.002	0.006	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.71	0.71	0.71	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	6.9	7.3	9.0	fortnightly	26	25	96.2%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	6.9	7.3	9.0	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.9	0.9	0.9	annually	1	=	=
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.2	6.2	6.2	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	6.9	6.9	6.9	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	3.7	3.7	3.7	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.008	0.008	0.008	annually	1	-	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	19	19	19	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.71	1.0	weekly	53	_	within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.002	0.004	0.010	monthly	12	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.002	0.010	0.015	monthly	12		
		N	<0.006	<0.010	<0.001				
Bromoform Chloroform	mg/L					monthly	12	=	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.010	0.021	0.034	monthly	12	- 12	1000/
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.026	0.035	0.049	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.008	0.014	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{G}}}$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Water quality data by locality (cont'd) **Appendix A** 

Water Sampling Loca	lity	East Keilor					Locality No.		
For period	1	1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014					Population (2011 Census)		
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Conc	entration or (all samples) Mean <sup>G</sup>	value Max	Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples Passing	Performance against standard / guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	150	>weekly	143	143	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL		<1	<1	7	>weekly	143	-	-
E. coli	orgs/100mL		<1	<1	<1	>weekly	143	143	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.33	1.00	>weekly	143	143	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.04	0.45	1.10	>weekly	143	143	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	13	13	13	annually	1	=	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	<0.01	0.02	0.04	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.9	4.9	4.9	annually	1	-	-
Chloride	mg/L	250	11	11	11	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium		0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
	mg/L	25**					-		
Colour	Pt/Co		<2	3	8	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	63	89	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.66	0.90	1.00	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	19	19	19	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.01	0.06	0.11	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.5	1.5	1.5	annually	1	=	=
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	< 0.001	0.002	0.007	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	< 0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.75	0.75	0.75	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	6.9	7.3	7.8	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	6.9	7.3	7.8	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.8	0.8	0.8	annually	1	-	-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.1	6.1	6.1	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	6.0	6.0	6.0	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	3.2	3.2	3.2	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	-	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	44	44	44	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.71	1.0	weekly	52		within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	0.004	0.008	monthly	13	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.005	0.008	0.011	monthly	13	=	-
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.003	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	13		
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.009	0.019	0.050	monthly	13		
Total Trihalomethanes		0.25		0.019	0.059	monthly	13		100%
	mg/L		0.022					13	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.016	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.008	0.025	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

\*\* Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$   $\,$  Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		Little River						Locality No.		
For period	1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014						Population (2011 Census)			
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Concentration or value (all samples)			Sampling frequency	No. of Samples		Performance against standard /	
		().27702011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max		Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	2	>weekly	65	65	100%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	3	>weekly	65	-	-	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	65	65	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.26	0.58	>weekly	65	65	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.04	0.36	0.72	>weekly	65	65	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	Ν	22	22	22	annually	1	-	=	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	< 0.01	0.02	0.08	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.0002	<0.0002	<0.0002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	12.0	12.0	12.0	annually	1	-	-	
Chloride	mg/L	250	13	13	13	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	3	6	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	89	109	140	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.77	0.90	1.10	fortnightly	28	28	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	31	31	31	annually	1	1	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.04	0.06	0.08	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.00	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	0.4	0.4	0.4	annually	1	-	-	
Manganese		0.1	0.001	0.002	0.003	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.002	<0.003	annually	1	1	100%	
Mercury	mg/L						1	1		
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.84	0.84	0.84	annually			100%	
pH	units ·.	6.5-8.5	6.7	7.2	9.2	fortnightly	26	24	92.3%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	6.7	7.2	9.2	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.9	0.9	0.9	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.2	6.2	6.2	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.4	7.4	7.4	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	4.5	4.5	4.5	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.010	0.010	0.010	annually	1	-	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	49	49	49	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.3	0.61	2.5	weekly	52	-	within standard	
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.005	0.008	monthly	13	-	=	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.012	0.015	0.019	monthly	13	-	-	
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	0.001	monthly	13	=	-	
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.033	0.050	0.070	monthly	13	-	-	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.054	0.070	0.089	monthly	13	13	100%	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	< 0.005	0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.018	0.028	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli*/100mL.

 $<sup>{\</sup>sf G}\ \,$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$   $\,$  Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

### Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		aribyrnong		Local	ity No.	3A			
For period	1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014					Popu	Population (2011 Census)		
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value	Concentration or value (all samples)			Sampling frequency	No. of Samples		Performance against standard /
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	equeey	Total	Passing	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	220	>weekly	351	351	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	200	>weekly	352	-	-
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	352	352	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.11	0.56	>weekly	352	352	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.02	0.21	0.67	>weekly	352	352	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	11	11	11	annually	1	-	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.04	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	5.2	5.2	5.2	annually	1	-	-
Chloride	mg/L	250	9	9	9	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	5	10	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	60	80	100	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
		0.08	0.008	0.008	0.008		1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	1.5				annually			
Fluoride	mg/L		0.81	0.91	0.97	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	20	20	20	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.02	0.05	0.10	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium 	mg/L	N	1.6	1.6	1.6	annually	1		-
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.002	0.004	0.007	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.75	0.75	0.75	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.1	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.1	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.8	0.8	0.8	annually	1	=	-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.8	6.8	6.8	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	6.0	6.0	6.0	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	3.3	3.3	3.3	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	=	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.016	0.016	0.016	annually	1	-	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	59	59	59	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.2	0.61	1.2	weekly	53	=	within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	0.003	0.005	monthly	12	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.009	0.010	0.012	monthly	12	-	=
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	12	-	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.030	0.050	0.089	monthly	12	-	-
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.045	0.064	0.100	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.13	<0.005	<0.005	0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.007	0.019	0.032	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli*/100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$   $\,$  Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		Moonee Ponds						Locality No.		
For period	1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014						lation (20°	68,395		
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Concentration or value (all samples)  Min Mean <sup>G</sup> Max			Sampling frequency	No. of Samples		Performance against standard /	
				Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max		Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	95	>weekly	218	218	100%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	200	>weekly	220	-	-	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	220	220	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.09	0.40	>weekly	220	220	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.18	0.55	>weekly	220	220	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	12	12	12	annually	1	-	-	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.01	0.03	0.05	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.7	4.7	4.7	annually	1	-	-	
Chloride	mg/L	250	9	9	9	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	6	10	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	58	70	85	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.72	0.91	0.98	fortnightly	28	28	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	18	18	18	annually	1	1	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.03	0.06	0.09	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.03	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N.	1.5	1.5	1.5	annually	1		10070	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.002	0.005	0.008	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
		0.001			< 0.008		1	1	100%	
Mercury	mg/L		<0.001	<0.001		annually				
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L ·.	50	0.89	0.89	0.89	annually	1	1	100%	
рН	units 	6.5-8.5	6.9	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	6.9	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.8	0.8	0.8	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.0	6.0	6.0	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	5.7	5.7	5.7	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	3.3	3.3	3.3	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.012	0.012	0.012	annually	1	-	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	76	76	76	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.2	0.71	1.3	weekly	52	=	within standard	
Zinc	mg/L	3	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	< 0.001	0.002	0.003	monthly	13	-	-	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.008	0.010	0.013	monthly	13	-	-	
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	< 0.001	monthly	13	-	-	
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.041	0.057	0.072	monthly	13	=	-	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.054	0.068	0.081	monthly	13	13	100%	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	< 0.005	<0.005	0.006	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.013	0.021	0.030	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$   $\,$  Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity Pa	rkville				Local	ity No.		11
For period	1.	July 2013 to 30	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	1 Census)	111,305
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)		entration or (all samples) Mean <sup>G</sup>		Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples Passing	Performance against standard / guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orac/ml	1000*	<1	<1	88	>weekly	365	365	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/mL orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	6	>weekly	365	- 303	100%
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	 <1	>weekly	365	365	within standard
E. COII	OIGS/ TOUTIL	90%(\1	<1	<1	<1	>WEEKIY	303	303	(actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	< 0.01	0.19	0.64	>weekly	365	365	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.03	0.30	0.75	>weekly	365	365	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	10	10	10	annually	1	=	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.05	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	5.4	5.4	5.4	annually	1	-	=
Chloride	mg/L	250	13	13	13	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	4	8	fortnightly	26	26	96.3%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	32	89	110	fortnightly	26	26	100%
		1	0.01	0.01	0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Copper	mg/L								
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.80	0.90	0.96	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	21	21	21	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.02	0.04	0.09	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.7	1.7	1.7	annually	1	-	-
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.002	0.004	0.010	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	1.02	1.02	1.02	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	1.0	1.0	1.0	annually	1		-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	4.9	4.9	4.9	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.3	7.3	7.3	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	6.4	6.4	6.4	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1		-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.013	0.013	0.013	annually	1	-	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	56	56	56	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.51	1.0	weekly	53	-	within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.001	0.004	0.007	monthly	12	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.001	0.004	0.007	monthly	12	-	
Bromoform		N	<0.009	<0.001	0.013	monthly	12		
	mg/L								•
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.019	0.037	0.051	monthly	12	10	1000/
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.040	0.054	0.068	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.007	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.021	0.035	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

\*\* Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$   $\,$  Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity R	ichmond				Local	ity No.		54	
For period	1	July 2013 to 30 J	lune 2014			Popu	lation (20	11 Census)	20,646	
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value	Concentration or value (all samples)			Sampling frequency		of Samples	Performance against standard /	
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max		Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	13	>weekly	104	104	100%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	200	>weekly	104	-	-	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	104	104	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.08	0.41	>weekly	104	104	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.03	0.17	0.51	>weekly	104	104	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	12	12	12	annually	1	-	-	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.05	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.1	4.1	4.1	annually	1	-	=	
Chloride	mg/L	250	8	8	8	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	4	7	10	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	58	62	65	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Copper	mg/L	1	0.01	0.01	0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.84	0.92	0.98	fortnightly	28	28	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	16	16	16	annually	1	1	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.06	0.07	0.10	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.3	1.3	1.3	annually	1		-	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.004	0.005	0.008	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.003	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%	
		50	0.53	0.53	0.53		1	1	100%	
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L					annually				
pH	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.3	7.6	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
pH	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.3	7.6	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.7	0.7	0.7	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.0	6.0	6.0	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	4.6	4.6	4.6	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	1.5	1.5	1.5	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.013	0.013	0.013	annually	1	-	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	28	28	28	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.4	0.81	1.1	weekly	52	-	within standard	
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	0.001	monthly	13	-	-	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.008	0.010	0.011	monthly	13	-	=	
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	13	-	=	
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.055	0.073	0.088	monthly	13	=	=	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.064	0.084	0.100	monthly	13	13	100%	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.006	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.020	0.032	0.040	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{G}}}$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

# Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity St	rathmore		Local	ity No.		9A		
For period	1,	July 2013 to 30	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	1 Census)	8,917
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value		entration or (all samples)	value	Sampling frequency	No. c	f Samples	Performance against standard /
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	. 1 ,	Total	Passing	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	1	79	>weekly	78	78	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	16	>weekly	78	-	-
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	78	78	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.06	0.29	>weekly	78	78	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.05	0.14	0.41	>weekly	78	78	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	Ν	12	12	12	annually	1	=	=
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.05	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.8	4.8	4.8	annually	1	=	
Chloride	mg/L	250	8	8	8	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	7	12	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	56	65	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.69	0.91	1.00	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	18	18	18	annually	1	1	100%
	mg/L	0.3	0.01	0.06	0.08	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Iron Lead		0.01	<0.01	<0.00	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
	mg/L	N.01	1.5	1.5	1.5		1		-
Magnesium	mg/L					annually			
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	<0.001	0.005	0.007	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.66	0.66	0.66	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.4	8.0	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.4	8.0	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.7	0.7	0.7	annually	1		-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.4	6.4	6.4	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	5.1	5.1	5.1	annually	1	1	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.014	0.014	0.014	annually	1	_	-
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	44	44	44	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.81	1.5	weekly	52	-	within standar
Zinc	mg/L	3	< 0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	< 0.001	0.001	0.008	monthly	13	=	_
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.007	0.009	0.012	monthly	13	-	=
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	< 0.001	monthly	13	-	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.011	0.063	0.083	monthly	13	-	-
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.032	0.074	0.095	monthly	13	13	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.007	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	< 0.005	0.025	0.033	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.003	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{G}}}$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		ylors Lakes				Local	ity No.		5A	
For period	1	July 2013 to 30 J	lune 2014			Popu	lation (20	11 Census)	63,394	
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value	Conc	entration or (all samples)	value	Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples	Performance against standard /	
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	, ,	Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	1300	>weekly	209	208	99.9%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	200	>weekly	209	-	=	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	209	209	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.02	0.39	0.89	>weekly	209	209	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.02	0.52	0.99	>weekly	209	209	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	13	13	13	annually	1	-	-	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.01	0.02	0.03	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.8	4.8	4.8	annually	1	=	=	
Chloride	mg/L	250	9	9	9	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	5	8	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	66	69	76	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
		1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01		1	1	100%	
Copper	mg/L					annually				
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.84	0.92	1.00	fortnightly	28	28	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	31	31	31	annually	1	1	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.06	0.09	0.13	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.5	1.5	1.5	annually	1	-	-	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.001	0.003	0.005	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%	
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.58	0.58	0.58	annually	1	1	100%	
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.2	7.8	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.2	7.8	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.8	0.8	0.8	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	6.5	6.5	6.5	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	5.4	5.4	5.4	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	1.8	1.8	1.8	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	3.0	3.0	3.0	annually	1	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.008	0.008	0.008	annually	1	=	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	42	42	42	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.4	1.11	1.6	weekly	53	-	within standard	
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	0.001	0.002	monthly	12	-	-	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.005	0.002	monthly	12	-		
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.003	<0.003	<0.008	monthly	12			
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.007	0.018	0.035	monthly	12			
Total Trihalomethanes		0.25		0.018	0.035		12	12	100%	
	mg/L		0.012			monthly				
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.007	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.008	0.017	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	<0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli*/100mL.

 $<sup>{\</sup>sf G}\ \,$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

# Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity Tu	llamarine				Local	ity No.		7A	
For period	1.	July 2013 to 30	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	l 1 Census)	9,833	
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value	Conc	entration or (all samples)	value	Sampling frequency	No. c	of Samples	Performance against standard /	
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	equeey	Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	1000	>weekly	78	78	100%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	200	>weekly	78	-	-	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	78	78	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.36	0.92	>weekly	78	78	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.06	0.51	1.10	>weekly	78	78	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	Ν	13	13	13	annually	1	-	=	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.020	0.02	0.03	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	6.8	6.8	6.8	annually	1	-	-	
Chloride	mg/L	250	14	14	14	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	3	6	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	60	83	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Copper	mg/L	1	0.01	0.01	0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride		1.5					28	28	100%	
	mg/L		0.45	0.88	0.97	fortnightly		1		
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	24	24	24	annually	1		100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	<0.01	0.06	0.13	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.7	1.7	1.7	annually	1	-	-	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	<0.001	0.002	0.007	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%	
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	1.15	1.15	1.15	annually	1	11	100%	
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.2	7.4	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	1.0	1.0	1.0	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	4.9	4.9	4.9	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.2	7.2	7.2	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	5.9	5.9	5.9	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.006	0.006	0.006	annually	1	-	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	50	50	50	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	<0.1	0.71	1.4	weekly	52	-	within standar	
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	0.003	0.007	monthly	13		-	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.004	0.007	0.011	monthly	13	_		
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	13	_		
Chloroform		N	0.007	0.018	0.053	monthly	13	-		
	mg/L								100%	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.018	0.029	0.061	monthly	13	13		
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.005	0.015	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.007	0.023	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

<sup>#</sup> Victorian standard: 98% of samples must not contain any *E. coli/*100mL.

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{G}}}$  Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

Victorian standard: 95% upper confidence limit of mean (shown) less than or equal to 5 NTU.

Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity W	erribee				Local	ity No.		1 124,833
For period	1.	July 2013 to 30 J	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	1 Census)	
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Conc	entration or (all samples)		Sampling frequency	No. o	of Samples Passing	Performance against standard / guideline
T-+-  Dl-+- (270C)		1000*				ss alibi			
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	47	>weekly	379	379	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N 000/ +1#	<1	<1	78	>weekly	379	270	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	379	379	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.20	0.46	>weekly	379	379	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.04	0.29	0.57	>weekly	379	379	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	12	12	12	annually	1	-	-
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.02	0.03	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	5.8	5.8	5.8	annually	1	-	-
Chloride	mg/L	250	13	13	13	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	2	4	6	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	80	90	110	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	< 0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.82	0.90	0.95	fortnightly	29	29	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	21	21	21	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.02	0.05	0.08	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.6	1.6	1.6	annually	1		-
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	0.002	0.003	0.004	fortnightly	27	27	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.75	0.75	0.75	annually	1	1	100%
pH	units	6.5-8.5	7.1	7.7	9.2	fortnightly	27	25	92.3%
	units	6.5-9.2	7.1	7.7	9.2	fortnightly	27	27	100%
pH Potassium	mg/L	N	0.9	0.9	0.9	annually	1		10070
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )		80	5.5	5.5	5.5	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	6.9	6.9	6.9		1	1	100%
	mg/L					annually			
Sulphate Tatal Organia Carbon	mg/L	250	4.5	4.5	4.5	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1		
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.007	0.007	0.007	annually	1	- 1	1000/
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	54	54	54	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	51	0.3	0.61	0.9	weekly	54	-	within standard
Zinc	mg/L	3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.004	0.007	monthly	13	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.011	0.013	0.015	monthly	13	-	-
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	13	-	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.026	0.044	0.067	monthly	13	-	-
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.045	0.061	0.085	monthly	13	13	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	14	14	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	14	14	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.013	0.018	0.030	monthly	14	14	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%

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\*\* Guideline set for this parameter

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# Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Loca	lity We	erribee South			Local	ity No.		2A	
For period	1)	uly 2013 to 30	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	1 Census)	807
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value	Concentration or value (all samples)			Sampling frequency	No. c	f Samples	Performance against standard /
		(ADWG 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	requeries	Total	Passing	guideline
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	1	>weekly	66	66	100%
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	66	-	_
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	66	66	within standard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.04	0.32	0.76	>weekly	66	66	100%
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.14	0.44	0.97	>weekly	66	66	100%
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	14	14	14	annually	1	=	=
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.04	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%
Calcium	mg/L	N	6.7	6.7	6.7	annually	1	-	=
Chloride	mg/L	250	12	12	12	annually	1	1	100%
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	3	4	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	81	91	110	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.79	0.90	0.96	fortnightly	28	28	100%
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	23	23	23	annually	1	1	100%
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.03	0.05	0.08	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Lead		0.01	<0.03	<0.03	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
	mg/L	N.01	1.4	1.4	1.4		1		-
Magnesium	mg/L	0.1		0.002		annually			
Manganese	mg/L		0.001		0.004	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	annually	1	1	100%
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.84	0.84	0.84	annually	1	1	100%
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.4	7.7	8.3	fortnightly	26	26	100%
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.4	7.7	8.3	fortnightly	26	26	100%
Potassium	mg/L	N	0.9	0.9	0.9	annually	1		-
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	5.7	5.7	5.7	annually	1	1	100%
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.7	7.7	7.7	annually	1	11	100%
Sulphate	mg/L	250	4.7	4.7	4.7	annually	1	1	100%
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	-	_
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.010	0.010	0.010	annually	1	-	_
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	31	31	31	annually	1	1	100%
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.3	0.61	1.8	weekly	53	-	within standar
Zinc	mg/L	3	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.005	0.007	monthly	12	-	-
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.012	0.014	0.017	monthly	12	-	-
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	0.001	monthly	12	-	-
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.033	0.046	0.072	monthly	12	-	_
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.054	0.065	0.091	monthly	12	12	100%
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	< 0.005	<0.005	0.007	monthly	13	13	100%
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.013	0.019	0.030	monthly	13	13	100%
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%
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Appendix A Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Locality		/illiamstown				Local	ity No.		3B	
For period	1	July 2013 to 30	lune 2014			Popu	lation (201	1 Census)	35,996	
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)	Concentration or value (all samples)			Sampling frequency		f Samples	Performance against standard /	
		(71577 G 2011)	Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max		Total	Passing	guideline	
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	<1	41	>weekly	144	144	100%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	29	>weekly	144	-	=	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	<1	>weekly	144	144	within standard (actual 100%)	
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.01	0.17	0.47	>weekly	144	144	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	0.02	0.27	0.57	>weekly	144	144	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	13	13	13	annually	1	-		
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	0.02	0.03	0.04	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	annually	1	1	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	6.4	6.4	6.4	annually	1	-	-	
Chloride	mg/L	250	13	13	13	annually	1	1	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	4	8	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	73	89	120	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
,		1	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01		1	1	100%	
Copper	mg/L					annually				
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	annually	1	1	100%	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.79	0.89	0.93	fortnightly	27	27	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	23	23	23	annually	1	1	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	0.01	0.03	0.07	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	1.6	1.6	1.6	annually	11	-	-	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	<0.001	0.003	0.004	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	< 0.001	annually	1	1	100%	
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.84	0.84	0.84	annually	1	1	100%	
рН	units	6.5-8.5	7.0	7.3	7.7	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	7.0	7.3	7.7	fortnightly	26	26	100%	
Potassium	mg/L	N	1.0	1.0	1.0	annually	1	-	-	
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	4.7	4.7	4.7	annually	1	1	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	7.0	7.0	7.0	annually	1	1	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250	6.1	6.1	6.1	annually	1	1	100%	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.0	2.0	annually	1	_	_	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	0.006	0.006	0.006	annually	1	_	_	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	41	41	41	annually	1	1	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	5 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	0.51	0.9	weekly	53		within standar	
Zinc		3	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
	mg/L								-	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.004	0.006	monthly	12	-		
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.010	0.012	0.014	monthly	12	-	-	
Bromoform	mg/L	N	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	monthly	12	-	=	
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.029	0.041	0.064	monthly	12	-	-	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.050	0.058	0.081	monthly	12	12	100%	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	0.005	monthly	13	13	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	0.012	0.022	0.035	monthly	13	13	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	< 0.01	annually	1	1	100%	
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.5	< 0.1	<0.1	< 0.1	annually	1	1	100%	

<sup>\*</sup> Internal City West Water guideline.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Guideline set for "True Colour" (15 PCU) however "Apparent Colour" is measured (with a benchmark guideline of 25 PCU)

N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

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#### **Appendix A** Water quality data by locality (cont'd)

Water Sampling Localit	y ALL V	WATER SAMPLIN	IG LOCALIT	TES		Loca	lity No.		
For period	1 July	y 2013 to 30 Jur	ne 2014	Рорг	ulation (2011	Census)	823,331		
Parameter	Unit	Guideline Value (ADWG 2011)		entration or (all samples)			of Samples	Performan standard /	5
			Min	Mean <sup>G</sup>	Max	Total	Passing		
Total Plate Count (37°C)	orgs/mL	1000*	<1	1	1,300	2959	2958	99.9%	
Total Coliforms	orgs/100mL	N	<1	<1	220	2962	-	-	
E. coli	orgs/100mL	98%<1#	<1	<1	1	2962	2962		dard (actual 100%)
Free Chlorine	mg/L	5	<0.01	0.19	1.00	2962	2962	100%	
Total Chlorine	mg/L	5	<0.01	0.29	1.1	2962	2962	100%	
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	N	10	13	22	15	-	-	
Aluminium (acid soluble)	mg/L	0.2	<0.01	0.03	0.08	391	391	100%	
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	< 0.001	<0.01	<0.01	15	15	100%	
Cadmium	mg/L	0.002	< 0.0002	< 0.002	< 0.002	15	15	100%	
Calcium	mg/L	N	4.1	6.0	12.0	15	-	-	
Chloride	mg/L	250	8.0	11.0	14.0	15	15	100%	
Chromium	mg/L	0.05	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	15	15	100%	
Colour	Pt/Co	25**	<2	4	12	391	391	99.8%	
Conductivity	μS/cm	~900	32	82	140	391	391	100%	
Copper	mg/L	1	< 0.01	<0.01	0.01	15	15	100%	
Cyanide	mg/L	0.08	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.0080	15	15	100%	
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/L	N	8.8	9.8	13.5	26	=	-	
Fluoride	mg/L	1.5	0.45	0.90	1.1	440	440	100%	
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	200	16	21	31	15	15	100%	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	<0.01	0.06	0.13	391	391	100%	
Lead	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	15	15	100%	
Magnesium	mg/L	N	0.4	1.5	1.7	15	-	-	
Manganese	mg/L	0.1	<0.001	0.003	0.010	391	391	100%	
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	15	15	100%	
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	mg/L	50	0.53	0.81	1.2	15	15	100%	
pH	units	6.5-8.5	6.7	7.3	9.2	391	385	98.5%	
рН	units	6.5-9.2	6.7	7.3	9.2	391	391	100%	
		N.3-9.2	0.7	0.9	1.0	15	- 186	- 100%	
Potassium	mg/L								
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/L	80	4.7	5.8	6.8	15	15	100%	
Sodium	mg/L	180	4.6	6.4	7.7	15	15	100%	
Sulphate	mg/L	250 N	1.5	3.9	6.4	15	15	100%	
Temperature	°C	N	8.8	16.7	23.7	26	-	-	
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	N	2.0	2.1	3.0	15	-	-	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L	N	<0.005	0.010	0.016	15	-	-	
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	600	19	49	86	15	15	100%	
Turbidity	NTU	51	<0.1	0.61	2.5	790	-	within stan	dard
Zinc	mg/L	3	< 0.01	<0.01	<0.01	15	15	100%	
Dibromochloromethane	mg/L	N	<0.001	0.003	0.010	187	-	_	
Dichlorobromomethane	mg/L	N	0.003	0.010	0.019	187	-	-	
Bromoform	mg/L	N	< 0.001	<0.001	< 0.001	187	-	-	
Chloroform	mg/L	N	0.007	0.040	0.089	187	-	-	
Total Trihalomethanes	mg/L	0.25	0.012	0.054	0.100	187	187	100%	
Chloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.15	< 0.005	<0.005	< 0.005	196	196	100%	
Dichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	< 0.005	<0.005	0.016	196	196	100%	
Trichloroacetic acid	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	0.017	0.040	196	196	100%	
Bromate	mg/L	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	15	15	100%	

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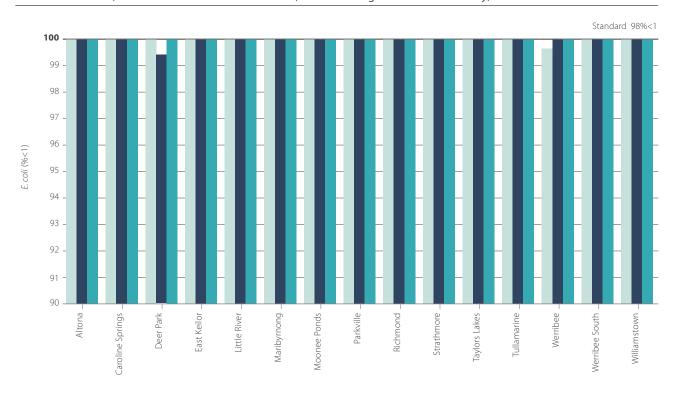
N No guideline/standard set for this parameter.

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G Geometric means shown for bacterial parameters.

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Figure B.1 E. coli performance in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)



**Figure B.2** Annual average free chlorine concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

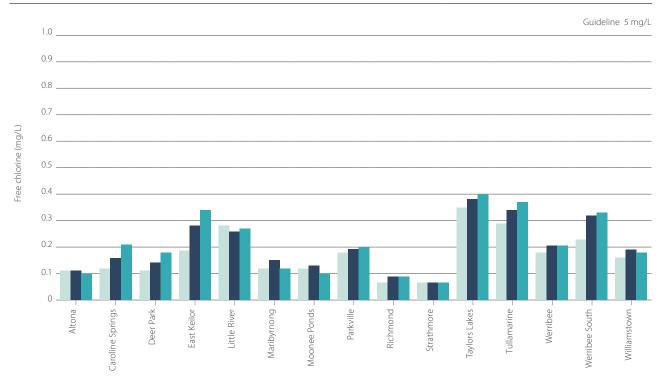


Figure B.3 Average aluminium concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

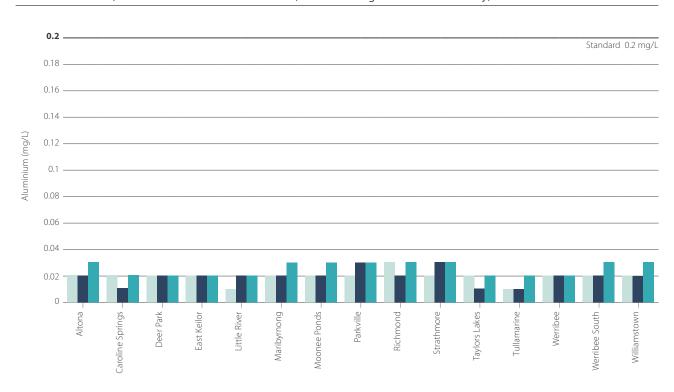


Figure B.4 Chloride concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

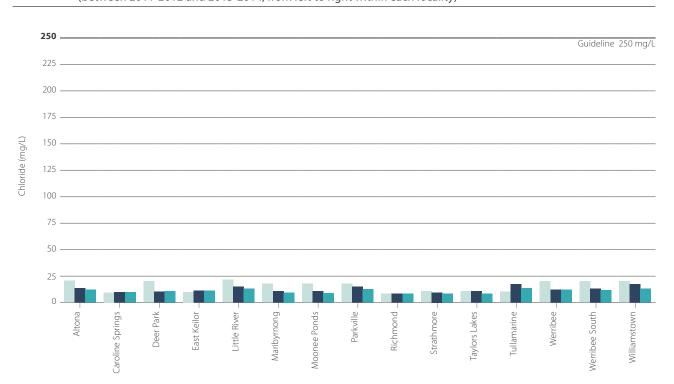
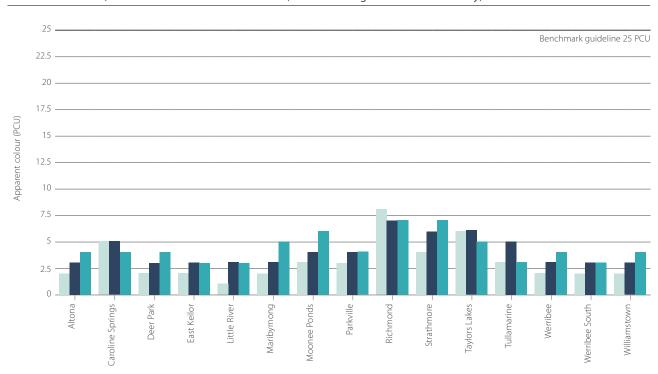


Figure B.5 Average apparent colour levels in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)



**Figure B.6** Copper concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

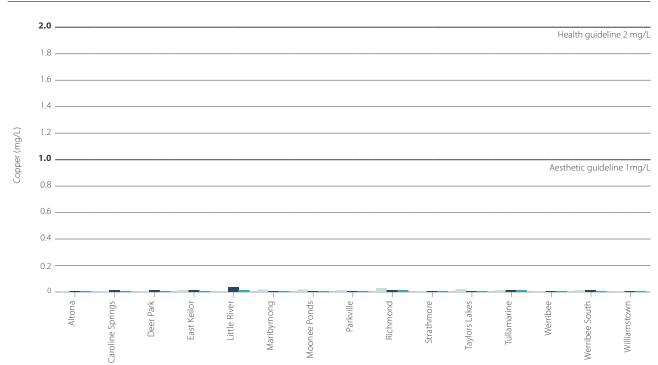


Figure B.7 Average electrical conductivity levels in water sampling localities (between 2011/2012 and 2013/2014, from left to right within each locality)

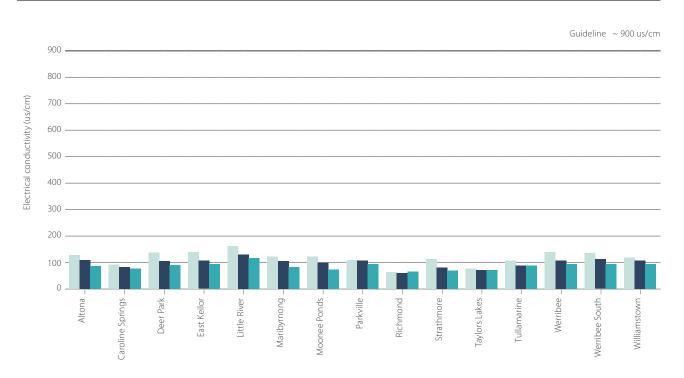


Figure B.8 Average fluoride concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

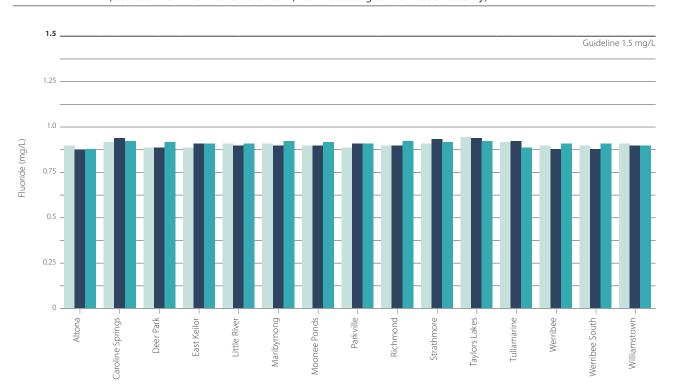


Figure B.9 Hardness concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

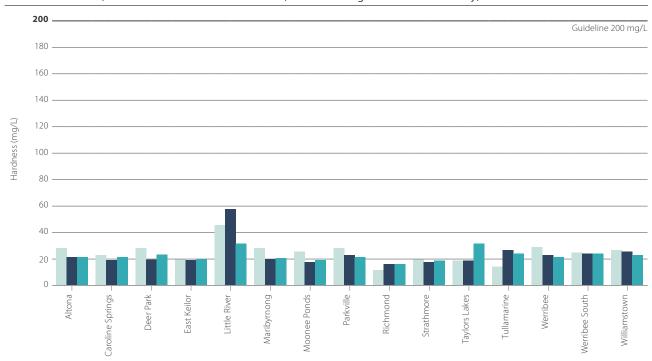


Figure B.10 Average iron concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

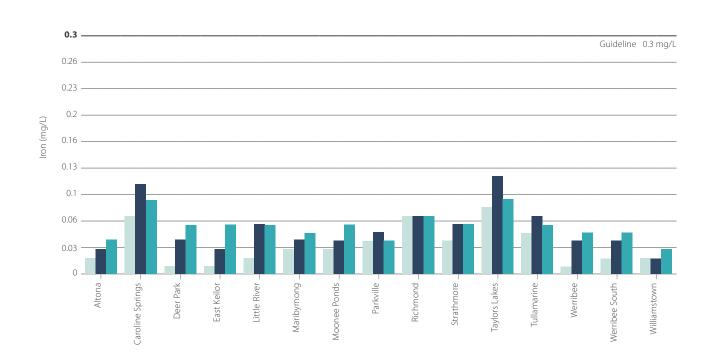


Figure B.11 Average manganese concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

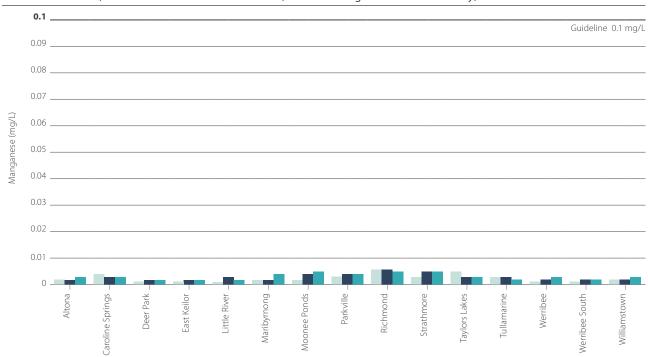


Figure B.12 Nitrate concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

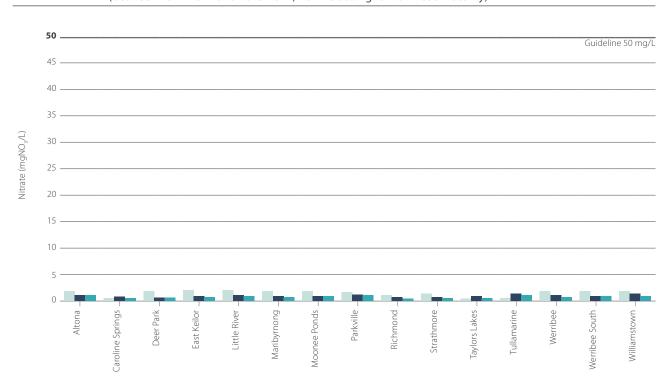


Figure B.13 Average pH values in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

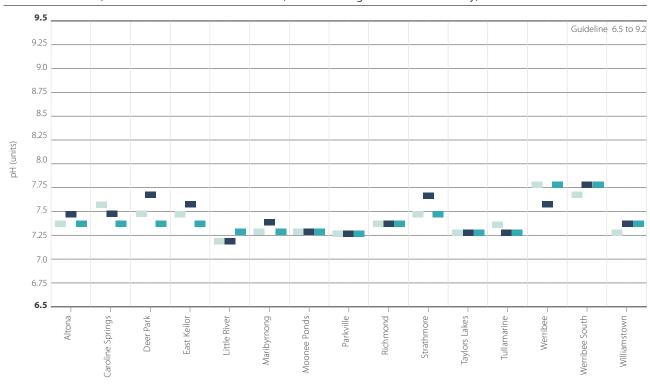


Figure B.14 Sodium concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

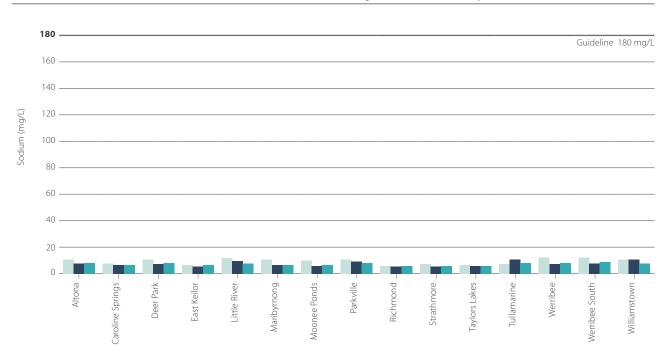


Figure B.15 Summary turbidity levels in water sampling zones (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

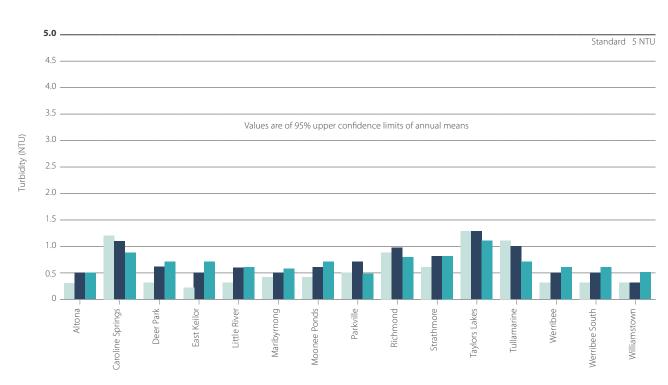


Figure B.16 Sulphate concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)

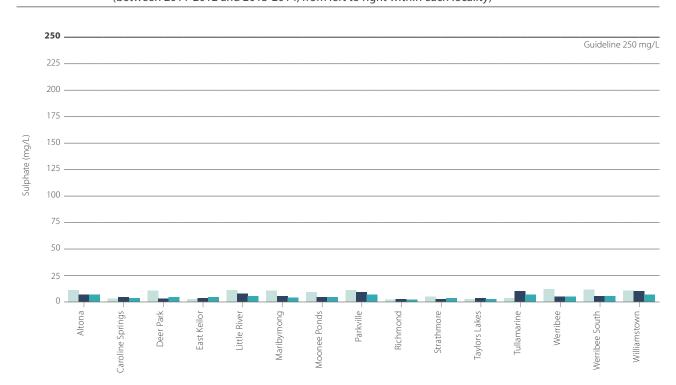
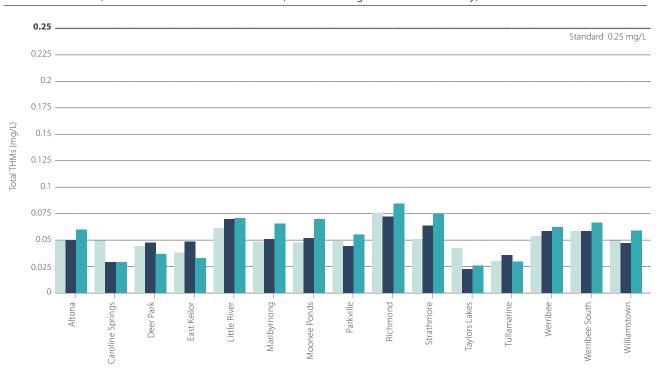


Figure B.17 Average total trihalomethane concentrations in water sampling localities (between 2011-2012 and 2013-2014, from left to right within each locality)



# Appendix C 2014 Risk Management Plan regulatory audit certificate and opportunities for improvement



Schedule 1

Regulation 8

Safe Drinking Water Regulations 2005

#### RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN AUDIT CERTIFICATE

Certificate Number: 109196

Audit Period: 11th April 2012 to 14th March 2014

To: Ms Anne Barker
Managing Director
City West Water Limited
Locked Bag 350
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Australian Business Number (ABN): 70 066 902 467

I, Tom Teunissen, after conducting a risk management plan audit of the water supplied by City West Water, am of the opinion that:

City West Water Werribee Disinfection Plant has complied with the obligations imposed by Section 7(1) of the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2003* during the audit period.

Signature of Approved Auditor:

Tom Teunissen

Date: 5th April 2014

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# Appendix C 2014 Risk Management Plan regulatory audit certificate and opportunities for improvement (cont'd)

City West Water: 2014 drinking water risk management plan audit: Opportunities for improvement

Suggested opportunity for Improvement	City West Water comments / response / actions
We would suggest consider a deputy being trained either, part time or full time as a second, to support the Water Quality Scientist.	City West Water has one official staff position that addresses water quality. The incumbent works closely with City West Water engineers and technical staff within the Network Operations department. This is leading to increased familiarity with the water quality position's functions. In addition, City West Water has a comprehensive training course on its management of water quality that is delivered to key operations staff. A part-time role as a second to the water quality position is currently being planned.
While it was encouraging though to note that the keys had been upgraded for the chlorine dosing installations. We suggest keys register is considered to ensure that all staff that may require access are provided with keys.	City West Water has a register and secure key depositary. Staff have been reminded to utilise these to obtain correct access keys when required.
During tank inspections photographs could be taken on the condition of the tanks this may for example be of assistance if a quote is needed and also confirming jobs have been completed satisfactorily.	Photographic records are made during tank inspections to demonstrate issues when remedial works are required. Follow-up photographs are taken to demonstrate completion of such works.
Also a potential opportunity for improvement is during periods of higher reservoir levels (higher rain fall periods) to consider restarting some mains cleaning.	Mains cleaning programs are generally undertaken in response to accumulations of sediments in water mains, as evidenced by customer feedback of discoloured water and routine water quality monitoring data. Current customer feedback numbers are at record low levels and water quality data do not show any issues. City West Water closely monitors these metrics and will undertake mains cleaning as required.



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