

## STEPS TO TAKE ONCE A BOIL WATER ADVISORY ORDER HAS BEEN LIFTED

After the **Boil Water Advisory** has lifted, the following measures should be taken before resuming operation:

- Flush water pipes by running each faucet with cold water for several minutes.
- Flush, clean and sanitize equipment with water connections in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- Dishmachines should be run while empty for one full cycle after water lines have been flushed.
- Run water softeners through a regeneration cycle.
- Replace and sanitize water filter cartridges according to manufacturer's instructions
- Drain reservoirs in tall buildings.
- Flush hot water tanks.
- Change out all filters.
- Flush beverage machines
- Flush drinking fountains: run continuously for five minutes.
- Flush ice machines by following the manufacturer's instructions, including:
  - Throw out any remaining ice
  - Flush the water line to the ice machine inlet.
  - Close the valve on the water line behind the ice machine and disconnect the water line from the ice machine inlet.
  - Open the valve, run five gallons of water through the valve and dispose of the water.
  - Close the valve.
  - Reconnect the water line the ice machine inlet.
  - Open the valve.
  - Flush the water lines to in the ice machine.
  - Turn on the machine.
  - Make ice for one hour and dispose of the ice.
  - Clean and sanitize all parts and surfaces that were in contact with any contaminated water and ice following the manufacturer's instructions.

\* Adhere to any additional guidance provided by regulating authorities

\* Remember to work on an Emergency Operations Plan to be submitted for review and approval to assist your facility in the event of another event requiring the implementation of approved emergency measures.

*The above measures were adapted from advisories and guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control, the Lake Cumberland District Health Department (Kentucky), the Massachusetts Public Health, and the Georgia Department of Public Health.*