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At the Reading Area Water Authority, the health and safety of our customers, communities and employees is our top priority. RAWA provides an essential service that it is critically important to your homes and businesses and the overall health of our community.

Reading Area Water Authority is monitoring situational updates provided by the local, state and federal organizations regarding the recent Coronavirus emergency. We will adopt and amend safety, health and security measures, as necessary, to support our customers and communities we serve and our employees.

It is important for you to know that our drinking water treatment barriers provide protection that includes filtration and disinfection of our water supply which are effective in removing and/or inactivating viruses. Our water meets or exceeds all current federal and state drinking water requirements. The production and distribution of our water will play an important role in containing the virus.

In an effort to keep our customers safe during the coronavirus pandemic, RAWA has discontinued the process of service shut offs at this time. We will evaluate this as the event unfolds. Additionally, **we will be making "free" potable water available via our water buffalo system as of Monday morning on the parking lot of our Administration Building located at 1800 Kutztown Road between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Our staff will monitor that equipment regularly to maintain a sanitary distribution point.**

Our top priority has always been the safety of our water supply and the health of our community.

For further information please contact us at 610-406-6300 or visit our Facebook page or website.

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