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July 8, 2020

DAVID BROWN
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Dear DAVID BROWN:

I would like to recognize the staff at the **City of Yakima Water Division's** drinking water treatment plant for their contribution to outstanding performance and treatment optimization.

The Office of Drinking Water began the Treatment Optimization Program (TOP) in 2001 in an effort to recognize and improve performance of rapid rate filtration surface water treatment facilities. The objective of this voluntary program is to maximize public health protection provided by surface water filtration plants like yours.

Over the past almost two decades, participants in the program have committed themselves to attaining treatment optimization goals for particle removal and disinfection that are more stringent than existing regulatory requirements. Because turbidity is a readily measured indicator of treatment performance for conventional and direct filtration plants, TOP tracks finished water turbidity data for all of these plants in Washington.

For the calendar years 2010-2019, your plant's finished water turbidity was **0.10 NTU** or less, at least 95 percent of the time, meeting TOP's turbidity goal. Achieving consistently high drinking water quality like this is the mark of a highly dedicated and skilled water department staff.

To receive this award, a plant must also meet other stringent criteria related to public health protection. Your plant is one of eight to receive an award this year. Please accept this **Gold Certificate of Achievement** (enclosed) and my congratulations for 10 years of outstanding performance.

Sincerely,

Mike Means
Director
Office of Drinking Water

Enclosure

Cc: [Jeff Bond]

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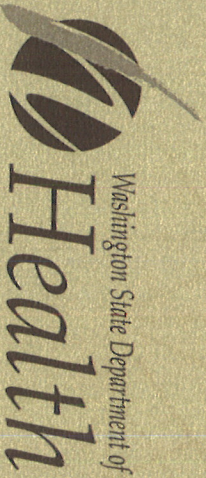
Treatment Optimization Program

Gold Certificate of Achievement

awarded in June 2020 to

*City of Yakima
Water Division*

for attaining the filtered water turbidity optimization goal of 0.10 NTU or less for ten continuous years, 2010—2019.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Means".

Mike Means, R.G., LHG, Director
Office of Drinking Water