# VALLEY WATER SYSTEMS 37 NORTHWEST DRIVE PLAINVILLE, CT

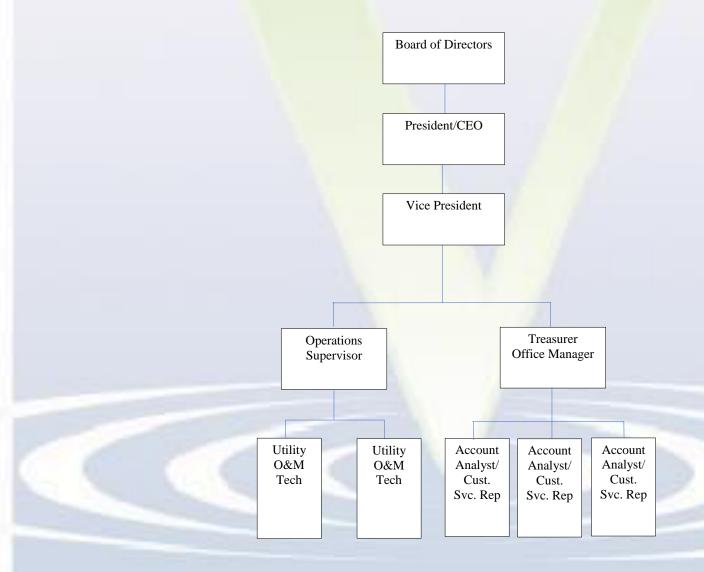
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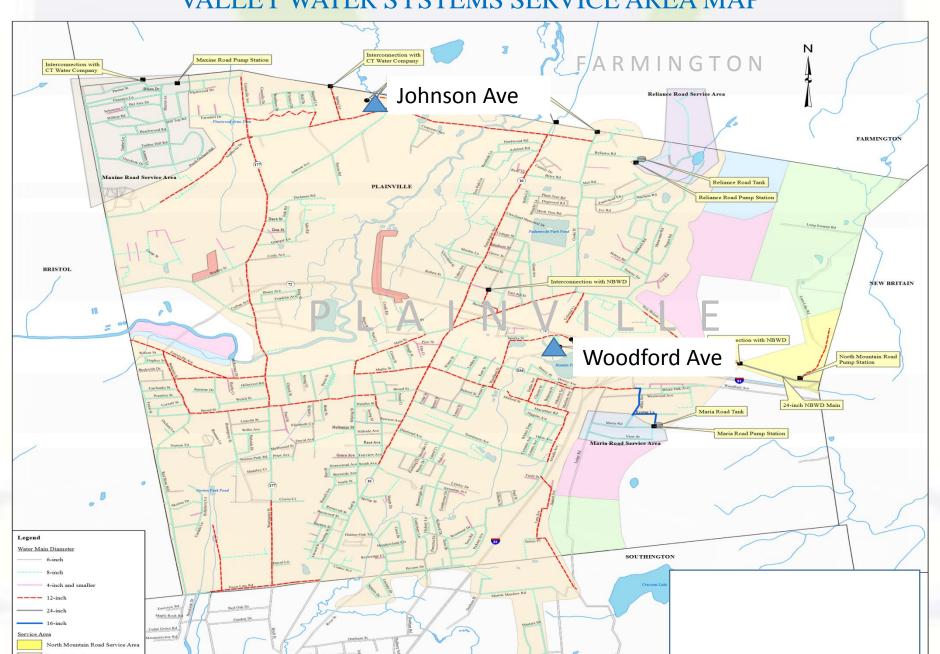
#### VWS FACTS AND FIGURES

- Water system operations since 1884
- 6,800 customers in Plainville, Southington and Farmington
  - Population served 18,000 people
- Two water supply wellfields with multiple high producing and reliable wells
  - More than 80 miles of water mains and 600 hydrants
    - Two water storage tanks, 1 million gallons each
- VWS is regulated by the CT Public Utility Regulatory Authority (PURA) & the Department of Public Health (DPH)

#### VALLEY WATER SYSTEMS ORGANIZATION CHART



#### VALLEY WATER SYSTEMS SERVICE AREA MAP



# MARIA ROAD TANK AND PUMP STATION



# RELIANCE ROAD TANK AND PUMP STATION



## WOODFORD AVENUE WELLS AND TREATMENT



### JOHNSON AVENUE TREATMENT PLANT AT WELLFIELD



## JOHNSON AVE. WATER SYSTEM TREATMENT OPERATIONS



# WATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION



#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS**

- 1. New water quality job order system
- 2. Quarterly customer service training
- 3. Daily customer service surveys performed via telephone
  - 4. Customer service surveys now available online
    - 5. Customer service satisfaction tracking

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE PROTOCOL**

#### Water Quality and Service Concerns

- 1. Call is logged into the system as a water quality concern
- 2. Customer service representative will ask the customer to set an in home appointment with a field tech
  - 3. A job order is created and tracked in our system to ensure completion
  - 4. Field tech will discuss concerns with customer and perform tests for:
    - > pH Level
    - ➤ Chlorine Residual
      - ➤ Water Pressure
    - Color & Clarity
    - > Taste & Odor
  - 5. Field tech to report their findings to and discuss recommendations with the customer
  - 6. Job order is filled in with information gathered and findings noted on customer file
- 7. President/Operations Supervisor verify information is sufficient to close the job order or require additional steps as necessary

# CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY EXAMPLE

Representatives over the telephone and/or front	with the Custon counter?	ner Service
Excellent Very Good Good	° Fair	<sup>O</sup> Poor
2. Did the Customer Service Rep,		
Understand how to properly handle your request?	O Yes	° No
Answer questions clearly?	° Yes	° No
Resolve your problem?	° Yes	$^{\circ}$ No
Show interest and concern?	° Yes	° No
3. Comments /Suggestions about Customer Serv	vice Representa	tives:
4		<u></u>
4. Overall, how would you rate the service that Technician?	was provided by	y the Service
Excellent Very Good Good	<sup>C</sup> Fair	<sup>C</sup> Poor
5. Did the Service Technician,		
21 214 411 241 1144 1 441111411111,		
Identify themselves?	° Yes	° No
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Identify themselves?  Understand how to properly handle your request?	° Yes	° No
Identify themselves?  Understand how to properly handle your request?  Answer questions clearly?	Yes Yes	° No
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#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Evaluate techniques to soften our supplies while keeping customers informed
  - ✓ Engineering analysis
    - ✓ Water chemistry
      - ✓ Effectiveness
  - ✓ Technical feasibility
  - ✓ Regulatory approvals
  - Determine the rate impacts with each potential solution
    - ✓ Capital costs
    - ✓ Annual costs
- Survey our customers for input to assist in making decisions based on costs & benefits
  - Share information with our customers and regulators

## HARDNESS LEVELS 2017

