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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to testing drinking water for the presence of microplastics

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subchapter 4 of chapter 3 of title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 24-370 to read as follows:

§ 24-370 Testing drinking water for microplastics. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Microplastic. The term “microplastic” means a piece of plastic that is one nanometer to five millimeters in size.

Street-side drinking water sampling station. The term “street-side drinking water sampling station” means a drinking water sampling station located at the end point of the city’s drinking water distribution system, before drinking water enters the local service line.

b. The department, as part of its regular testing protocol, shall test for the presence of microplastics in drinking water at each street-side drinking water sampling station. Such testing results shall be included in any report the department prepares on the sampling, testing and monitoring of the city’s drinking water. The department shall post on its website such testing results.

c. The department shall promulgate regulations to create standards or methods for testing the city’s drinking water for microplastics.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law.

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