

## Whole House Flushing Instructions

"Flushing" is allowing water to run through open taps to remove standing water from interior pipes and outlets. It is used as a regular practice to ensure the water is regularly moving throughout the home.

## **Flushing Instructions:**

- Locate and open all water faucets in your house that can drain continuously without overflowing (sinks, laundry and utility faucets, bathtubs, showerheads).
- Avoid running water through or remove endpoint devices (dishwashers, refrigerators, washing machines, etc.) during flushing.
- Leave all faucets fully open and running for at least 30 minutes or 10minutes for outdoor faucets.
- Thoroughly flush cold water plumbing before using or flushing hot water plumbing.
- Replace all home water filters and empty ice from ice maker if applicable; make and discard two additional batches of ice before continuing use.

Flushing can be regular practice to clear standing water and used as a short-term solution for some water quality concerns.

