FY 2014 NWPG Measure Definitions Pacific Islands

Measure Code: PI-SP26

**Measure Language:** Percent of population in the U.S. Pacific Island Territories served by community water systems that has access to continuous drinking water meeting all applicable health–based drinking water standards, measured on a four quarter rolling average.

**Type of Measure:** Target measure; Annually reported

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Measure Definition Terms and phrases:

- *U.S. Pacific territories* consist of Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa.
- A *community water system* is a public water system which serves at least 15 service connections used by year–round residents or regularly serves at least 25 year–round residents.

**Methodology for computation of results:** Quarterly Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) data from the three territories is reviewed. The population served by water with any health–based violations is subtracted from the total population in each territory. The result is a one year rolling average and reported as a percentage.

**Units:** Population, expressed as a percentage.

**Universe:** Total population served by community water systems, of the U.S. Pacific territories (Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa)

**Baseline:** The FY 2005 baseline is 95% of the population in American Samoa, 10% in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and 80% in Guam served by community water systems received drinking water that meets all applicable health–based drinking water standards throughout the year.