



Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Province of British Columbia

Ambient Water Quality Guidelines for Ethylbenzene

Addendum to Overview Report (1999)

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The Water Protection and Sustainability Branch rescinds the 1999 B.C. approved ethylbenzene water quality guidelines (WQGs) for the protection of drinking water supplies of 0.0024 mg/L and WQGs for the protection of recreational uses of 0.0024 mg/L (B.C. Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, 1999). The source drinking water quality guideline values of 0.14 mg/L (for protection against health effects) and 0.0016 mg/L (for protection against unfavourable odour) for ethylbenzene (ENV, 2020) now applies to the Water Quality Guidelines for Ethylbenzene: Overview Report (B.C. Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, 1999).

References:

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