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Local Water Testing Lab Ranks Among Best In Country

Water testing laboratory Community Environmental Laboratories (CEL) finished in the top fifteen percent of labs in the country for accuracy in a recent nationwide blind study.

Aberdeen, MD—Community Environmental Laboratories (CEL) is more accustomed to conducting tests than participating in them, but despite that the local water testing lab finished in the top 15 percent of all laboratories in the country according to a recent blind study.

To participate in the study, CEL analyzed water samples provided by Laramie, WY-based Resource Technology Corporation (RTC), a National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program proficiency testing provider accredited by the National Institute of Standards of Technology and the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation. CEL then reported its results to RTC, which compared them to actual pollutant levels.

When the results were in, CEL received an 85 percent or better acceptance rate from RTC, placing in the top fifteen percent of all laboratories reporting nationally. According to CEL president and founder David Klunk, “We’ve always been proud of the quality of our testing and the consistency of our results, and this blind study confirms that CEL delivers big lab accuracy combined with the regional expertise of a local provider.”

CEL is the only state-certified water testing laboratory headquartered in Harford County. To achieve and maintain its certification, CEL must meet stringent requirements including reporting to more than a dozen different regulating agencies.

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Founded in 1995, CEL is a water testing laboratory that provides timely, accurate results to homeowners, private businesses and government agencies to ensure the safety of their water supplies.

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