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Subject: Annual Data Report – publication of value qualifiers

The ADRP scripts have been modified to set the default for value-qualifier codes in water-quality tables to be "Do NOT include value qualifiers." The value qualifiers do not have to be published in the annual data report (ADR). If you do want value qualifiers to be included with a particular retrieval, add the flag **QualCd** to the Master Publication List (MPL) configuration.

One of the effects of turning value-qualifier codes "off" is that 'k' ("counts outside the acceptable range") value qualifier for microbiology results will not appear in the tables. These results will appear with a remark code of 'E' ("estimated value") and may be published as is or a comment may be added to the table indicating that the microbiology results with a remark code of 'E' are based on non-ideal counts.

The latest scripts may be retrieved by going to the masterBin directory and typing **getSimsAdrScripts**. The revisions will be retrieved and installed automatically.

The documentation has been updated to reflect this change.

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