## **Water Treatment**

- 1) Aeration Water is sprayed into the air to release any trapped gases and to absorb oxygen for better taste.
- 2) Flocculation Alum is rapidly mixed into the water, causing particles in the water to coagulate, or clump together into larger particles known as floc.
- 3) Sedimentation The water flows slowly through a basin or tank where the floc settles to the bottom.
- 4) Filtration The clear water is filtered through coal, sand and gravel to remove small light particles.
- 5) Disinfection Small amounts of chlorine or other chemicals are added to kill remaining germs to keep the water pure as it travels through pipelines.

