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Table 3G. Nutrients and dissolved organic carbon, comparative thresholds, and reporting information for the USGS National Water Quality Laboratory schedule 2755 and parameter code 2613.

[The five-digit USGS parameter code is used to uniquely identify a specific constituent or property. CAS, Chemical Abstract Service; LRL, laboratory reporting level; HAL-US, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency lifetime health advisory level; MCL-US, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency maximum contaminant level; D, detected in ground-water samples ([table 9](#)); na, not available; mg/L, milligrams per liter]

Constituent	USGS parameter code	CAS number	LRL (mg/L)	Threshold type ¹	Threshold value (mg/L)	Detection
Ammonia	00608	7664-41-7	0.010	HAL-US	30	D
Nitrite (as nitrogen)	00613	14797-65-0	0.002	MCL-US	1	D
Nitrate plus nitrite (as nitrogen)	00631	na	0.060	MCL-US	10	D
Total nitrogen (ammonia, nitrite, nitrate, organic nitrogen)	62854	17778-88-0	0.06	na	na	D
Phosphorus, phosphate, orthophosphate (as phosphorus)	00671	14265-44-2	0.006	na	na	D
Dissolved organic carbon (DOC)	00681	na	0.33	na	na	D

¹Maximum contaminant level thresholds are listed as MCL-US when the MCL-US and MCL-CA are identical, and as MCL-CA when the MCL-CA is lower than the MCL-US or no MCL-US exists.