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Ronald and Audrey Wilson
P.O. Box 219
Wise River, MT 59762

Re: Administrative Order Addendum
H Bar J Saloon and Cafe
Public Water System
Docket No. SDWA-08-2010-0063
PWS ID #MT0002160

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wilson:

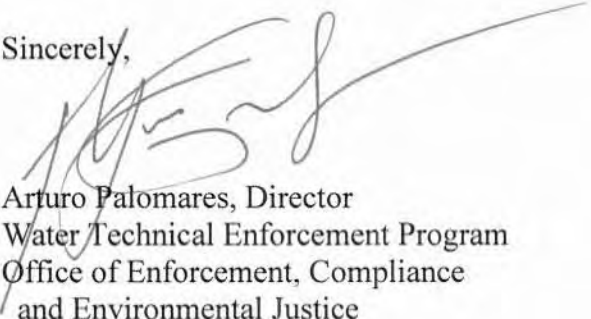
According to paragraph 22 of the Administrative Order (Order) EPA issued on August 31, 2010, you were required to submit a compliance plan and schedule for bringing the H Bar J Saloon and Café public water system into compliance with the total coliform maximum contaminant level (MCL) within 30 days after receipt of the Order. EPA received a compliance plan and schedule on October 31, 2010; however that plan only included increased total coliform bacteria monitoring and was not approved by EPA.

On December 6, 2010, EPA received a new compliance plan and schedule describing corrective action measures that occurred since EPA's Order was issued. Specifically, you cleaned debris from adjacent ditches and culverts to allow for adequate drainage and implemented proper sampling protocols as outlined by Montana Rural Water staff. In addition you contracted with a professional engineer to thoroughly evaluate the water system for areas of possible total coliform bacteria contamination including the septic tank. This evaluation occurred between December 2010 and April 2011 and concluded that a continuous source of total coliform bacteria could not be found. You further updated your plan on May 14, 2011, noting that all total coliform samples have been safe for the past 8 months, and that you plan to begin a regular disinfection program.


At this time, EPA will not require you to submit another compliance plan and schedule. However, should you again exceed the MCL for total coliform while this Order is open, a compliance plan and schedule for installing permanent disinfection or drilling a new well will be required within 30 days after lab notification of the MCL exceedance. You must continue to sample monthly for total coliform bacteria as required in paragraph 19 of the Order. In addition, you must disinfect the water system quarterly.

Please be advised that you are required to comply with all other provisions of the Order. Penalties for failing to comply are set forth in the Order. Please contact Shawn McCaffrey at (303) 312-6515 if you have any questions. If you are represented by an attorney, please ask your attorney to call Brenda Morris at the above 800 number, extension 6891, or at (303) 312-6891.

Sincerely,



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