UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED COMBINED COMPLAINT AND CONSENT AGREEMENT AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Action: The EPA is providing notice of the opportunity to comment on a proposed Combined Complaint and Consent Agreement (CCCA). The agreement relates to alleged storm water violations of the Clean Water Act (CWA) at the Trails Subdivision in Colorado Springs, Colorado where Keller Homes, Inc. (Keller) was constructing residential housing. The corporate address of Keller is 536 Chapel Hill Drive #150, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80920.

Summary: The EPA is authorized by section 309(g)(2) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2), and by 40 C.F.R. §§ 22.13(b) and 22.38, to issue an order assessing a civil administrative penalty for violations of certain CWA requirements, after providing (1) an opportunity for the person to be assessed the penalty (Respondent) to request a hearing to contest the penalty, and (2) notification to the public of its rights to submit written comments and to participate in any hearing. The deadline for the public to submit comments is thirty days after issuance of this notice.

The EPA and Keller have agreed to enter into a CCCA to resolve the EPA's allegations that Keller violated the requirement listed below. Keller has agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$16,000.00 to resolve its civil penalty liability for this claim. Pursuant to section 309(g)(4) of the CWA, the EPA hereby notifies the public of the opportunity to comment on this proposed penalty assessment.

EPA Docket Number for proposed expedited settlement:

Alleged violation: (1) Respondent has discharged storm water into waters of the United States from its site without authorization by any permit issued under the CWA from March 2014 through July 22, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Written comments on the expedited settlement agreement are encouraged and will be accepted at the address listed below for a period of thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice. Written comments submitted by the public as well as information submitted by Respondent will be available for public review, subject to the provisions of law restricting the disclosure of confidential information. Any person submitting written comments has a right to participate in a hearing, if one is held. The complaint is available for review between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the address listed below and on the internet at: <u>http://yosemite.epa.gov/oa/rhc/epaadmin.nsf</u>.

Please submit written comments to:

Tina Artemis (8RC) Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region 8 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202-1129 Telephone: (303) 312-6765

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Persons wishing to receive a copy of the expedited settlement agreement or other documents in this proceeding (such as the regulations in 40 C.F.R. part 22, which establish procedures for the hearing), or to comment upon the proposed penalty assessment or upon any other aspect of the matter, should contact the Regional Hearing Clerk identified above.