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The Honorable Willie A. Sharp, Jr., Chairman Blackfeet Tribe P.O. Box 850 Browning, MT 59417

Re:

Emergency Administrative Order Docket No. SDWA-08-2010-0056 Blackfeet Utilities Commission Bedrock Water System PWS ID #083090004

Dear Chairman Sharp:

On June 23, 2010, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued an Emergency Administrative Order (Order) under section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (the Act), 40 U.S.C. § 300i, to the Blackfeet Utilities Commission (BUC), as owner and/or operator of the Bedrock (New Babb) public water system (the system). This letter confirms the e-mail notice provided to Robert DesRosier, Director of BUC, by Kimberly Pardue Welch of EPA on July 16, 2010, that weekly bacteriological monitoring in the distribution system is no longer required. At this time, the system may resume monthly bacteriological monitoring. This notice is based on bacteriological monitoring conducted on June 24, June 25, June 28, July 7, and July 13, which were analyzed as total coliform negative. The system is required to comply with all other provisions of the Order. Penalties for failing to comply are set forth in the Order.

We appreciate the Tribe's and BUC's ongoing efforts. If you have any questions regarding this matter, your staff may contact Kimberly Pardue Welch, at (800) 227-8917, ext. 6983 or (303) 312-6983 or Arthur Howell at (406) 457-5011. If the Tribe is represented by an attorney, they may call Amy Swanson, Senior Enforcement Attorney, at (800) 227-8917, ext. 6906 or (303) 312-6906, with any legal questions.

Sincerely,

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