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Leroy Spang, President Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council P.O. Box 128 Lame Deer, MT 59043

Re: Closure of Emergency Order

Docket No. SDWA-08-2010-0013 Birney Water System, 083090062 Muddy Cluster Water System, 083090065

Dear President Spang:

On January 14, 2010, EPA issued an Emergency Administrative Order to the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council and the Northern Cheyenne Utility Commission (NCUC). The Order was issued following a loss of pressure in both the Birney and Muddy Cluster water systems. I am writing today to close out this Order..

Manager Winslow Whitecrane and his staff have met all requirements of the Order. Required special samples were collected and all showed the water to be safe to drink. The systems are both now on their regular monthly monitoring schedule. Operators must be diligent about maintaining the pump houses including disinfection equipment. It is also essential that the chlorine residual be monitored at the same time and location as the monthly coliform samples.

If either you or your staff has questions regarding the emergency or our Order, please do not hesitate to contact me at (406) 457-5025, or Barbara Burkland, at (406) 457-5009.

Sincerely,

Julie DalSoglio, Director

EPA Region 8, Montana Office

cc: Winslow Whitecrane, Director

Northern Cheyenne Utility Commission

Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk