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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Akal Energy, LLC
Mr. Manjot Pandher, Owner
Ms. Amandeep Pandher, Owner
Akal Travel Center
168 Hunt Rd., Laramie, WY 82070

Subj: Administrative Order issued to Akal Energy, LLC, Manjot Pandher, and Amandeep Pandher regarding Akal Travel Center Public Water System, PWS ID # WY5600313, Docket No. SDWA-08-2026-0053

Dear Manjot Pandher and Amandeep Pandher:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (Order) issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the authority of section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g). This Order modifies the Administrative Order issued to Manjot Pandher on September 3, 2020, and now includes Manjot Pandher, Amandeep Pandher, and Akal Energy, LLC as Respondents. Based on the best information available to the Agency, the EPA has determined that all three Respondents are owners and/or operators of the Akal Energy Buford Outpost Public Water System (System). The Amended Order alleges that Respondents have violated the EPA's drinking water regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141 (Part 141). The EPA has repeatedly reached out to System representatives and is now issuing this Amended Order because our previous compliance assurance efforts have not been effective in returning the System to compliance with Part 141.

The Order is effective upon the date received. Please review the Order and within 10 business days provide the EPA with any pertinent information you believe the EPA may not have (e.g., any monitoring that may have been done but not submitted, any updates to the number of service connections and/or individuals served). If the EPA does not hear from you, the EPA will assume this information is correct. If Respondents comply with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the

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Order may trigger immediate action by the EPA, including a complaint seeking administrative penalties. The complaint may lead to assessment of civil penalties of up to \$71,545 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation, a court injunction ordering compliance, or both. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g)(3); 40 C.F.R. part 19; 90 Fed. Reg. at 1375 (January 8, 2025).

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) may apply to this situation. Enclosed is a small business information sheet, outlining compliance assistance resources available to small businesses and small entities, in case these are relevant. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the Order or Part 141. Also enclosed are several templates and fact sheets to assist Respondents in addressing the outstanding violations.

Please be aware that Respondents are required to submit to the EPA a plan and schedule for bringing the System into compliance with Part 141. The EPA's approval of Respondents' schedule does not substitute for any other approval that may be required by any other governmental entity for modifying the System. The EPA encourages Respondents to contact any such governmental agency or agencies regarding any applicable approval requirements.

If you have any questions or to request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Christina Carballal via email at carballal-broome.christina@epa.gov, or by phone at (303) 312-6046. Any questions from your attorney should be directed to Mia Bearley, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, via email at bearley.mia@epa.gov or by phone at (303) 312-6554. We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Colleen Rathbone, Manager
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