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Robert Woodbrey, Facilities Manager
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Subj: Administrative Order issued to the Corporation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints regarding LDS-Buffalo Ridge Church Public Water System, PWS ID #WY5601682, Docket No. SDWA-08-2024-0038

Dear Mr. Woodbrey:

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). Among other things, the Order alleges that the Corporation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Respondent), as the owner of the LDS-Buffalo Ridge Church Public Water System (System), has violated the EPA's drinking water regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141 (Part 141). The EPA is issuing this 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 the Respondent, the EPA will assume this information is correct. If the Respondent complies with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the 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 \$69,733 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation, a court injunction ordering compliance, or both. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3; 40 C.F.R. part 19; 88 Fed. Reg. at 89309 (December 27, 2023).

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If you have any questions or to request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Marlon Bell via email at Bell.marlon@epa.gov, or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6539, or (303) 312-6539. Any questions from your attorney should be directed to Mia Bearley, Senior Regional Counsel, via email at bearley.mia@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Cantor, Manager
Acting Water Enforcement Branch
Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

ENCLOSURES

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