

### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

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Ms. Nancy J. Brown, Registered Agent Leisure Valley, Inc. P.O. Box 299 Thayne, WY 83127

Re:

Administrative Order issued to Leisure Valley, Inc., Star Valley RV Park Public Water

System, PWS ID # WY5601471, Docket No.spwa-08-2014-0043

Dear Ms. Brown:

Enclosed is an Administrative Order (Order) issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 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 Leisure Valley, Inc. (Company), as owner and/or operator of the Star Valley RV Park Public Water System (System), has violated the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Drinking Water Regulations) at 40 C.F.R. part 141.

The Order is effective upon the date received. Please review the Order and within 10 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, etc.).

If the Company complies with the Order, the EPA may close the Order without further action. Failure to comply with the Order may lead to substantial civil penalties and/or a federal court injunction ordering compliance.

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 governments, in case these are relevant. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the Order or the Drinking Water Regulations.

To submit information, to request paper copies of public notice forms and instructions, or to request an informal conference with the EPA, please contact Mario Mérida at the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-W) or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6297, or (303) 312-6297. Any questions from the Company's attorney should be directed to Mia Bearley, Enforcement Attorney, who may be reached at

the above address (with the mailcode 8ENF-L) or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6554, or (303) 312-6554.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Artero Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

Enclosures:

Order

SBREFA Information Sheet

cc:

WY DEQ/DOH (via email) Tina Artemis, EPA Regional Hearing Clerk

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Lincoln County Commissioners c/o T. Deb Wolfley, Chairman 925 Sage Ave., Ste. 302 Kemmerer, WY 83101

Re: Notice of Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement Action against the Star Valley RV Park

Public Water System, PWS ID # WY5601471

### Dear Commissioners:

The Safe Drinking Water Act (Act) requires that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notify locally elected officials of certain enforcement actions taken in their area.

An Administrative Order (Order) is being issued to Leisure Valley, Inc., which owns the Star Valley RV Park Public Water System, located in Lincoln County, WY, directing it to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The violations alleged in the Order include: failing to monitor for synthetic organic contaminants (pesticides), failing to monitor for volatile organic contaminants, and failing to report certain violations to the EPA.

For more details, a copy of the Order is enclosed. **The Order does not require any response or action by the County Commission.** If you have any questions regarding this Order, please contact Mario Mérida at (303) 312-6297.

Sincerely

Arturo Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

Enclosure:

Administrative Order

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IN THE MATTER OF:	). EAN REGION VIII
	) Docket No. SDWA-08-2014-0043
Leisure Valley, Inc.	) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
Respondent.	)

- 1. This Order is issued under the authority vested in the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act), 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g), as properly delegated to the undersigned officials.
- 2. Leisure Valley, Inc. (Respondent) is a Wyoming and Nevada corporation that owns and/or operates the Star Valley RV Park Public Water System (System), which provides piped water to the public in Lincoln County, Wyoming, for human consumption.
- 3. The System is supplied by a groundwater source consisting of 2 wells. The water is not treated.
- 4. The System has approximately 50 service connections used by year-round residents and/or regularly serves an average of approximately 130 year-round residents, in addition to 699 connections which provide service for an average of approximately 800 individuals at least 60 days out of the year. Therefore, the System is a "public water system" and a "community water system" as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 141.2 and section 1401 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f.
- 5. Respondent is subject to the Act and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (Drinking Water Regulations) at 40 C.F.R. part 141. The Drinking Water Regulations are "applicable requirements" as defined in section 1414(i) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(i).
- 6. The Drinking Water Regulations include monitoring requirements. The EPA has sent Respondent annual notifications of the specific monitoring requirements that apply to the System.

### VIOLATIONS

- 7. Respondent is required to monitor the System's water for volatile organic contaminants during four consecutive quarters during 2014. 40 C.F.R. § 141.24(f)(4). Respondent failed to monitor the System's water for volatile organic contaminants during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (January March) of 2014 and, therefore, violated this requirement.
- 8. Respondent is required to monitor the System's water for certain synthetic (pesticide/herbicide) organic contaminants during four consecutive quarters during 2014. 40 C.F.R. § 141.24(h). Respondent failed to monitor the System's water for synthetic organic contaminants during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (January March) of 2014, and, therefore, violated this requirement.

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9. Respondent is required to report any failure to comply with any Drinking Water Regulation to the EPA within 48 hours (except where the Drinking Water Regulations specify a different time period). 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(b). Respondent failed to report the violations cited in paragraphs 7 and 8, above, to the EPA and, therefore, violated this requirement.

### ORDER

Based on the above violations, Respondent is ordered to perform the following actions upon Respondent's receipt of this Order (unless a different deadline is specified below):

- 10. Respondent shall monitor the System's water for volatile organic contaminants no later than September 30, 2014, and quarterly thereafter until notified by the EPA of different monitoring frequency, in compliance with 40 C.F.R. § 141.24(f). Respondent shall report analytical results to the EPA within the first 10 days following the month in which each sample result is received. 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a).
- 11. Respondent shall monitor the System's water for pesticide/herbicide contaminants no later than September 30, 2014, and quarterly thereafter until notified by the EPA of a different monitoring frequency, in compliance with 40 C.F.R. § 141.24(h). Respondent shall report analytical results to the EPA within the first 10 days following the month in which each sample result is received, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a).
- 12. For any future violation of the Drinking Water Regulations for which this Order does not specify a reporting period, Respondent shall report the violation to the EPA within 48 hours of the violation occurring, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(b). However, if the Drinking Water Regulations specify a different time period for reporting the particular violation, Respondent shall report the violation to the EPA within that different period.
- 13. This Order shall be binding on Respondent, its successors and assigns, and any person (e.g., employee, contractor, or other agent) acting in concert with Respondent.
- 14. If Respondent (a) leases or sells the System to another person or entity, or (b) contracts with or hires any other person or entity to operate the System, Respondent shall, no later than the date of such lease, sale, or other contract, provide a copy of this Order to the lessee, purchaser, or contractor. No later than 10 days thereafter, Respondent shall notify the EPA in writing of the lease, sale, or other contract, with such notification to include the name and contact information of the person who has leased, bought, or contracted to operate the System. Respondent shall remain obligated to comply with this Order even if Respondent leases the System to another person or entity or hires another person or entity to operate the System.

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15. Respondent shall send all reporting and notifications required by this Order in writing to:

> U.S. EPA Region 8 (8P-W-DW) 1595 Wynkoop Denver, Colorado 80202-1129

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

- This Order shall not constitute a waiver, suspension, or modification of any requirement of the Act or the Drinking Water Regulations. Issuance of this Order is not an election by the EPA to forgo any civil or criminal action.
- Violation of any part of this Order or the Drinking Water Regulations may subject Respondent to a civil penalty of up to \$37,500 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation. 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3: 40 C.F.R. part 19.
- 18. Respondent may seek federal judicial review of this Order pursuant to section 1448(a) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300j-7(a).
- 19. This Order is effective upon receipt by Respondent and will continue to be in effect until closed by the EPA.

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James H. Eppers, Supervisory Attorney

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and Environmental Justice

Arturo Falomares, Director

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### U.S. EPA Small Business Resources Information Sheet

The United States Environmental Protection Agency provides an array of resources, including workshops, training sessions, hotlines, websites and guides, to help small businesses understand and comply with federal and state environmental laws. In addition to helping small businesses understand their environmental obligations and improve compliance, these resources will also help such businesses find cost-effective ways to comply through pollution prevention techniques and innovative technologies.

### **EPA's Small Business Websites**

Small Business Environmental Homepage - www.smallbiz-enviroweb.org

Small Business Gateway - www.epa.gov/smallbusiness

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman - www.epa.gov/sbo or 1-800-368-5888

### **EPA's Compliance Assistance Homepage**

www.epa.gov/compliance/assistance/business.html

This page is a gateway to industry and statute-specific environmental resources, from extensive web-based information to hotlines and compliance assistance specialists.

### **EPA's Compliance Assistance Centers**

www.assistancecenters.net

EPA's Compliance Assistance Centers provide information targeted to industries with many small businesses. They were developed in partnership with industry, universities and other federal and state agencies.

### Agriculture

www.epa.gov/agriculture/

### **Automotive Recycling**

www.ecarcenter.org

### **Automotive Service and Repair**

www.ccar-greenlink.org or 1-888-GRN-LINK

### **Chemical Manufacturing**

www.chemalliance.org

#### Construction

www.cicacenter.org or 1-734-995-4911

#### Education

www.campuserc.org

### **Food Processing**

www.fpeac.org

#### Healthcare

www.hercenter.org

### **Local Government**

www.lgean.org

### **Metal Finishing**

www.nmfrc.org

#### **Paints and Coatings**

www paintcenter.org

### **Printed Wiring Board Manufacturing**

www.pwbrc.org

### **Printing**

www.pneac.org

#### Ports

www.portcompliance.org

## U.S. Border Compliance and Import/Export Issues

www.bordercenter.org

## Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

www.epa.gov/epahome/hotline.htm

EPA sponsors many free hotlines and clearinghouses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements. Some examples are:

### **Antimicrobial Information Hotline**

info-antimicrobial@epa.gov or 1-703-308-6411

### Clean Air Technology Center (CATC) Info-line

www.epa.gov/ttn/catc or 1-919-541-0800

## **Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act**

www.epa.gov/superfund/resources/infocenter/epcra.htm or 1-800-424-9346

## **EPA Imported Vehicles and Engines Public Helpline**

www.epa.gov/otaq/imports or 734-214-4100

### **National Pesticide Information Center**

www.npic.orst.edu/ or 1-800-858-7378

### National Response Center Hotline -

to report oil and hazardous substance spills www.nrc.uscg.mil or 1-800-424-8802

## **Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse** (PPIC)

www.epa.gov/opptintr/ppic or 1-202-566-0799

### Safe Drinking Water Hotline

www.epa.gov/safewater/hotline/index. html or 1-800-426-4791

### Stratospheric Ozone Protection Hotline

www.epa.gov/ozone or 1-800-296-1996

### U. S. EPA Small Business Resources

### Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Hotline

tsca-hotline@epa.gov or 1-202-554-1404

### Wetlands Information Helpline

www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/wetline.html or 1-800-832-7828

#### State and Tribal Web-Based Resources

### State Resource Locators

www.envcap.org/statetools

The Locators provide state-specific contacts, regulations and resources covering the major environmental laws.

## State Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs)

www.smallbiz-enviroweb.org

State SBEAPs help small businesses and assistance providers understand environmental requirements and sustainable business practices through workshops, trainings and site visits. The website is a central point for sharing resources between EPA and states.

### EPA's Tribal Compliance Assistance Center

www.epa.gov/tribalcompliance/index.html

The Center provides material to Tribes on environmental stewardship and regulations that might apply to tribal government operations.

### **EPA's Tribal Portal**

www.epa.gov/tribalportal/

The Portal helps users locate tribal-related information within EPA and other federal agencies.

#### **EPA Compliance Incentives**

EPA provides incentives for environmental compliance. By participating in compliance assistance programs or voluntarily disclosing and promptly correcting violations before an enforcement action has been initiated, businesses may be eligible for penalty waivers or reductions. EPA has two such policies that may apply to small businesses:

### **EPA's Small Business Compliance Policy**

www.epa.gov/compliance/incentives/smallbusiness/index.html

This Policy offers small businesses special incentives to come into compliance voluntarily.

### **EPA's Audit Policy**

www.epa.gov/compliance/incentives/auditing/auditpolicy.html

The Policy provides incentives to all businesses that voluntarily discover, promptly disclose and expeditiously correct their noncompliance.

## Commenting on Federal Enforcement Actions and Compliance Activities

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) established a SBREFA Ombudsman and 10 Regional Fairness Boards to receive comments from small businesses about federal agency enforcement actions. If you believe that you fall within the Small Business Administration's definition of a small business (based on your North American Industry Classification System designation, number of employees or annual receipts, as defined at 13 C.F.R. 121.201; in most cases, this means a business with 500 or fewer employees), and wish to comment on federal enforcement and compliance activities, call the SBREFA Ombudsman's toll-free number at 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247), or go to their website at www. sba.gov/ombudsman.

Every small business that is the subject of an enforcement or compliance action is entitled to comment on the Agency's actions without fear of retaliation. EPA employees are prohibited from using enforcement or any other means of retaliation against any member of the regulated community in response to comments made under SBREFA.

### Your Duty to Comply

If you receive compliance assistance or submit a comment to the SBREFA Ombudsman or Regional Fairness Boards, you still have the duty to comply with the law, including providing timely responses to EPA information requests, administrative or civil complaints, other enforcement actions or communications. The assistance information and comment processes do not give you any new rights or defenses in any enforcement action. These processes also do not affect EPA's obligation to protect public health or the environment under any of the environmental statutes it enforces, including the right to take emergency remedial or emergency response actions when appropriate. Those decisions will be based on the facts in each situation. The SBREFA Ombudsman and Fairness Boards do not participate in resolving EPA's enforcement actions. Also, remember that to preserve your rights, you need to comply with all rules governing the enforcement process.

EPA is disseminating this information to you without making a determination that your business or organization is a small business as defined by Section 222 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act or related provisions.