

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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<u>SENT VIA EMAIL</u> <u>DIGITAL READ RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Ms. Donna H. Shepherd, Registered Agent SSDA, LLC P.O. Box 3393 Jackson, Wyoming 83001 <u>scott@scottsre.com</u> Received by EPA Region VIII Hearing Clerk

Re: Administrative Order issued to SSDA, LLC, regarding Snake River Mobile Home Park Public Water System, PWS ID #WY5600214, Docket No. SDWA-08-2022-0007

Dear Ms. Shepherd:

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 SSDA, LLC (Company), as owner and/or operator of the Snake River Mobile Home Park 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 you, the EPA will assume this information is correct. If the Company 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 \$62,689 (as adjusted for inflation) per day of violation, a federal court injunction ordering compliance, or both.

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 the Company address the outstanding violations. Please be aware that the Company is required to submit to the EPA a plan and schedule for bringing the System into compliance with Part 141. The EPA's approval of the Company's schedule does not substitute for any other approval that may be required by any other governmental entity for modifying the System. The EPA encourages the Company to contact any such governmental agency or agencies regarding any applicable approval requirements. Changes to the System may require a permit from the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WY DEQ). The contact person at WY DEQ for your region is Dennis Lewis. He can be reached at 307-777-7088 or dennis.lewis@wyo.gov.

You are required to notify the public quarterly by completing a public notice (PN) until the nitrate maximum contaminant level violation is resolved. Please submit a copy of the completed PN and a certification of its completion to the EPA each quarter.

The EPA acknowledges that the COVID-19 pandemic may be impacting your business. If you have specific COVID-19 issues that would affect the timeframes listed herein, please contact Nathan Hicks via email at hicks.nathaniel@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6546, or (303) 312-6546 within 7 business days of receiving this Order. The EPA may, in its discretion, consider granting an extension.

If you have any questions or to discuss this Order with the EPA, please contact Nathan Hicks at the email and phone number provided above. Any questions from your attorney should be directed to Paige Lambert, Honors Attorney, via email at lambert.paige@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6762, or (303) 312-6762.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Colleen Rathbone, Chief Water Enforcement Branch Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division

## Enclosures

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