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Bedford Water & Sewer District c/o
Clint Rapier, Board President
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Jason Mavy, Contract Operator
Bedford Water & Sewer District
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Re: Emergency Administrative Order under Section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, Bedford Water & Sewer District Public Water System, PWS ID #WY5600006, Docket No. SDWA-08-2023-0023

Dear Ms. Skinner and Mr. Mavy:

Enclosed is an Emergency Administrative Order (Order) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to Bedford Water & Sewer District, under section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act), 42 U.S.C. § 300i.

The EPA has determined that conditions exist at the Bedford Water & Sewer District Public Water System (System) that may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the persons served by the System. The EPA has made this determination based on a notification from Bedford Water & Sewer District on August 9, 2023, that the System has *E. coli* contamination, as described in the Order.

Pursuant to the authority set forth in section 1431 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300i, the EPA is authorized to take actions necessary to protect human health. The Order and its requirements are necessary to ensure adequate protection of public health.

The enclosed Order sets forth the actions that must be taken to ensure that the people served by the System are provided with safe drinking water. The Order requires the Bedford Water & Sewer District to, among other things, take the following actions: issue a boil water advisory and provide an alternate source of water until notified by the EPA to discontinue; submit a plan and schedule for corrective actions; disinfect and flush the System; and take additional total coliform bacteria samples.

The penalties for failing to comply are set forth in the Order. If you have any questions or wish to discuss the Order, please contact Chris Brown via email at brown.christopher.t@epa.gov, or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6669, or (303) 312-6669. Any questions from the Company's attorney should be directed to Noah Stanton, Assistant Regional Counsel, via email at stanton.noah@epa.gov or by phone at (800) 227-8917, extension 6163, or (303) 312-66163.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures

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