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Mr. Kenney Hill, President  
 Lambert County Sewer and Water District  
 P.O. Box 104  
 Lambert, Montana 59243

Re: Violation of Administrative Order, Lambert County Sewer and Water District  
 Public Water System, Docket No. SDWA-08-2015-0001

Dear Mr. Hill:

On January 12, 2015, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued an Administrative Order (Order), Docket No. SDWA-08-2015-0001, ordering the Lambert County Sewer and Water District (District) to comply with various regulations issued by the EPA under the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f *et seq.*, at the Lambert County Sewer and Water District Public Water System (System). On March 23, 2015, the EPA incorporated into the Order as an Addendum a compliance plan and schedule submitted on behalf of the District by Greg Lukasik of Great West Engineering, Inc., outlining deadlines for specific action items that would return the District to compliance with the drinking water regulations.

Our records indicate that the District is in violation of the Order. Among other things, the District has failed to meet several of the agreed upon deadlines in the approved compliance plan and schedule and failed to request an extension or notify the EPA in a timely manner.

The Addendum included the following requirements:

Action	Deadline Date
Contract with design Engineers	January 30, 2015
Contract with Vendor	February 28, 2015
Engineer and Vendor complete design and obtain DEQ approval	March 31, 2015
Begin re-furbishing of 1 <sup>st</sup> skid	May 31, 2015
1 <sup>st</sup> skid on line, refurbish the second skid	June 30, 2015
Project Completion	July 31, 2015

The District failed to meet the first three deadlines and therefore may be unable to meet the final completion date. Additionally, the District failed to notify the EPA that these deadlines would not met and failed to request a deadline extension in a timely manner. The District has since provided the EPA with a revised Plan and Schedule that is being incorporated into the Order as a Second Addendum. To prevent further violations of the Order, please notify Sienna Meredith of my staff and request an extension of time if the District is unable to meet any of the remaining deadlines according to the

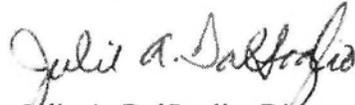
timeframes set forth in the Second Addendum to the Order.

**The EPA is considering additional enforcement action as a result of the District's non-compliance with the Order.** Violating an administrative order may lead to (1) a penalty of up to \$37,500 per day per violation of the order, and/or (2) a court injunction ordering compliance.

If the EPA's information appears incorrect and/or you have any questions, please contact Ms. Meredith at 406-457-5026 or [Mercedith.sicenna@epa.gov](mailto:Mercedith.sicenna@epa.gov).

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Julie A. DalSoglio, Director  
EPA Region 8 Montana Office

cc:

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