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John Chance Houle, Chairman
Chippewa Cree Business Committee
for the Rocky Boy Utilities
P.O. Box 544 – Rocky Boy Route
Box Elder, MT 59521

Re: Emergency Administrative Order
Docket No. SDWA-08-2007-0054
Rocky Boy Utilities
PWS ID #083090075

Dear Chairman Houle:

On May 30, 2007, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued an Emergency Administrative Order (Order) and on June 13, 2007, EPA issued an Addendum to the Order (Addendum) (Docket No. SDWA-08-2007-0054) to the Rocky Boy Utilities (Respondent) under section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 40 U.S.C. § 300i.

This letter serves as EPA's written notification pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 13 of the Order (pages 4, 5, and 10 respectively) that it is no longer necessary for Respondent to provide alternative water, and to also discontinue the public notice as set forth in paragraph 12 of the Order (pages 7-10) and paragraph 4 of the Addendum. This rescission became effective on June 28, 2007, when Melanie Wasco of the EPA Technical Enforcement Program provided oral notice to the Chippewa Cree Tribe, Tribal Water Resource Department to discontinue the public notification requirement. Respondent is still required to comply with the public notification requirements for any future National Primary Drinking Water Regulations per paragraph 12 of the Order (page 7, third sentence).

Additionally, on July 6, 2007, EPA received safe bacteriological results of samples collected on July 2, 2007. Pursuant to paragraph 8 of the Order (page 6) and paragraph 1 of the Addendum, this letter serves as written notification that Respondent shall resume monthly bacteriological sampling according to the sample site plan to determine compliance with the total coliform maximum contaminant level (MCL) set forth in 40 C.F.R. § 141.63. Monthly bacteriological monitoring is effective and shall be implemented as of July 9, 2007. Respondent shall report monthly total coliform sampling results to EPA by telephone and facsimile



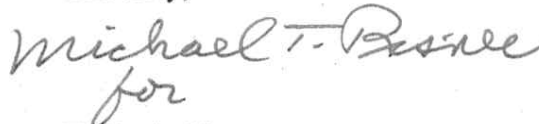
(303-312-7202) immediately upon receiving the laboratory results. On July 9, 2007, Ms. Wasco provided oral notice to the Chippewa Cree Tribe, Tribal Water Resource Department to resume monthly monitoring for total coliform.

Please be advised that Respondent is required to comply with all other provisions of the Order and the Addendum. Penalties for failing to comply are set forth in these documents.

We appreciate your cooperation and your continued communication regarding this matter. EPA is committed to working with you to ensure the safety of Newtown's public water supply. If members of your staff have questions specific to the elements of the Order or any related documents, the most knowledgeable people regarding these issues are Melanie Wasco, Environmental Protection Specialist, who can be reached at (800) 227-8917 ext. 6540, or Michelle Marcu, Enforcement Attorney, who can be reached at (800) 227-8917 ext 6921.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Michael T. Besse in cursive script.

Eddie A. Sierra
Acting Assistant Regional Administrator
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice

cc: Jonathan Eagleman, Manager
Tribal Water Resource Department

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